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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

: I3ArHe50 1.1. Product identifier

Refer to Section 3 for REACH information

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Use of the : Industrial and professional use. Perform risk assessment prior to use.

Substance/Mixture Restrictions on Use

: Not for consumer use.

1.3. Details of the supplier : Air Products Ireland Ltd of the safety data sheet

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Kileen Road Dublin 12 Ireland

Email Address – Technical

Information

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Telephone : 1-4659650

1.4. Emergency

telephone number

: (01) 463 4200 / +353 1 463 4200

#### SECTION 2: Hazards identification

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Gases under pressure -Compressed gas. H280:Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

#### 2.2. Label elements

Hazard pictograms/symbols



Signal Word: Warning

Hazard Statements:

H280:Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

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**Precautionary Statements:** 

Storage : P403:Store in a well-ventilated place.

#### 2.3. Other hazards

Use a back flow preventative device in the piping.

Use only with equipment rated for cylinder pressure.

Close valve after each use and when empty.

Read and follow the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) before use.

High pressure gas.

Can cause rapid suffocation.

Mixture does not meet the criteria for PBT or vPvB according to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, Annex XIII.

#### **Environmental Effects**

Not harmful.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substances : Not applicable.

#### 3.2. Mixtures

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|----------------|---------------------------|------------|---------------|--|
| Components     | EINECS / ELINCS<br>Number | CAS Number | Concentration |  |
|                |                           |            | (Volume)      |  |
| Argon          | 231-147-0                 | 7440-37-1  | 50 %          |  |
| Helium         | 231-168-5                 | 7440-59-7  | 50 %          |  |

| Components | Classification (CLP)     | REACH Reg. # |
|------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Argon      | Press. Gas (Comp.) ;H280 | *1           |
| Helium     | Press. Gas (Comp.) ;H280 | *1           |

<sup>\*1:</sup>Listed in Annex IV / V REACH, exempted from registration.

Concentration is nominal. For the exact product composition, please refer to technical specifications.

#### SECTION 4: First aid measures

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

General advice : Remove victim to uncontaminated area wearing self-contained breathing

apparatus. Keep victim warm and rested. Call a doctor. Apply artificial respiration

if breathing stopped.

Eye contact : In case of direct contact with eyes, seek medical advice.

Skin contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.

Ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

Inhalation : Remove to fresh air. If breathing has stopped or is labored, give assisted

respirations. Supplemental oxygen may be indicated. If the heart has stopped,

trained personnel should begin cardiopulmonary resuscitation immediately. In

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case of shortness of breath, give oxygen.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

: Exposure to oxygen deficient atmosphere may cause the following symptoms: **Symptoms** 

Dizziness. Salivation. Nausea. Vomiting. Loss of mobility/consciousness.

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

: If exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice. Treatment

#### **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : The product itself does not burn.

Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety

reasons.

: Do not use water jet to extinguish.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture : Upon exposure to intense heat or flame, cylinder will vent rapidly and or rupture violently. Product is nonflammable and does not support combustion. Move away from container and cool with water from a protected position. Keep containers and surroundings cool with water spray.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary. Standard protective clothing and equipment (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire fighters. Standard EN 137 - Self-contained open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus with full face mask. Standard EN 469 - Protective clothing for firefighters. Standard - EN 659: Protective gloves for firefighters.

#### SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures : Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus when entering area unless atmosphere is proved to be safe. Monitor oxygen level. Ventilate the area.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Do not discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

: Ventilate the area.

Additional advice

: If possible, stop flow of product. Increase ventilation to the release area and monitor oxygen level. If leak is from cylinder or cylinder valve, call the emergency telephone number. If the leak is in the user's system, close the cylinder valve and safely vent the pressure before attempting repairs.

6.4. Reference to other

: For more information refer to Sections 8 & 13

sections

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

#### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop. Do not allow storage area temperature to exceed 50°C (122°F). Only experienced and properly instructed persons should handle compressed gases/cryogenic liquids. Before using the product, determine its identity by reading the label. Know and understand the properties and hazards of the product before use. When doubt exists as to the correct handling procedure for a particular gas, contact the supplier. Do not remove or deface labels provided by the supplier for the identification of the cylinder contents. When moving cylinders, even for short distances, use a cart (trolley, hand truck, etc.) designed to transport cylinders. Leave valve protection caps in place until the container has been secured against either a wall or bench or placed in a container stand and is ready for use. Use an adjustable strap wrench to remove over-tight or rusted caps. Before connecting the container, check the complete gas system for suitability, particularly for pressure rating and materials. Before connecting the container for use, ensure that back feed from the system into the container is prevented. Ensure the complete gas system is compatible for pressure rating and materials of construction. Ensure the complete gas system has been checked for leaks before use. Employ suitable pressure regulating devices on all containers when the gas is being emitted to systems with lower pressure rating than that of the container. Never insert an object (e.g. wrench, screwdriver, pry bar, etc.) into valve cap openings. Doing so may damage valve, causing a leak to occur. Open valve slowly. If user experiences any difficulty operating cylinder valve discontinue use and contact supplier. Close container valve after each use and when empty, even if still connected to equipment. Never attempt to repair or modify container valves or safety relief devices. Damaged valves should be reported immediately to the supplier. Close valve after each use and when empty. Replace outlet caps or plugs and container caps as soon as container is disconnected from equipment. Do not subject containers to abnormal mechanical shock. Never attempt to lift a cylinder by its valve protection cap or quard. Do not use containers as rollers or supports or for any other purpose than to contain the gas as supplied. Never strike an arc on a compressed gas cylinder or make a cylinder a part of an electrical circuit. Do not smoke while handling product or cylinders. Never re-compress a gas or a gas mixture without first consulting the supplier. Never attempt to transfer gases from one cylinder/container to another. Always use backflow protective device in piping. When returning cylinder install valve outlet cap or plug leak tight. Never use direct flame or electrical heating devices to raise the pressure of a container. Containers should not be subjected to temperatures above 50°C (122°F).

#### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Full containers should be stored so that oldest stock is used first. Containers should be stored in a purpose build compound which should be well ventilated, preferably in the open air. Stored containers should be periodically checked for general condition and leakage. Observe all regulations and local requirements regarding storage of containers. Protect containers stored in the open against rusting and extremes of weather. Containers should not be stored in conditions likely to encourage corrosion. Containers should be stored in the vertical position and properly secured to prevent toppling. The container valves should be tightly closed and where appropriate valve outlets should be capped or plugged. Container valve guards or caps should be in place. Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. Store containers in location free from fire risk and away from sources of heat and ignition. Full and empty cylinders should be segregated. Do not allow storage temperature to exceed 50°C (122°F). Return empty containers in a timely manner.

#### Technical measures/Precautions

Containers should be segregated in the storage area according to the various categories (e.g. flammable, toxic, etc.) and in accordance whit local regulations. Keep away from combustible material.

#### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Refer to section 1 or the extended SDS if applicable.

#### SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

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#### 8.1. Control parameters

If applicable, refer to the extended section of the SDS for further information on CSA.

DNEL: Derived no effect level (Workers)

None available.

PNEC: predicted no effect concentration

None available.

#### 8.2. Exposure controls

Engineering measures

Provide natural or mechanical ventilation to prevent oxygen deficient atmospheres below 19.5% oxygen.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : Self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) or positive pressure airline with mask

are to be used in oxygen-deficient atmosphere.

Air purifying respirators will not provide protection. Users of breathing apparatus

must be trained.

Hand protection : Wear work gloves when handling gas containers.

Standard EN 388 - Protective gloves against mechanical risk.

Eye/face Protection : Safety glasses recommended when handling cylinders.

Standard EN 166 - Personal eye-protection.

Skin and body protection : Safety shoes are recommended when handling cylinders.

Standard EN ISO 20345 - Personal protective equipment - Safety footwear.

: If applicable, refer to the extended section of the SDS for further information on

Special instructions for protection and hygiene

: Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

**Environmental Exposure** 

Controls

CSA.

Remarks

: Simple asphyxiant.

#### SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

(a/b) Physical state/Colour : Compressed gas. Colorless gas

(c) Odour : Mixture contains one or more component(s) which have the following odor: No

odor warning properties.

(d) Density : 0.0009 g/cm3 (0.056 lb/ft3)Note: (as vapor)

(e) Relative Density : 1.2202 (water = 1)

(f) Melting point / freezing point : No data available.

(g) Boiling point/range : -314 °F (-192 °C) (h) Vapor pressure : No data available.

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(i) Water solubility : Not known, but considered to have low solubility.

(j) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water [log Kow] : Not known.

(k) pH : Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.

(I) Viscosity : No reliable data available.

(m) Particle characteristics : Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.

(n) Upper and lower explosion /

flammability limits

: Non flammable.

(o) Flash point : Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.

(p) Autoignition temperature : Non flammable.

(q) Decomposition

temperature Not applicable.

9.2. Other information

Explosive properties : Not applicable.

Oxidizing properties : No data available.

Molecular Weight : 21.96 g/mol

Odor threshold : Odour threshold is subjective and inadequate to warn of overexposure.

Evaporation rate : Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.

Flammability (solid, gas) : Refer to product classification in Section 2

Specific Volume : 17.54 m3/kg (280.99 ft3/lb)

Relative vapor density : 0.76 (air = 1) Lighter or similar to air.

#### SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity : No reactivity hazard other than the effects described in sub-sections below.

10.2. Chemical stability : Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous

reactions

: No data available.

10.4. Conditions to avoid : None under recommended storage and handling conditions (see section 7).

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10.5. Incompatible materials : No data available.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products

should not be produced.

#### SECTION 11: Toxicological information

#### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Likely routes of exposure

Effects on Eye In case of direct contact with eyes, seek medical advice.

Effects on Skin Adverse effects not expected from this product.

Inhalation Effects In high concentrations may cause asphyxiation. Asphyxiation may bring

about unconsciousness without warning and so rapidly that victim may be

unable to protect themselves.

Ingestion Effects Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

**Symptoms** Exposure to oxygen deficient atmosphere may cause the following

symptoms: Dizziness. Salivation. Nausea. Vomiting. Loss of

mobility/consciousness.

Acute toxicity

Acute Oral Toxicity : No data is available on the product itself.

Acute Inhalation Toxicity : No data is available on the product itself.

**Acute Dermal Toxicity** : No data is available on the product itself.

Skin corrosion/irritation : No data available.

Serious eye damage/eye

irritation

: No data available.

Sensitization. : No data available.

Chronic toxicity or effects from long term exposures

Carcinogenicity : No data available.

Reproductive toxicity : No data is available on the product itself.

Germ cell mutagenicity : No data is available on the product itself.

Specific target organ systemic

toxicity (single exposure)

: No data available.

Specific target organ systemic

toxicity (repeated exposure)

: No data available.

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Aspiration hazard : No data available.

## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

#### 12.1. Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity : No data is available on the product itself.

Toxicity to other

organisms

: No data is available on the product itself.

#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

No data available.

#### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Refer to Section 9 "Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)".

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

Because of its high volatility, the product is unlikely to cause ground pollution.

#### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

If applicable, refer to the extended section of the SDS for further information on CSA.

#### 12.6. Other adverse effects

This product has no known eco-toxicological effects.

Effect on the ozone layer : No known effects from this product.

Ozone Depleting Potential : None

Effect on global warming : No known effects from this product.

Global Warming Potential : None

#### SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

# 13.1. Waste treatment methods

: Contact supplier if guidance is required. Return unused product in original cylinder to supplier. Refer to the EIGA code of practice Doc. 30 "Disposal of Gases", downloadable at http://www.eiga.org for more guidance on suitable disposal methods. List of hazardous waste codes: 16 05 05: Gases in pressure

containers other than those mentioned in 16 05 04.

Contaminated packaging : Return cylinder to supplier.

#### **SECTION 14: Transport information**

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14.1. UN number

UN/ID No. : UN1956

14.2. UN proper shipping name

Transport by road/rail (ADR/RID) : COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S., (Argon, Helium)
Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR) : Compressed gas, n.o.s., (Argon, Helium)
Transport by sea (IMDG) : COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S., (Argon, Helium)

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Label(s) : 2.2

Transport by road/rail (ADR/RID)

Class or Division : 2 ADR/RID Hazard ID no. : 20 Tunnel Code : (E)

Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)

Class or Division : 2.2

Transport by sea (IMDG)

Class or Division : 2.2

14.4. Packing group

Transport by road/rail (ADR/RID) : Not applicable.
Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR) : Not applicable.
Transport by sea (IMDG) : Not applicable.

14.5. Environmental hazards

Transport by road/rail (ADR/RID)

Marine Pollutant : No

Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)

Marine Pollutant : No

Transport by sea (IMDG)

Marine Pollutant : No Segregation Group : None

14.6. Special precautions for user

Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)

Passenger and Cargo Aircraft : Transport allowed Cargo Aircraft only : Transport allowed

**Further Information** 

Avoid transport on vehicles where the load space is not separated from the driver's compartment. Ensure vehicle driver is aware of the potential hazards of the load and knows what to do in the event of an accident or an emergency. The transportation information is not intended to convey all specific regulatory data relating to this material. For complete transportation information, contact customer service.

# 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of Marpol and the IBC Code Not applicable.

#### **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

#### 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

| Country     | Regulatory list | Notification           |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| USA         | TSCA            | Included on Inventory. |
| EU          | EINECS          | Included on Inventory. |
| Canada      | DSL             | Included on Inventory. |
| Australia   | AICS            | Included on Inventory. |
| South Korea | ECL             | Included on Inventory. |
| China       | SEPA            | Included on Inventory. |
| Philippines | PICCS           | Included on Inventory. |
| Japan       | ENCS            | Included on Inventory. |

#### Other Regulations

REGULATION (EC) No 1907/2006 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2015/830 of 28 May 2015 amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH).

Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006.

#### 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A CSA does not need to be carried out for this product.

#### **SECTION 16: Other information**

Ensure all national/local regulations are observed.

#### Hazard Statements:

H280 Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

#### Indication of Method:

Gases under pressure Compressed gas. Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated. Calculation method

Abbreviations and acronyms:

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ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate

CLP - Classification Labelling Packaging Regulation; Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

REACH - Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006

EINECS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

ELINCS - European List of Notified Chemical Substances

CAS# - Chemical Abstract Service number

PPE - Personal Protection Equipment

Kow - octanol-water partition coefficient

DNEL - Derived No Effect Level

LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population

LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose)

NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration

PNEC - Predicted No Effect Concentration

RMM - Risk Management Measure

OEL - Occupational Exposure Limit

PBT - Persistent. Bioaccumulative and Toxic

vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

STOT - Specific Target Organ Toxicity

CSA - Chemical Safety Assessment

EN - European Standard

**UN - United Nations** 

ADR - European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

IATA - International Air Transport Association

IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods

RID - Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail

WGK - Water Hazard Class

Key literature references and sources for data:

ECHA - Guidance on the compilation of safety data sheets

ECHA - Guidance on the application of the CLP Criteria

ARIEL database

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For additional information, please visit our Product Stewardship web site at http://www.airproducts.com/productstewardship/

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