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SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE OR MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

1.1 Product identifier:

Substance name: Calcium dihydroxide

Synonyms: Hydrated lime, hydrated high-calcium lime, slaked lime, calcium dihydroxide

Chemical name and formula: Calcium dihydroxide – $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$

Trade name: FELS CabioBac WKH

CAS no.: 1305-62-0

EC no.: 215-137-3

Molecular mass: 74.09 g/mol

REACH registration number: 01-2119475151-45-0046

Biocidal product authorization no.: DE-0019917-00-0000-02-03

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

Uses of the substance:

The following list is not exhaustive:

Agriculture PC12, biocidal applications (PT2, PT3) PC8, epidemic hygiene, organic waste bins, environmental protection (wastewater treatment, sewage sludge treatment, water treatment), production of milk of lime.

1.3 Details of the supplier of the Product Safety Data Sheet

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Manufacturer's information number: +49(0) 39454 58 215

Availability outside office hours: No

SECTION 2: POTENTIAL HAZARDS

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

2.1.1 Classification according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008

Skin Irrit. 2; H315
Eye Dam. 1; H318
STOT SE 3; H335; exposure pathway inhalation

2.1.2 Additional information

See section 16 for full text of hazard and risk phrases.

2.2 Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 (CLP)

Hazard pictograms:



Signal word: Danger

Hazard statements:

H315: Causes skin irritation
H318: Causes serious eye damage
H335: May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statements:

P102: Keep out of reach of children.
P280: Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P305+P351+P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P302+P352: IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.
P310: Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician.
P261: Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
P304+P340: IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P501: Dispose of contents/container in accordance with national regulations.

2.3 Other hazards

Other hazards are not known.
Calcium dihydroxide does not meet the criteria for PBT or vPvB substances.

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The substance exhibits no endocrine disrupting properties and has not been added to the list of substances having endocrine disrupting properties in accordance with Article 59 of Regulation (EC) 1907/2006.

Calcium dihydroxide exhibits no endocrine disrupting or endocrine disruptive properties in accordance with the criteria of Delegated Regulation (EC) 2017/2100 or Regulation (EC) 2018/605.

SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

Ingredients classified in accordance with Regulation (EC) 1272/2008:

CAS number	EG number	REACH registration number	Substance name	Weight % content (or range)	Classification according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 [CLP]
1305-62-0	215-137-3	01-2119475151-45-0046	Calcium dihydroxide	≥ 80%	<i>Skin Irrit. 2; H315 Eye Dam. 1; H318 STOT SE 3; H335</i>

Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC), published in accordance with Article 59 of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006, are not contained at a concentration greater than 0.1 mass percent.

SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice

No known delayed effects. Consult a physician for all exposures except for minor instances.

Following inhalation

Move source of dust or move person to fresh air. Obtain medical attention immediately.

Following skin contact

Carefully and gently wipe the contaminated skin areas in order to remove all traces of product. Wash affected area immediately with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing. If necessary seek medical advice.

Following eye contact

Rinse eyes immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

After ingestion

Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Do NOT induce vomiting. Obtain medical attention.

Self-protection for first-aiders

Avoid contact with the skin, eyes and clothing; wear appropriate personal protective equipment (see subsection 8.2.2); avoid inhaling dust; ensure sufficient ventilation or wear appropriate respiratory protection.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Calcium dihydroxide is not acutely toxic via the oral, dermal, or inhalation route. The substance is classified as irritating to the skin and to the respiratory system. There is a risk of serious damage to the eyes. There is no concern regarding adverse systemic effects because the pH-effect represents the primary health hazard.

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Follow the advice given in section 4.1.

SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media

5.1.1 Suitable extinguishing media

The substance is not flammable. Use a dry powder, foam or CO₂ fire extinguisher to extinguish surrounding fires.

Use extinguishing measures appropriate to the local circumstances.

5.1.2 Unsuitable extinguishing media

Do not use water.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

None

5.3 Advice for fire fighters

Avoid generation of dust. Use extinguishing measures appropriate to the local circumstances. Use self-contained breathing apparatus.

SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

6.1.1 For non-emergency personnel

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Keep dust levels to a minimum.

Keep unprotected persons away.

Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing – wear suitable protective equipment (see section 8).

Avoid inhalation of dust, ensure that sufficient ventilation or suitable respiratory protective equipment is used (see section 8).

6.1.2 For emergency responders

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Keep dust levels to a minimum.

Keep unprotected persons away.

Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing – wear suitable protective equipment (see section 8).

Avoid inhalation of dust, ensure that sufficient ventilation or suitable respiratory protective equipment is used (see section 8).

6.2 Environmental precautions

Contain any spillage.

Keep the material dry if possible.

Cover area if possible to avoid unnecessary dust hazard.

Avoid uncontrolled spills to watercourses and drains (pH increase).

Any large spillage into watercourses or drains must be reported to the competent authority.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

In all cases avoid dust formation.

Keep the material dry if possible.

Pick up the (dry) product mechanically.

Use vacuum suction unit or shovel into bags.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For more information on exposure control, personal protection and disposal, please see sections 8 and 13 of this product safety data sheet and its Appendix.

SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

7.1.1 General recommendations

Avoid contact with the skin and eyes. Wear protective clothing (see section 8). Do not wear contact lenses. A portable eye rinse bottle is recommended. Minimise dust generation. Keep dust levels to a minimum. Dust sources should be sealed, turn on extractor. Filler systems should be sealed. When handling sacks the safety instructions must be observed in accordance with Regulation 90/269/EEC.

7.1.2 Notes on general hygiene measures in the workplace

Avoid inhalation, ingestion and contact with the skin and eyes. Do not eat, drink or smoke in the workplace. Shower and change your clothes at the end of your shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing outside the workplace. General hygiene measures in the workplace necessitate appropriate organisational measures such as regular cleaning of the workplace with suitable cleaning equipment.

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7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store under dry conditions. Minimise contact with air and moisture. Bulk storage should be in suitable silos. Keep away from acids. Keep out of reach of children. Aluminium is not suitable for transportation or storage if there is a risk of contact with water.

7.3 Specific end uses

The identified uses set forth in Table 1 in the Appendix to this Product Safety Data Sheet shall be observed.

Further information can be found in the exposure scenarios in the Appendix.

SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

DNEL Calcium dihydroxide:

	Employee			
Exposure path	Acute local effect	Acute systemic effect	Chronic local effect	Chronic systemic effect
Oral	Not applicable			
Inhalation	4 mg/m ³ (respirable dust)	No harmful effects known	1 mg/m ³ (respirable dust)	No harmful effects known
Dermal	Harmful effects known, but no DNEL available	No harmful effects known	Harmful effects known, but no DNEL available	No harmful effects known

	Consumer			
Exposure path	Acute local effect	Acute systemic effect	Chronic local effect	Chronic systemic effect
Oral	No exposure expected	No harmful effects known	No exposure expected	No harmful effects known
Inhalation	4 mg/m ³ (respirable dust)	No harmful effects known	1 mg/m ³ (respirable dust)	No harmful effects known
Dermal	Harmful effects known, but no DNEL available	No harmful effects known	Harmful effects known, but no DNEL available	No harmful effects known

PNEC Calcium dihydroxide:

Environmental protection target	PNEC	Remarks
Fresh water	0.49 mg/l	
Freshwater sediments	No PNEC available	Insufficient data available
Sea water	0.32 mg/l	

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Sea water sediments	No PNEC available	Insufficient data available
Food (bioaccumulation)	No harmful effects known	No potential for bioaccumulation
Microorganisms sewage sludge treatment	3 mg/l	
Soil (agricultural)	1080 mg/kg soil/dry weight	
Air	No harmful effects known	

Occupational exposure limits (Europe):

CAS no.:	Limiting values type	Time-weighted average (mg/m³)		Brief exposure (mg/m³)		Origin
Calcium dihydroxide						
1305-62-0	Indicative occupational exposure limit value	8 h	1 (A)	15 min	4 (A)	Directive (EU) 2017/164
1305-62-0	AEC Inhalation		0,3 (E)			Reference value for biocidal applications ref. SPC

A = respirable dust fraction

E = inhalable dust fraction

National occupational exposure limit (Germany):

CAS no.:	Type of assessment value	Assessment value (mg/m³)		Peak limit Fact. (Cat.) short-term value	Origin	Monitoring procedure, e.g.
Calcium dihydroxide						
1305-62-0	Occupational exposure limit	8 h	1 (E)	2 (I) 15 min	TRGS 900	TRGS 402
General dust threshold (not substance specific)						
	Occupational exposure limit	8 h	1.25 (A) 10 (E)	2 (II) 15 min	TRGS 900	TRGS 402

A = respirable dust fraction

E = inhalable dust fraction

8.2 Limitation and control of exposure

Dust generation should be avoided. Furthermore, appropriate protective equipment is recommended. Eye protection (e.g. protective goggles or visor) must be worn unless potential contact with the eye can be excluded by the nature and type of application (e.g. process enclosures). If necessary, face protection, protective clothing and safety shoes shall be worn.

In addition to the recommendations given here, general and application-specific risk mitigation measures must be strictly observed when using biocidal products; see the label/instructions for use of the biocidal product.

8.2.1 Appropriate engineering controls

If operations generate dust, process enclosures, sufficient local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls must be available to keep airborne dust levels below recommended exposure limits.

8.2.2 Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

8.2.2.1 Eye/face protection

Do not wear contact lenses. For powders, tight fitting goggles with side shields or wide vision full goggles in accordance with DIN EN 166:2002 to at least optical Class 2, mechanical strength F must be worn. A portable eye rinse bottle is recommended.

8.2.2.2 Skin protection

The substance is classified as irritating to skin. Dermal exposure must therefore be minimised as far as technically feasible. Protective gloves made of nitrile (NBR) in accordance with DIN EN ISO 374-1:2018/Type A or B (test chemical K, thickness at least 0.2 mm), standard protective working clothes which fully cover the skin, full length trousers, long-sleeved overalls with close-fitting cuffs at the openings, together with shoes that are resistant to caustics and dust penetration shall be worn.

8.2.2.3 Respiratory protection

Local ventilation is recommended to keep dust exposure below the established threshold values. If there is a risk of exceeding the threshold values, e.g. when handling the powder form of the opened dry product, then a suitable particulate filter mask in accordance with EN 149 shall be worn, depending on the expected exposure levels (low dust level: FFP1 mask; medium dust level: FFP2 mask; high dust level: FFP3 mask).

Details regarding respiratory protection can be found in the applicable exposure scenario in the Appendix.

8.2.2.4 Thermal hazards

There are no thermal hazards if handled properly.

8.2.3 Environmental exposure limitation and control

Exhaust air from the ventilation system should be filtered before discharge to the atmosphere. Avoid releasing to the environment.

Contain any spillage. Uncontrolled spillage into watercourses must be reported to the competent authority.

The relevant exposure scenarios in the Appendix contain detailed notes on the risk management measures.

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SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

- a) Physical state: solid, powder
- b) Colour: white to beige
- c) Odour: odourless
- d) Melting/freezing point: > 450°C (study result, EU A.1 method)
- e) Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range: not applicable (solid with a melting point > 450°C)
- f) Flammability: non-flammable (study result EU A.10 method)
- g) Lower and upper explosive limit: not applicable to solids
- h) Flash point: not applicable (solid with a melting point > 450°C)
- i) Auto-ignition temperature: no relative auto-ignition temperature below > 400°C (study result, EU A.16 method).
- j) Decomposition temperature: > 450°C
- k) pH value: 12.4 (saturated solution at 20°C)
- l) Kinematic viscosity: not applicable (solid with a melting point > 450°C)
- m) Solubility in water: 1844.9 mg/L (study result, EU A.6 method)
- n) Distribution coefficient – n-octanol-water (log-value): not applicable
- o) Vapour pressure: not applicable (solid with a melting point > 450°C)
- p) Density and/or relative density: 2.24 g/L (study result, EU A.3 method)
- q) Relative vapour density: not applicable
- r) Particle properties:

Product	Median value	Calculation of the median value	Measurement method	Deviation +/-
CabioBac WKH	3.2 µm	$Md = \begin{cases} x_{(\frac{n+1}{2})} & \text{falls } n \text{ UNGERADE} \\ (x_{(\frac{n}{2})} + x_{(\frac{n}{2}+1)}) : 2 & \text{falls } n \text{ GERADE} \end{cases}$	Laser granulometer ISO 13320:2020	0.5 µm

Key:

falls n UNGERADE	if n = ODD
falls n GERADE	if n = EVEN

9.2 Other information

Based on the current state of knowledge, the product is not defined as a nanomaterial pursuant to Recommendation 2011/696 EU.

SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity

In aqueous media the calcium dihydroxide constituent dissociates (below the water solubility threshold) to form calcium cations and hydroxyl anions.

10.2 Chemical stability

Calcium dihydroxide is stable under normal handling and storage conditions (dry).

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Calcium dihydroxide reacts exothermically with acids. When heated above 450°C, calcium dihydroxide decomposes to produce calcium oxide (CaO) and water (H₂O): $\text{Ca(OH)}_2 \rightarrow \text{CaO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$. Calcium oxide reacts with water and generates heat (risk to flammable materials).

10.4 Conditions to avoid

Prevent the ingress of air and moisture to prevent decomposition.

10.5 Incompatible materials

Calcium dihydroxide reacts exothermically with acids to form salts.
Calcium dihydroxide reacts under moist conditions with aluminium and brass forming hydrogen. $\text{Ca(OH)}_2 + 2 \text{Al} + 6 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{Ca(Al(OH)}_4)_2 + 3 \text{H}_2$, containers and packaging made of these materials may not be used.

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

None.

Disclaimer: Calcium dihydroxide reacts with carbon dioxide to form calcium carbonate, which is a natural product.

SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on hazard classes within the meaning of Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008

a) Acute toxicity

Oral LD₅₀ > 2000 mg/kg body weight (calcium dihydroxide, OECD 425, rat)
Dermal LD₅₀ > 2500 mg/kg body weight (calcium dihydroxide, OECD 402, rabbit)
Inhalation No data available
Calcium dihydroxide is not acutely toxic.

b) Skin corrosion/irritation

Calcium dihydroxide is irritating to the skin (in vivo, rabbit).
Calcium dihydroxide is not corrosive to skin (in vitro, OECD 431).

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c) Serious eye damage/irritation

Calcium dihydroxide carries the risk of serious eye damage (in vivo, rabbit).

d) Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available. Calcium dihydroxide is not classified as sensitizing because of its mechanism of action (change in pH) and the importance of calcium in the human diet.

e) Germ cell mutagenicity

Calcium dihydroxide is not genotoxic (in vitro, OECD 471, 473 and 476).
Considering the omnipresence and essentiality of calcium and the physiological non-relevance of any pH shift induced by lime in aqueous media, calcium dihydroxide is clearly has no genotoxic potential.

f) Carcinogenicity

Calcium (administered as Ca-lactate) is not carcinogenic (test result, rat).
The pH effect of calcium dihydroxide does not cause a carcinogenic risk.
Human epidemiological data support the lack of carcinogenic potential of calcium dihydroxide.

g) Reproductive toxicity

Calcium (administered as Ca-carbonate) is not toxic to reproduction (test result, mouse). The pH effect does not cause any risk to reproduction. Human epidemiological data show that there is no potential for the reproductive toxicity of calcium dihydroxide.
No effects on reproduction or development were found in animal experiments or human clinical trials on various calcium salts. Therefore, calcium dihydroxide is not toxic to reproduction and/or development.

h) STOT-single exposure

It is concluded from human data that calcium dihydroxide is irritating to the respiratory tract. Based on human data as summarised and evaluated in the SCOEL recommendation (anonymous, 2008) calcium dihydroxide is classified as irritating to the respiratory system.

i) STOT-repeated exposure

The toxicity of calcium via the oral route has been taken into consideration. For adults, the tolerable upper intake level (UL) for the daily intake of calcium (as determined by the Scientific Center on Food (SCF)) is: UL=2,500 mg/day, corresponding to 36 mg/kg body weight/day (70 kg person).

The toxicity of Ca(OH)_2 via dermal absorption is not considered relevant because significant absorption is not anticipated and local skin irritation has been determined as the primary local effect.

The toxicity of Ca(OH)_2 via inhalation was determined by the 8 hour

TWA value reported by the Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL) as 1 mg/m³ respirable dust (cf. section 8.1).

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j) *Aspiration hazard*

It is not known whether an aspiration hazard exists when handling $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$.

11.2 *Information on other hazards*

11.2.1. *Endocrine disrupting properties*

Taking into consideration the criteria pursuant to Regulations (EC) 1907/2006, (EU) 2017/2100 and (EU) 2018/605 no endocrine disrupting properties of calcium dihydroxide that affect human health are known.

11.2.2. *Other information*

Not applicable.

SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 *Toxicity*

12.1.1 *Acute/long-term toxicity to fish*

LC50 (96h) for freshwater fish: 50.6 mg/l calcium dihydroxide

LC50 (96h) for sea fish: 457 mg/l calcium dihydroxide

12.1.2 *Acute/long-term toxicity to aquatic invertebrates*

EC50 (48h) for freshwater invertebrates: 49.1 mg/l calcium dihydroxide

LC50 (96h) for seawater invertebrates: 158 mg/l calcium dihydroxide

12.1.3 *Acute/long-term toxicity to aquatic plants*

EC50 (72h) for freshwater algae: 184.57 mg/l calcium dihydroxide

NOEC (72h) for freshwater algae: 48 mg/l calcium dihydroxide

12.1.4 *Toxicity to micro-organisms e.g. bacteria*

At high concentrations calcium dihydroxide causes an increase in the pH value. This is used for the purification of sewage sludge.

12.1.5 *Chronic toxicity to aquatic organisms*

NOEC (14d) for seawater invertebrates: 32 mg/l calcium dihydroxide

12.1.6 *Toxicity to soil dwelling organisms*

EC10/LC10 or NOEC for soil macroorganisms: 2000 mg calcium dihydroxide/kg soil dry weight

EC10/LC10 or NOEC for soil microorganisms: 12000 mg calcium dihydroxide/kg soil dry weight

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12.1.7 Toxicity to terrestrial plants

NOEC (21d) for terrestrial plants: 1080 mg/kg calcium dihydroxide

12.1.8 General impact

Acute pH-effect. Although Calcium dihydroxide can be used to neutralize over-acidified water, a concentration in excess of 1 g/l may be harmful to aquatic life. A pH value of > 12 will rapidly decrease due to dilution and carbonation.

12.2 Persistence and degradability

Not applicable to inorganic substances.

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Not applicable to inorganic substances.

12.4 Mobility in soil

Calcium dihydroxide is hardly soluble and exhibits only low mobility in most soils.

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Not applicable to inorganic substances.

12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

Taking into consideration the criteria pursuant to Regulations (EC) 1907/2006, (EU) 2017/2100 and (EU) 2018/605 no endocrine disrupting properties of calcium dihydroxide that affect the environment are known.

12.7 Other adverse effects

In accordance with the European regulations for the classification and labelling of substances, classification as hazardous to the environment is not necessary.

SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Calcium dihydroxide and containers/packaging that were used for transport/storage shall be disposed of in accordance with national and regional legislation.
Waste code according to the European Waste Catalogue: 10 13 04 (waste from calcination and hydration of lime).

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Unused residual amounts of product:

Pick up dry, store in labelled containers and re-use if possible, taking into account the maximum storage time.

Moist products and product slurry:

Do not allow moist products and product slurry to enter sewers or watercourses.

Packaging:

Completely empty packaging and recycle (Interseroh). Otherwise dispose of completely empty packaging depending on packaging type according to the European Waste Catalogue, e.g. 15 01 01 (waste paper and cardboard packaging) or 15 01 05 (composite packaging).

SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

The substance is not classified as hazardous for transport (ADR (Road), RID (Rail), ADN (Inland waterways), IMDG (Sea), and ICAO/IATA (Air)).

14.1 UN number or ID number

Not applicable.

14.2 UN proper shipping name

Not applicable.

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

Not applicable.

14.4 Packing group

Not applicable.

14.5 Environmental hazards

None

14.6 Special precautions for user

Avoid dust generation during transport.

14.7 Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable.

SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

REACH authorisation: None

REACH restrictions on use: None

EU regulations:

Fels CabioBac WKH is a biocidal product according to Regulation (EU) 528/2012.

The authorization and SPC must be observed.

Calcium dihydroxide is not a substance defined in Directive 96/82/EC ("SEVESO"), is not an ozone depleting substance and is not a persistent organic pollutant.

National regulations Germany:

Water hazard class: WGK 1 (slightly hazardous for water)

Classification according to the AwSV.

Storage class: Storage class 13 according to TRGS 510 (non-flammable solids)

15.2 Chemical safety assessment

A chemical safety assessment has been carried out for calcium dihydroxide in line with the REACH registration.

SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

All data are based on the current level of knowledge. However, this product safety data sheet expressly does not constitute a guarantee of any specific product characteristics.

16.1 Classifications and hazard statements

Skin Irrit. 2; H315 – Skin irritant category 2; Causes skin irritation.

Eye Dam. 1; H318 - Irreversible effects on the eyes category 1; Causes serious eye damage.

STOT SE 3; H335 – Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) category 3; May cause respiratory irritation.

16.2 Precautionary statements:

P102: Keep out of reach of children.

P280: Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P305+P351+P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P302+P352: IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.

P310: Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/...

P261: Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray

P304+P340: IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

P501: Dispose of contents/container to ...

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16.3 Abbreviations:

AwSV	German Ordinance on Facilities Handling Substances that are Hazardous to Water
AEC _{Inhalation}	Acceptable Exposure Concentration, inhalative
EC ₅₀ :	Median effective concentration
LC ₅₀ :	Median lethal concentration
LD ₅₀ :	Median lethal dose
NOEC:	No observed effect concentration
OEL:	Occupational exposure limit
DNEL:	Derived no-effect level
PBT:	Persistent, bioaccumulative, toxic chemical
PNEC:	Predicted no-effect concentration
STEL:	Short-term exposure limit
TRGS 402	Technical Rule for Hazardous Substances 402 – Identification and assessment of the risks from activities involving hazardous substances: Inhalation exposure
TRGS 510	Technical Rule for Hazardous Substances 510 – Storage of hazardous substances in non-stationary containers
TRGS 900	Technical Rule for Hazardous Substances 900 – Occupational exposure limits
TWA:	Time weighted average
vPvB:	Very persistent, very bioaccumulative chemical

16.4 Key literature references:

Anonymous, 2006: Tolerable upper intake levels for vitamins and minerals, Scientific Committee on Food, European Food Safety Authority, ISBN: 92-9199-014-0 [SCF document]
Anonymous, 2008: Recommendation from the Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL) for calcium oxide (CaO) and calcium dihydroxide (Ca(OH)₂), European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, SCOEL/SUM/137 February 2008

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16.5 Revision

The following sections have been revised:

- 1.1 Product identifier (Biocidal product authorization no. changed)
- 8.1 Control parameters
- 8.2 Limitation and control of exposure
- 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
- 16.3 Abbreviations

Added SRC Logo

Disclaimer:

The information provided in this safety data sheet (SDS) is based on the issuer's current state of knowledge in relation to the safety requirements of the substance. It is expressly noted that the information does not contain a description of the nature of the product and does not constitute a guarantee of characteristics.

APPENDIX with exposure scenarios 9.1, 9.4, 9.6, 9.9, 9.10, 9.14

1. APPENDIX: EXPOSURE SCENARIOS

The current document includes all relevant occupational and environmental exposure scenarios (ES) for the production and use of calcium dihydroxide as required under the REACH Regulation (Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006). For the development of the ES the Regulation and the relevant REACH Guidance have been considered. For the description of the covered uses and processes, the "R.12 – Use descriptor system" guidance (Version: 2, March 2010, ECHA-2010-G-05-EN), for the description and implementation of risk management measures (RMM) the "R.13 – Risk management measures" guidance (Version: 1.1, May 2008), for the occupational exposure estimation the "R.14 – Occupational exposure estimation" guidance (Version: 2, May 2010, ECHA-2010-G-09-EN) and for the actual environmental exposure assessment the "R.16 – Environmental Exposure Assessment" (Version: 2, May 2010, ECHA-10-G-06-EN) was used.

Methodology used for environmental exposure assessment

The environmental exposure scenarios only address the assessment at the local scale, including municipal sewage treatment plants (STPs) or industrial waste water treatment plants (WWTPs) when applicable, for industrial and professional uses as any effects that might occur is expected to take place on a local scale.

1) Industrial uses (local scale)

The exposure and risk assessment is only relevant for the aquatic environment, when applicable including STPs/WWTPs, as emissions in the industrial stages mainly apply to (waste) water. The aquatic effect and risk assessment only deal with the effect on organisms/ecosystems due to possible pH changes related to OH⁻ discharges. The exposure assessment for the aquatic environment only deals with the possible pH changes in STP effluent and surface water related to the OH⁻ discharges at the local scale and is performed by assessing the resulting pH impact: the surface water pH should not increase above 9 (In general, most aquatic organisms can tolerate pH values in the range of 6-9).

Risk management measures related to the environment aim to avoid discharging calcium dihydroxide solutions into municipal wastewater or to surface water, in case such discharges are expected to cause significant pH changes. Regular control of the pH value during introduction into open waters is required. Discharges should be carried out such that pH changes in receiving surface waters are minimised. The effluent pH is normally measured and can be neutralised easily, as often required by national laws.

2) Professional uses (local scale)

The exposure and risk assessment is only relevant for the aquatic and terrestrial environment. The aquatic effect and risk assessment is determined by the pH effect. Nevertheless, the classical risk characterisation ratio (RCR), based on PEC (predicted environmental concentration) and PNEC (predicted no effect concentration) is calculated. The professional uses on a local scale refer to applications on agricultural or urban soil. The environmental exposure is assessed based on data and a modelling tool. The modelling FOCUS/ Exposit tool is used to assess terrestrial and aquatic exposure (typically conceived for biocidal applications).

Details and scaling approach indications are reported in the specific scenarios.

Methodology used for occupational exposure assessment

By definition an exposure scenario (ES) has to describe under which operational conditions (OC) and risk management measure (RMMs) the substance can be handled safely. This is demonstrated if the estimated exposure level is below the respective derived no-effect level (DNEL), which is expressed in the risk characterisation ratio (RCR). For workers, the repeated dose DNEL for inhalation as well as the acute DNEL for inhalation are based on the respective recommendations of the scientific committee on occupational exposure limits (SCOEL) being 1 mg/m³ and 4 mg/m³, respectively.

In cases where neither measured data nor analogous data are available, human exposure is assessed with the aid of a modelling tool. At the first tier screening level, the MEASE tool

(<http://www.ebrc.de/mease.html>) is used to assess inhalation exposure according to the ECHA guidance (R.14).

Since the SCOEL recommendation refers to respirable dust while the exposure estimates in MEASE reflect the inhalable fraction, an additional safety margin is inherently included in the exposure scenarios below when MEASE has been used to derive exposure estimates.

Methodology used for consumer exposure assessment

By definition an ES has to describe under which conditions the substances, preparation or articles can be handled safely. In cases where neither measured data nor analogous data are available, exposure is assessed with the aid of a modelling tool.

For consumers, the repeated dose DNEL for inhalation as well as the acute DNEL for inhalation are based on the respective recommendations of the Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL), being 1 mg/m³ and 4 mg/m³, respectively.

For inhalation exposure to powders the data, derived from van Hemmen (van Hemmen, 1992: Agricultural pesticide exposure data bases for risk assessment. Rev Environ Contam Toxicol. 126: 1-85.), has been used to calculate the inhalation exposure. The inhalation exposure for consumers is estimated at 15 µg/hr or 0.25 µg/min. For larger tasks the inhalation exposure is expected to be higher. A factor of 10 is suggested when the product amount exceeds 2.5 kg, resulting in the inhalation exposure of 150 µg/hr. To convert these values in mg/m³ a default value of 1.25 m³/hr for the breathing volume under light working conditions will be assumed (van Hemmen, 1992) giving 12 µg/m³ for small tasks and 120 µg/m³ for larger tasks.

When the preparation or substance is applied in granular form or as tablets, reduced exposure to dust was assumed. To take this into account if data about particle size distribution and attrition of the granule are lacking, the model for powder formulations is used, assuming a reduction in dust formation by 10 % according to Becks and Falks (Manual for the authorisation of pesticides. Plant protection products. Chapter 4 Human toxicology; risk operator, worker and bystander, version 1.0., 2006).

For dermal exposure and exposure to the eye a qualitative approach has been followed, as no DNEL could be derived for this route due to the irritating properties of calcium oxide. Oral exposure was not assessed as this is not a foreseeable route of exposure regarding the uses addressed.

Since the SCOEL recommendation refers to respirable dust while the exposure estimates by the model from van Hemmen reflect the inhalable fraction, an additional safety margin is inherently included in the exposure scenarios below, i.e. the exposure estimates are very conservative.

The exposure assessment of calcium dihydroxide professional and industrial and consumer use is performed and organized based on several scenarios. An overview of the scenarios and the coverage of substance life cycle is presented in Table 1

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Table 1: Overview on exposure scenarios and coverage of substance life cycle

ES number	Exposure scenario title	Manufacture	Identified uses			Resulting life cycle stage	Linked to Identified Use	Sector of use category (SU)	Chemical Product Category (PC)	Process category (PROC)	Article category (AC)	Environmental release category (ERC)
			Formulation	End use	Consumer							
9.1	Manufacture and industrial uses of aqueous solutions of lime substances	X	X	X		X	1	3; 1, 2a, 2b, 4, 5, 6a, 6b, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9a, 9b, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6a, 6b, 6c, 6d, 7, 12a, 12b, 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b
9.4	Manufacture and industrial uses of high dusty solids/powders of lime substances	X	X	X		X	4	3; 1, 2a, 2b, 4, 5, 6a, 6b, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9a, 9b, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27a, 27b	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6a, 6b, 6c, 6d, 7, 12a, 12b, 10a, 11a
9.6	Professional uses of aqueous solutions of lime substances		X	X		X	6	22; 1, 5, 6a, 6b, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9a, 9b, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40	2, 3, 4, 5, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13	2, 8a, 8b, 8c, 8d, 8e, 8f
9.9	Professional uses of high dusty solids/powders of lime substances		X	X		X	9	22; 1, 5, 6a, 6b, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9a, 9b, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40	2, 3, 4, 5, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 26	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13	2, 8a, 8b, 8c, 8d, 8e, 8f

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ES number	Exposure scenario title	Manufacture	Identified uses			Resulting life cycle stage Service life (for articles)	Linked to Identified Use	Sector of use category (SU)	Chemical Product Category (PC)	Process category (PROC)	Article category (AC)	Environmental release category (ERC)
			Formulation	End use	Consumer							
9.10	Professional use of lime substances in soil treatment		X	X			10 22		9b	5, 8b, 11, 26		2, 8a, 8b, 8c, 8d, 8e, 8f
9.14	Consumer use of garden lime/fertilizer				X		14 21		20, 12			8e

ES number 9.1: Manufacture and industrial uses of aqueous solutions of lime substances

Exposure Scenario Format (1) addressing uses carried out by workers		
1. Title		
Free short title	Manufacture and industrial uses of aqueous solutions of lime substances	
Systematic title based on use descriptor	SU3, SU1, SU2a, SU2b, SU4, SU5, SU6a, SU6b, SU7, SU8, SU9, SU10, SU11, SU12, SU13, SU14, SU15, SU16, SU17, SU18, SU19, SU20, SU23, SU24 PC1, PC2, PC3, PC7, PC8, PC9a, PC9b, PC11, PC12, PC13, PC14, PC15, PC16, PC17, PC18, PC19, PC20, PC21, PC23, PC24, PC25, PC26, PC27, PC28, PC29, PC30, PC31, PC32, PC33, PC34, PC35, PC36, PC37, PC38, PC39, PC40 AC1, AC2, AC3, AC4, AC5, AC6, AC7, AC8, AC10, AC11, AC13 (appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in Section 2 below)	
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processes, tasks and/or activities covered are described in Section 2 below.	
Assessment Method	The assessment of inhalation exposure is based on the exposure estimation tool MEASE.	
2. Operational conditions and risk management measures		
PROC/ERC	REACH definition	Involved tasks
PROC 1	Use in closed process, no likelihood of exposure	Further information is provided in the ECHA Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.12: Use descriptor system (ECHA-2010-G-05-EN).
PROC 2	Use in closed, continuous process with occasional controlled exposure	
PROC 3	Use in closed batch process (synthesis or formulation)	
PROC 4	Use in batch and other process (synthesis) where opportunity for exposure arises	
PROC 5	Mixing or blending in batch processes for formulation of preparations and articles (multistage and/or significant contact)	
PROC 7	Industrial spraying	
PROC 8a	Transfer of substance or preparation (charging/discharging) from/to vessels/large containers at non-dedicated facilities	
PROC 8b	Transfer of substance or preparation (charging/ discharging) from/to vessels/large containers at dedicated facilities	
PROC 9	Transfer of substance or preparation into small containers (dedicated filling line, including weighing)	
PROC 10	Roller application or brushing	
PROC 12	Use of blowing agents in manufacture of foam	
PROC 13	Treatment of articles by dipping and pouring	
PROC 14	Production of preparations or articles by tableting, compression, extrusion, pelletisation	
PROC 15	Use as laboratory reagent	
PROC 16	Using material as fuel sources, limited exposure to unburned product to be expected	
PROC 17	Lubrication at high energy conditions and in partly open process	
PROC 18	Greasing at high energy conditions	
PROC 19	Hand-mixing with intimate contact and only PPE available	
ERC 1-7, 12	Manufacture, formulation and all types of industrial uses	
ERC 10, 11	Wide-dispersive outdoor and indoor use of long-life articles and materials	

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2.1 Control of workers exposure

Product characteristic

According to the MEASE approach, the substance-intrinsic emission potential is one of the main exposure determinants. This is reflected by an assignment of a so-called fugacity class in the MEASE tool. For operations conducted with solid substances at ambient temperature the fugacity is based on the dustiness of that substance. Whereas in hot metal operations, fugacity is temperature based, taking into account the process temperature and the melting point of the substance. As a third group, high abrasive tasks are based on the level of abrasion instead of the substance intrinsic emission potential. The spraying of aqueous solutions (PROC7 and 11) is assumed to be involved with a medium emission.

PROC	Use in preparation	Content in preparation	Physical form	Emission potential
PROC 7	not restricted		aqueous solution	medium
All other applicable PROCs	not restricted		aqueous solution	very low

Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario. Instead, the combination of the scale of operation (industrial vs. professional) and level of containment/automation (as reflected in the PROC) is the main determinant of the process intrinsic emission potential.

Frequency and duration of use/exposure

PROC	Duration of exposure
PROC 7	≤ 240 minutes
All other applicable PROCs	480 minutes (not restricted)

Human factors not influenced by risk management

The shift breathing volume during all process steps reflected in the PROCs is assumed to be 10 m³/shift (8 hours).

Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Since aqueous solutions are not used in hot-metallurgical processes, operational conditions (e.g. process temperature and process pressure) are not considered relevant for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes.

Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are generally not required in the processes.

Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

PROC	Level of separation	Localised controls (LC)	Efficiency of LC (according to MEASE)	Further information
PROC 7	Any potentially required separation of workers from the emission source is indicated above under "Frequency and duration of exposure". A reduction of exposure duration can be achieved, for example, by the installation of ventilated (positive pressure) control rooms or by removing the worker from workplaces involved with relevant exposure.	local exhaust ventilation	78 %	-
PROC 19		not applicable	na	-
All other applicable PROCs		not required	na	-

Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes unless otherwise stated below. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

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Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation				
PROC	Specification of respiratory protective equipment (RPE)	RPE efficiency (assigned protection factor, APF)	Specification of gloves	Further personal protective equipment (PPE)
PROC 7	FFP1 mask	APF=4	Since calcium dihydroxide is classified as irritating to skin, the use of protective gloves is mandatory for all process steps.	Eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn, unless potential contact with the eye can be excluded by the nature and type of application (i.e. closed process). Additionally, face protection, protective clothing and safety shoes are required to be worn as appropriate.
All other applicable PROCs	not required	na		
Any RPE as defined above shall only be worn if the following principles are implemented in parallel: The duration of work (compare with “duration of exposure” above) should reflect the additional physiological stress for the worker due to the breathing resistance and mass of the RPE itself, due to the increased thermal stress by enclosing the head. In addition, it shall be considered that the worker’s capability of using tools and of communicating are reduced during the wearing of RPE. For reasons as given above, the worker should therefore be (i) healthy (especially in view of medical problems that may affect the use of RPE), (ii) have suitable facial characteristics reducing leakages between face and mask (in view of scars and facial hair). The recommended devices above which rely on a tight face seal will not provide the required protection unless they fit the contours of the face properly and securely. The employer and self-employed persons have legal responsibilities for the maintenance and issue of respiratory protective devices and the management of their correct use in the workplace. Therefore, they should define and document a suitable policy for a respiratory protective device programme including training of the workers. An overview of the APFs of different RPE (according to BS EN 529:2005) can be found in the glossary of MEASE.				
2.2 Control of environmental exposure				
Amounts used				
The daily and annual amount per site (for point sources) is not considered to be the main determinant for environmental exposure.				
Frequency and duration of use				
Intermittent (< 12 time per year) or continuous use/release				
Environment factors not influenced by risk management				
Flow rate of receiving surface water: 18000 m³/day				
Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure				
Effluent discharge rate: 2000 m³/day				
Technical onsite conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil				
Risk management measures related to the environment aim to avoid discharging lime solutions into municipal wastewater or to surface water, in case such discharges are expected to cause significant pH changes. Regular control of the pH value during introduction into open waters is required. In general discharges should be carried out such that pH changes in receiving surface waters are minimised (e.g. through neutralisation). In general most aquatic organisms can tolerate pH values in the range of 6-9. This is also reflected in the description of standard OECD tests with aquatic organisms. The justification for this risk management measure can be found in the introduction section.				
Conditions and measures related to waste				
Solid industrial waste of lime should be reused or discharged to the industrial wastewater and further neutralized if needed.				

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3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

Occupational exposure

The exposure estimation tool MEASE was used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the refined exposure estimate and the respective DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on the DNEL for calcium dihydroxide of 1 mg/m³ (as respirable dust) and the respective inhalation exposure estimate derived using MEASE (as inhalable dust). Thus, the RCR includes an additional safety margin since the respirable fraction being a sub-fraction of the inhalable fraction according to EN 481.

PROC	Method used for inhalation exposure assessment	Inhalation exposure estimate (RCR)	Method used for dermal exposure assessment	Dermal exposure estimate (RCR)
PROC 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19	MEASE	< 1 mg/m ³ (0.001 – 0.66)	Since calcium dihydroxide are classified as irritating to skin, dermal exposure has to be minimised as far as technically feasible. A DNEL for dermal effects has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.	

Environmental exposure

The environmental exposure assessment is only relevant for the aquatic environment, when applicable including STPs/WWTPs, as emissions of lime substance in the different life-cycle stages (production and use) mainly apply to (waste) water. The aquatic effect and risk assessment only deal with the effect on organisms/ecosystems due to possible pH changes related to OH⁻ discharges, being the toxicity of Ca²⁺ is expected to be negligible compared to the (potential) pH effect. Only the local scale is being addressed, including municipal sewage treatment plants (STPs) or industrial waste water treatment plants (WWTPs) when applicable, both for production and industrial use as any effects that might occur would be expected to take place on a local scale. The high water solubility and very low vapour pressure indicate that lime substance will be found predominantly in water. Significant emissions or exposure to air are not expected due to the low vapour pressure of lime substance. Significant emissions or exposure to the terrestrial environment are not expected either for this exposure scenario. The exposure assessment for the aquatic environment will therefore only deal with the possible pH changes in STP effluent and surface water related to the OH⁻ discharges at the local scale. The exposure assessment is approached by assessing the resulting pH impact: the surface water pH should not increase above 9.

Environmental emissions	The production of lime substance can potentially result in an aquatic emission and locally increase the lime substance concentration and affect the pH in the aquatic environment. When the pH is not neutralised, the discharge of effluent from lime substance production sites may impact the pH in the receiving water. The pH of effluents is normally measured very frequently and can be neutralised easily as often required by national laws.
Exposure concentration in waste water treatment plant (WWTP)	Waste water from lime substance production is an inorganic wastewater stream and therefore there is no biological treatment. Therefore, wastewater streams from lime substance production sites will normally not be treated in biological waste water treatment plants (WWTPs), but can be used for pH control of acid wastewater streams that are treated in biological WWTPs.
Exposure concentration in aquatic pelagic compartment	When lime substance is emitted to surface water, sorption to particulate matter and sediment will be negligible. When lime is rejected to surface water, the pH may increase, depending on the buffer capacity of the water. The higher the buffer capacity of the water, the lower the effect on pH will be. In general the buffer capacity preventing shifts in acidity or alkalinity in natural waters is regulated by the equilibrium between carbon dioxide (CO ₂), the bicarbonate ion (HCO ₃ ⁻) and the carbonate ion (CO ₃ ²⁻).
Exposure concentration in sediments	The sediment compartment is not included in this ES, because it is not considered relevant for lime substance: when lime substance is emitted to the aquatic compartment, sorption of to sediment particles is negligible.
Exposure concentrations in soil and groundwater	The terrestrial compartment is not included in this exposure scenario, because it is not considered to be relevant.
Exposure concentration in atmospheric compartment	The air compartment is not included in this CSA because it is considered not relevant for lime substance: when emitted to air as an aerosol in water, lime substance is neutralised as a result of its reaction with CO ₂ (or other acids), into HCO ₃ ⁻ and Ca ²⁺ . Subsequently, the salts (e.g. calcium(bi)carbonate) are washed out from the air and thus the atmospheric emissions of neutralised lime substance largely end up in soil and water.
Exposure concentration relevant for the food chain (secondary poisoning)	Bioaccumulation in organisms is not relevant for lime substance: a risk assessment for secondary poisoning is therefore not required.

4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

Occupational exposure

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation and dermal exposure to a level below the respective DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (www.ebrc.de/mease.html) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary. For example, substances with a dustiness less than 2.5 % according to the Rotating Drum Method (RDM) are defined as "low dusty", substances with a dustiness less than 10 % (RDM) are defined as "medium dusty" and substances with a dustiness ≥ 10 % are defined as "high dusty".

DNEL_{inhalation}: 1 mg/m³ (as respirable dust)

Important note: The DU has to be aware of the fact that apart from the long-term DNEL given above, a DNEL for acute effects exists at a level of 4 mg/m³. By demonstrating a safe use when comparing exposure estimates with the long-term DNEL, the acute DNEL is therefore also covered (according to R.14 guidance, acute exposure levels can be derived by multiplying long-term exposure estimates by a factor of 2). When using MEASE for the derivation of exposure estimates, it is noted that the exposure duration should only be reduced to half-shift as a risk management measure (leading to an exposure reduction of 40 %).

Environmental exposure

If a site does not comply with the conditions stipulated in the safe use ES, it is recommended to apply a tiered approach to perform a more site-specific assessment. For that assessment, the following stepwise approach is recommended.

Tier 1: retrieve information on effluent pH and the contribution of the lime substance on the resulting pH. Should the pH be above 9 and be predominantly attributable to lime, then further actions are required to demonstrate safe use.

Tier 2a: retrieve information on receiving water pH after the discharge point. The pH of the receiving water shall not exceed the value of 9. If the measures are not available, the pH in the river can be calculated as follows:

$$pH_{river} = \text{Log} \left[\frac{Q_{effluent} * 10^{pH_{effluent}} + Q_{riverupstream} * 10^{pH_{upstream}}}{Q_{riverupstream} + Q_{effluent}} \right] \quad (\text{Eq 1})$$

Where:

Q effluent refers to the effluent flow (in m³/day)

Q river upstream refers to the upstream river flow (in m³/day)

pH effluent refers to the pH of the effluent

pH upstream river refers to the pH of the river upstream of the discharge point

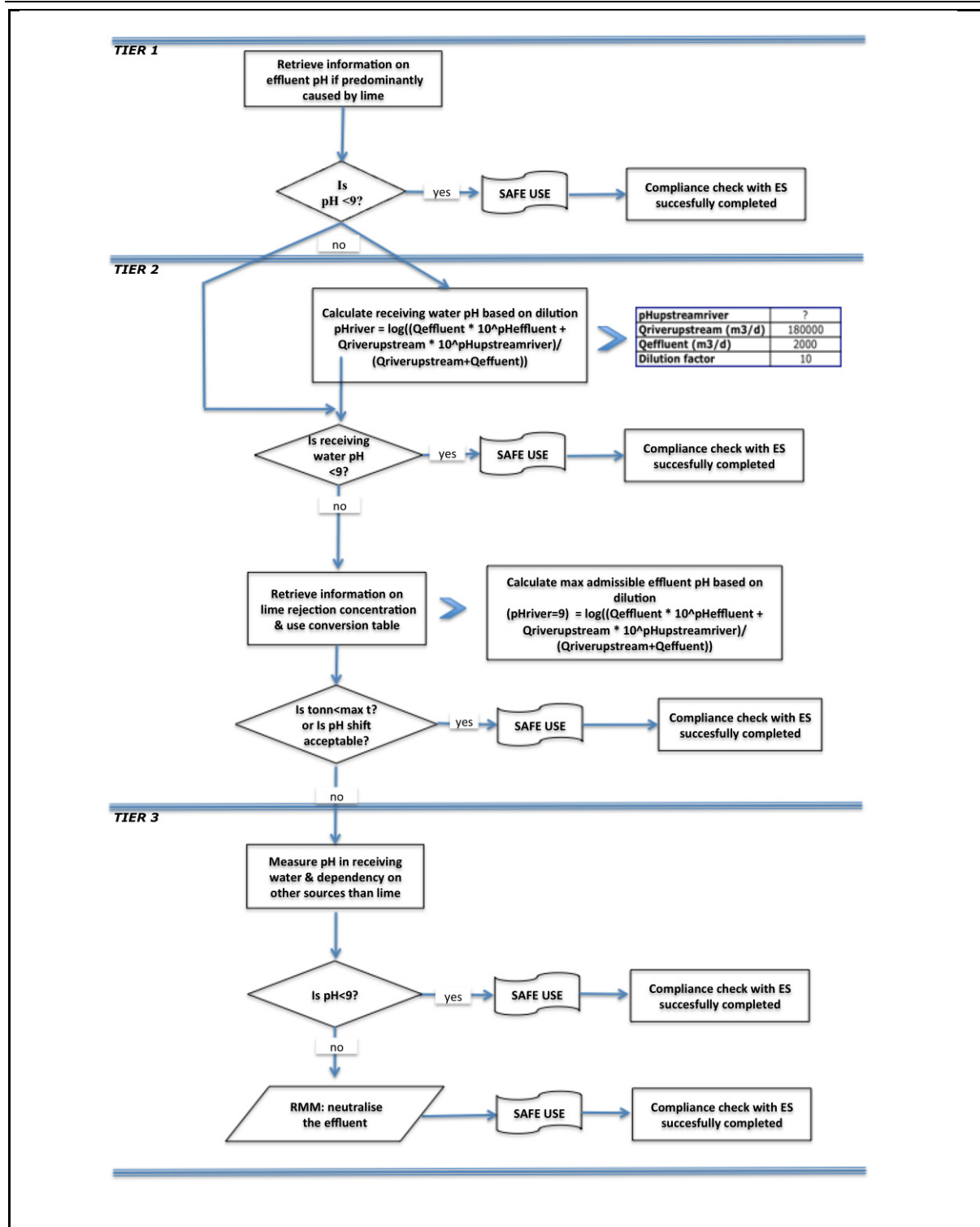
Please note that initially, default values can be used:

- Q river upstream flows: use the 10th of existing measurements distribution or use default value of 18000 m³/day
- Q effluent: use default value of 2000 m³/day
- The upstream pH is preferably a measured value. If not available, one can assume a neutral pH of 7 if this can be justified.

Such equation has to be seen as a worst case scenario, where water conditions are standard and not case specific.

Tier 2b: Equation 1 can be used to identify which effluent pH causes an acceptable pH level in the receiving body. In order to do so, pH of the river is set at value 9 and pH of the effluent is calculated accordingly (using default values as reported previously, if necessary). As temperature influences lime solubility, pH effluent might require to be adjusted on a case-by-case basis. Once the maximum admissible pH value in the effluent is established, it is assumed that the OH⁻ concentrations are all dependent on lime discharge and that there is no buffer capacity conditions to consider (this is a unrealistic worst case scenario, which can be modified where information is available). Maximum load of lime that can be annually rejected without negatively affecting the pH of the receiving water is calculated assuming chemical equilibrium. OH⁻ expressed as moles/litre are multiplied by average flow of the effluent and then divided by the molar mass of the lime substance.

Tier 3: measure the pH in the receiving water after the discharge point. If pH is below 9, safe use is reasonably demonstrated and the ES ends here. If pH is found to be above 9, risk management measures have to be implemented: the effluent has to undergo neutralisation, thus ensuring safe use of lime during production or use phase.



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ES number 9.4: Manufacture and industrial uses of high dusty solids/powders of lime substances

Exposure Scenario Format (1) addressing uses carried out by workers		
1. Title		
Free short title	Manufacture and industrial uses of high dusty solids/powders of lime substances	
Systematic title based on use descriptor	SU3, SU1, SU2a, SU2b, SU4, SU5, SU6a, SU6b, SU7, SU8, SU9, SU10, SU11, SU12, SU13, SU14, SU15, SU16, SU17, SU18, SU19, SU20, SU23, SU24 PC1, PC2, PC3, PC7, PC8, PC9a, PC9b, PC11, PC12, PC13, PC14, PC15, PC16, PC17, PC18, PC19, PC20, PC21, PC23, PC24, PC25, PC26, PC27, PC28, PC29, PC30, PC31, PC32, PC33, PC34, PC35, PC36, PC37, PC38, PC39, PC40 AC1, AC2, AC3, AC4, AC5, AC6, AC7, AC8, AC10, AC11, AC13 (appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in Section 2 below)	
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processes, tasks and/or activities covered are described in Section 2 below.	
Assessment Method	The assessment of inhalation exposure is based on the exposure estimation tool MEASE.	
2. Operational conditions and risk management measures		
PROC/ERC	REACH definition	Involved tasks
PROC 1	Use in closed process, no likelihood of exposure	Further information is provided in the ECHA Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.12: Use descriptor system (ECHA-2010-G-05-EN).
PROC 2	Use in closed, continuous process with occasional controlled exposure	
PROC 3	Use in closed batch process (synthesis or formulation)	
PROC 4	Use in batch and other process (synthesis) where opportunity for exposure arises	
PROC 5	Mixing or blending in batch processes for formulation of preparations and articles (multistage and/or significant contact)	
PROC 7	Industrial spraying	
PROC 8a	Transfer of substance or preparation (charging/discharging) from/to vessels/large containers at non-dedicated facilities	
PROC 8b	Transfer of substance or preparation (charging/ discharging) from/to vessels/large containers at dedicated facilities	
PROC 9	Transfer of substance or preparation into small containers (dedicated filling line, including weighing)	
PROC 10	Roller application or brushing	
PROC 13	Treatment of articles by dipping and pouring	
PROC 14	Production of preparations or articles by tableting, compression, extrusion, pelletisation	
PROC 15	Use as laboratory reagent	
PROC 16	Using material as fuel sources, limited exposure to unburned product to be expected	
PROC 17	Lubrication at high energy conditions and in partly open process	
PROC 18	Greasing at high energy conditions	
PROC 19	Hand-mixing with intimate contact and only PPE available	
PROC 22	Potentially closed processing operations with minerals/metals at elevated temperature Industrial setting	
PROC 23	Open processing and transfer operations with minerals/metals at elevated temperature	
PROC 24	High (mechanical) energy work-up of substances bound in materials and/or articles	
PROC 25	Other hot work operations with metals	

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PROC 26	Handling of solid inorganic substances at ambient temperature	
PROC 27a	Production of metal powders (hot processes)	
PROC 27b	Production of metal powders (wet processes)	
ERC 1-7, 12	Manufacture, formulation and all types of industrial uses	
ERC 10, 11	Wide-dispersive outdoor and indoor use of long-life articles and materials	

2.1 Control of workers exposure

Product characteristic

According to the MEASE approach, the substance-intrinsic emission potential is one of the main exposure determinants. This is reflected by an assignment of a so-called fugacity class in the MEASE tool. For operations conducted with solid substances at ambient temperature the fugacity is based on the dustiness of that substance. Whereas in hot metal operations, fugacity is temperature based, taking into account the process temperature and the melting point of the substance. As a third group, high abrasive tasks are based on the level of abrasion instead of the substance intrinsic emission potential.

PROC	Use in preparation	Content in preparation	Physical form	Emission potential
PROC 22, 23, 25, 27a	not restricted		solid/powder, molten	high
All other applicable PROCs	not restricted		solid/powder	high

Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario. Instead, the combination of the scale of operation (industrial vs. professional) and level of containment/automation (as reflected in the PROC) is the main determinant of the process intrinsic emission potential.

Frequency and duration of use/exposure

PROC	Duration of exposure
PROC 7, 8a, 17, 18, 19, 22	≤ 240 minutes
All other applicable PROCs	480 minutes (not restricted)

Human factors not influenced by risk management

The shift breathing volume during all process steps reflected in the PROCs is assumed to be 10 m³/shift (8 hours).

Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure are not considered relevant for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes. In process steps with considerably high temperatures (i.e. PROC 22, 23, 25), the exposure assessment in MEASE is however based on the ratio of process temperature and melting point. As the associated temperatures are expected to vary within the industry the highest ratio was taken as a worst case assumption for the exposure estimation. Thus all process temperatures are automatically covered in this exposure scenario for PROC 22, 23 and PROC 25.

Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are generally not required in the processes.

Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

PROC	Level of separation	Localised controls (LC)	Efficiency of LC (according to MEASE)	Further information
PROC 1	Any potentially required separation of workers from the emission source is indicated above under "Frequency and duration of exposure". A reduction of exposure duration can be achieved, for example, by the installation of ventilated (positive pressure) control rooms or by removing the worker from workplaces involved with relevant exposure.	not required	na	-
PROC 2, 3		general ventilation	17 %	-
PROC 7		integrated local exhaust ventilation	84 %	-
PROC 19		not applicable	na	-
All other applicable PROCs		local exhaust ventilation	78 %	-

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Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure				
Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes unless otherwise stated below. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.				
Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation				
PROC	Specification of respiratory protective equipment (RPE)	RPE efficiency (assigned protection factor, APF)	Specification of gloves	Further personal protective equipment (PPE)
PROC 1, 2, 3, 23, 25, 27b	not required	na	Since calcium dihydroxide is classified as irritating to skin, the use of protective gloves is mandatory for all process steps.	Eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn, unless potential contact with the eye can be excluded by the nature and type of application (i.e. closed process). Additionally, face protection, protective clothing and safety shoes are required to be worn as appropriate.
PROC 4, 5, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 17, 18,	FFP2 mask	APF=10		
PROC 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 22, 24, 26, 27a	FFP1 mask	APF=4		
PROC 19	FFP3 mask	APF=20		
Any RPE as defined above shall only be worn if the following principles are implemented in parallel: The duration of work (compare with "duration of exposure" above) should reflect the additional physiological stress for the worker due to the breathing resistance and mass of the RPE itself, due to the increased thermal stress by enclosing the head. In addition, it shall be considered that the worker's capability of using tools and of communicating are reduced during the wearing of RPE. For reasons as given above, the worker should therefore be (i) healthy (especially in view of medical problems that may affect the use of RPE), (ii) have suitable facial characteristics reducing leakages between face and mask (in view of scars and facial hair). The recommended devices above which rely on a tight face seal will not provide the required protection unless they fit the contours of the face properly and securely. The employer and self-employed persons have legal responsibilities for the maintenance and issue of respiratory protective devices and the management of their correct use in the workplace. Therefore, they should define and document a suitable policy for a respiratory protective device programme including training of the workers. An overview of the APFs of different RPE (according to BS EN 529:2005) can be found in the glossary of MEASE.				
2.2 Control of environmental exposure				
Amounts used				
The daily and annual amount per site (for point sources) is not considered to be the main determinant for environmental exposure.				
Frequency and duration of use				
Intermittent (< 12 time per year) or continuous use/release				
Environment factors not influenced by risk management				
Flow rate of receiving surface water: 18000 m³/day				
Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure				
Effluent discharge rate: 2000 m³/day				
Technical onsite conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil				
Risk management measures related to the environment aim to avoid discharging lime solutions into municipal wastewater or to surface water, in case such discharges are expected to cause significant pH changes. Regular control of the pH value during introduction into open waters is required. In general discharges should be carried out such that pH changes in receiving surface waters are minimised (e.g. through neutralisation). In general most aquatic organisms can tolerate pH values in the range of 6-9. This is also reflected in the description of standard OECD tests with aquatic organisms. The justification for this risk management measure can be found in the introduction section.				
Conditions and measures related to waste				
Solid industrial waste of lime should be reused or discharged to the industrial wastewater and further neutralized if needed.				

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3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

Occupational exposure

The exposure estimation tool MEASE was used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the refined exposure estimate and the respective DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on the DNEL for calcium dihydroxide of 1 mg/m³ (as respirable dust) and the respective inhalation exposure estimate derived using MEASE (as inhalable dust). Thus, the RCR includes an additional safety margin since the respirable fraction being a sub-fraction of the inhalable fraction according to EN 481.

PROC	Method used for inhalation exposure assessment	Inhalation exposure estimate (RCR)	Method used for dermal exposure assessment	Dermal exposure estimate (RCR)
PROC 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27a, 27b	MEASE	<1 mg/m ³ (0.01 – 0.96)	Since calcium dihydroxide is classified as irritating to skin, dermal exposure has to be minimised as far as technically feasible. A DNEL for dermal effects has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.	

Environmental emissions

The environmental exposure assessment is only relevant for the aquatic environment, when applicable including STPs/WWTPs, as emissions of calcium dihydroxide in the different life-cycle stages (production and use) mainly apply to (waste) water. The aquatic effect and risk assessment only deal with the effect on organisms/ecosystems due to possible pH changes related to OH⁻ discharges, being the toxicity of Ca²⁺ is expected to be negligible compared to the (potential) pH effect. Only the local scale is being addressed, including municipal sewage treatment plants (STPs) or industrial waste water treatment plants (WWTPs) when applicable, both for production and industrial use as any effects that might occur would be expected to take place on a local scale. The high water solubility and very low vapour pressure indicate that calcium dihydroxide will be found predominantly in water. Significant emissions or exposure to air are not expected due to the low vapour pressure of calcium dihydroxide. Significant emissions or exposure to the terrestrial environment are not expected either for this exposure scenario. The exposure assessment for the aquatic environment will therefore only deal with the possible pH changes in STP effluent and surface water related to the OH⁻ discharges at the local scale. The exposure assessment is approached by assessing the resulting pH impact: the surface water pH should not increase above 9.

Environmental emissions	The production of calcium dihydroxide can potentially result in an aquatic emission and locally increase the calcium dihydroxide concentration and affect the pH in the aquatic environment. When the pH is not neutralised, the discharge of effluent from calcium dihydroxide production sites may impact the pH in the receiving water. The pH of effluents is normally measured very frequently and can be neutralised easily as often required by national laws.
Exposure concentration in waste water treatment plant (WWTP)	Waste water from calcium dihydroxide production is an inorganic wastewater stream and therefore there is no biological treatment. Therefore, wastewater streams from calcium dihydroxide production sites will normally not be treated in biological waste water treatment plants (WWTPs), but can be used for pH control of acid wastewater streams that are treated in biological WWTPs.
Exposure concentration in aquatic pelagic compartment	When calcium dihydroxide is emitted to surface water, sorption to particulate matter and sediment will be negligible. When lime is rejected to surface water, the pH may increase, depending on the buffer capacity of the water. The higher the buffer capacity of the water, the lower the effect on pH will be. In general the buffer capacity preventing shifts in acidity or alkalinity in natural waters is regulated by the equilibrium between carbon dioxide (CO ₂), the bicarbonate ion (HCO ₃ ⁻) and the carbonate ion (CO ₃ ²⁻).
Exposure concentration in sediments	The sediment compartment is not included in this ES, because it is not considered relevant for calcium dihydroxide: when calcium dihydroxide is emitted to the aquatic compartment, sorption of to sediment particles is negligible.
Exposure concentrations in soil and groundwater	The terrestrial compartment is not included in this exposure scenario, because it is not considered to be relevant.
Exposure concentration in atmospheric compartment	The air compartment is not included in this CSA because it is considered not relevant for calcium dihydroxide: when emitted to air as an aerosol in water, calcium dihydroxide is neutralised as a result of its reaction with CO ₂ (or other acids), into HCO ₃ ⁻ and Ca ²⁺ . Subsequently, the salts (e.g. calcium(bi)carbonate) are washed out from the air and thus the atmospheric emissions of neutralised calcium dihydroxide largely end up in soil and water.
Exposure concentration relevant for the food chain (secondary poisoning)	Bioaccumulation in organisms is not relevant for calcium dihydroxide: a risk assessment for secondary poisoning is therefore not required.

4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

Occupational exposure

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation and dermal exposure to a level below

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the respective DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (www.ebrc.de/mease.html) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary. For example, substances with a dustiness less than 2.5 % according to the Rotating Drum Method (RDM) are defined as "low dusty", substances with a dustiness less than 10 % (RDM) are defined as "medium dusty" and substances with a dustiness ≥ 10 % are defined as "high dusty".

DNEL_{inhalation}: 1 mg/m³ (as respirable dust)

Important note: The DU has to be aware of the fact that apart from the long-term DNEL given above, a DNEL for acute effects exists at a level of 4 mg/m³. By demonstrating a safe use when comparing exposure estimates with the long-term DNEL, the acute DNEL is therefore also covered (according to R.14 guidance, acute exposure levels can be derived by multiplying long-term exposure estimates by a factor of 2). When using MEASE for the derivation of exposure estimates, it is noted that the exposure duration should only be reduced to half-shift as a risk management measure (leading to an exposure reduction of 40 %).

Environmental exposure

If a site does not comply with the conditions stipulated in the safe use ES, it is recommended to apply a tiered approach to perform a more site-specific assessment. For that assessment, the following stepwise approach is recommended.

Tier 1: retrieve information on effluent pH and the contribution of the calcium dihydroxide on the resulting pH. Should the pH be above 9 and be predominantly attributable to lime, then further actions are required to demonstrate safe use.

Tier 2a: retrieve information on receiving water pH after the discharge point. The pH of the receiving water shall not exceed the value of 9. If the measures are not available, the pH in the river can be calculated as follows:

$$pH_{river} = \log \left[\frac{Q_{effluent} * 10^{pH_{effluent}} + Q_{riverupstream} * 10^{pH_{upstream}}}{Q_{riverupstream} + Q_{effluent}} \right] \quad (Eq 1)$$

Where:

Q effluent refers to the effluent flow (in m³/day)

Q river upstream refers to the upstream river flow (in m³/day)

pH effluent refers to the pH of the effluent

pH upstream river refers to the pH of the river upstream of the discharge point

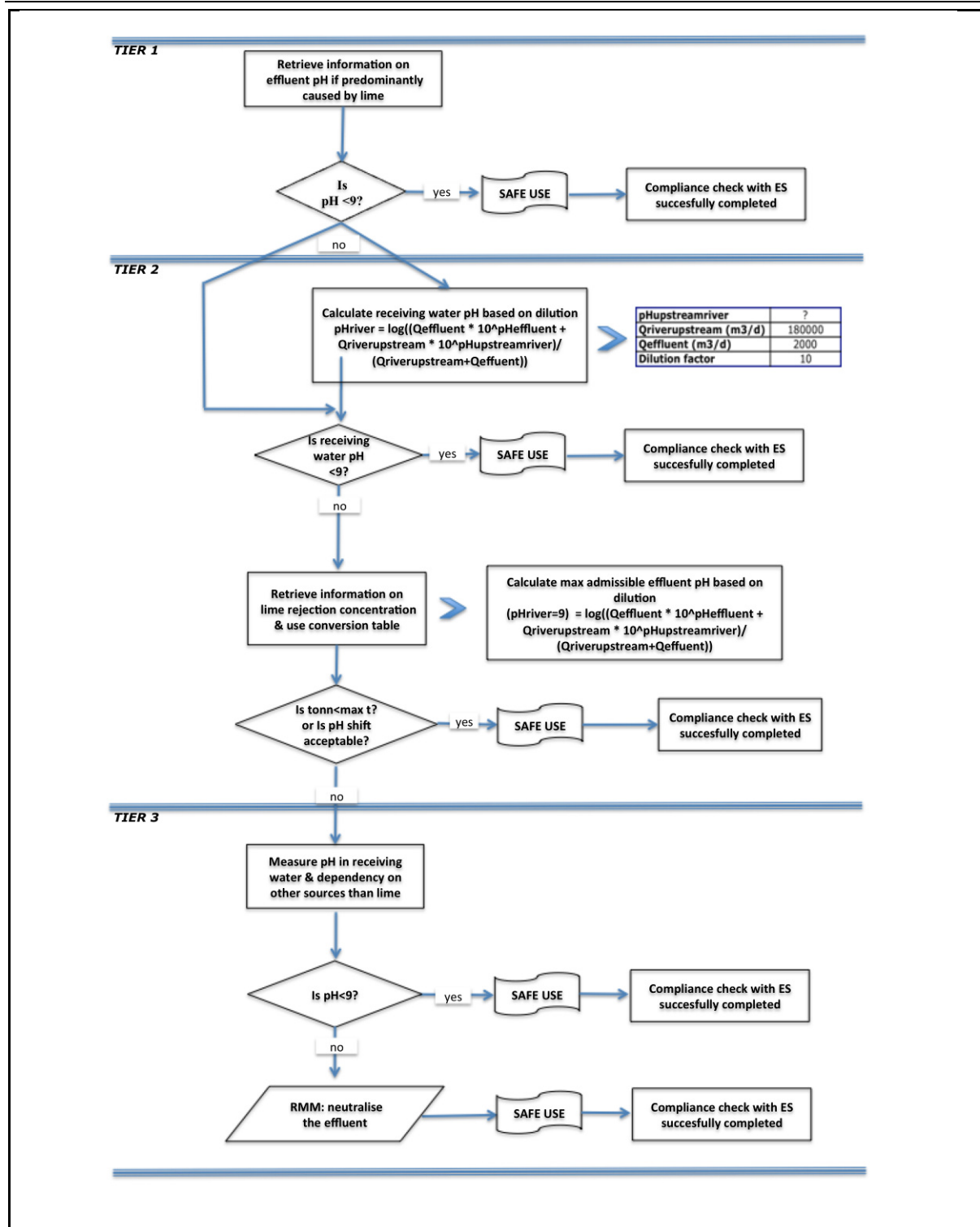
Please note that initially, default values can be used:

- Q river upstream flows: use the 10th of existing measurements distribution or use default value of 18000 m³/day
- Q effluent: use default value of 2000 m³/day
- The upstream pH is preferably a measured value. If not available, one can assume a neutral pH of 7 if this can be justified.

Such equation has to be seen as a worst case scenario, where water conditions are standard and not case specific.

Tier 2b: Equation 1 can be used to identify which effluent pH causes an acceptable pH level in the receiving body. In order to do so, pH of the river is set at value 9 and pH of the effluent is calculated accordingly (using default values as reported previously, if necessary). As temperature influences lime solubility, pH effluent might require to be adjusted on a case-by-case basis. Once the maximum admissible pH value in the effluent is established, it is assumed that the OH⁻ concentrations are all dependent on lime discharge and that there is no buffer capacity conditions to consider (this is a unrealistic worst case scenario, which can be modified where information is available). Maximum load of lime that can be annually rejected without negatively affecting the pH of the receiving water is calculated assuming chemical equilibrium. OH⁻ expressed as moles/litre are multiplied by average flow of the effluent and then divided by the molar mass of the calcium dihydroxide.

Tier 3: measure the pH in the receiving water after the discharge point. If pH is below 9, safe use is reasonably demonstrated and the ES ends here. If pH is found to be above 9, risk management measures have to be implemented: the effluent has to undergo neutralisation, thus ensuring safe use of lime during production or use phase.



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Exposure Scenario Format (1) addressing uses carried out by workers		
1. Title		
Free short title	Professional uses of aqueous solutions of lime substances	
Systematic title based on use descriptor	SU22, SU1, SU5, SU6a, SU6b, SU7, SU10, SU11, SU12, SU13, SU16, SU17, SU18, SU19, SU20, SU23, SU24 PC1, PC2, PC3, PC7, PC8, PC9a, PC9b, PC11, PC12, PC13, PC14, PC15, PC16, PC17, PC18, PC19, PC20, PC21, PC23, PC24, PC25, PC26, PC27, PC28, PC29, PC30, PC31, PC32, PC33, PC34, PC35, PC36, PC37, PC39, PC40 AC1, AC2, AC3, AC4, AC5, AC6, AC7, AC8, AC10, AC11, AC13 (appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in Section 2 below)	
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processes, tasks and/or activities covered are described in Section 2 below.	
Assessment Method	The assessment of inhalation exposure is based on the exposure estimation tool MEASE. The environmental assessment is based on FOCUS-Exposit.	
2. Operational conditions and risk management measures		
PROC/ERC	REACH definition	Involved tasks
PROC 2	Use in closed, continuous process with occasional controlled exposure	Further information is provided in the ECHA Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.12: Use descriptor system (ECHA-2010-G-05-EN).
PROC 3	Use in closed batch process (synthesis or formulation)	
PROC 4	Use in batch and other process (synthesis) where opportunity for exposure arises	
PROC 5	Mixing or blending in batch processes for formulation of preparations and articles (multistage and/or significant contact)	
PROC 8a	Transfer of substance or preparation (charging/discharging) from/to vessels/large containers at non-dedicated facilities	
PROC 8b	Transfer of substance or preparation (charging/ discharging) from/to vessels/large containers at dedicated facilities	
PROC 9	Transfer of substance or preparation into small containers (dedicated filling line, including weighing)	
PROC 10	Roller application or brushing	
PROC 11	Non industrial spraying	
PROC 12	Use of blowing agents in manufacture of foam	
PROC 13	Treatment of articles by dipping and pouring	
PROC 15	Use as laboratory reagent	
PROC 16	Using material as fuel sources, limited exposure to unburned product to be expected	
PROC 17	Lubrication at high energy conditions and in partly open process	
PROC 18	Greasing at high energy conditions	
PROC 19	Hand-mixing with intimate contact and only PPE available	
ERC2, ERC8a, ERC8b, ERC8c, ERC8d, ERC8e, ERC8f	Wide dispersive indoor and outdoor use of reactive substances or processing aids in open systems	Calcium dihydroxide is applied in numerous cases of wide dispersive uses: agricultural, forestry, fish and shrimps farming, soil treatment and environmental protection.

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2.1 Control of workers exposure

Product characteristic

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PROC	Use in preparation	Content in preparation	Physical form	Emission potential
All applicable PROCs	not restricted		aqueous solution	very low

Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario. Instead, the combination of the scale of operation (industrial vs. professional) and level of containment/automation (as reflected in the PROC) is the main determinant of the process intrinsic emission potential.

Frequency and duration of use/exposure

PROC	Duration of exposure
PROC 11	≤ 240 minutes
All other applicable PROCs	480 minutes (not restricted)

Human factors not influenced by risk management

The shift breathing volume during all process steps reflected in the PROCs is assumed to be 10 m³/shift (8 hours).

Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Since aqueous solutions are not used in hot-metallurgical processes, operational conditions (e.g. process temperature and process pressure) are not considered relevant for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes.

Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are generally not required in the processes.

Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

PROC	Level of separation	Localised controls (LC)	Efficiency of LC (according to MEASE)	Further information
PROC 19	Separation of workers from the emission source is generally not required in the conducted processes.	not applicable	na	-
All other applicable PROCs		not required	na	-

Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes unless otherwise stated below. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

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Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation				
PROC	Specification of respiratory protective equipment (RPE)	RPE efficiency (assigned protection factor, APF)	Specification of gloves	Further personal protective equipment (PPE)
PROC 11	FFP3 mask	APF=20	Since calcium dihydroxide is classified as irritating to skin, the use of protective gloves is mandatory for all process steps.	Eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn, unless potential contact with the eye can be excluded by the nature and type of application (i.e. closed process). Additionally, face protection, protective clothing and safety shoes are required to be worn as appropriate.
PROC 17	FFP1 mask	APF=4		
All other applicable PROCs	not required	na		

Any RPE as defined above shall only be worn if the following principles are implemented in parallel: The duration of work (compare with "duration of exposure" above) should reflect the additional physiological stress for the worker due to the breathing resistance and mass of the RPE itself, due to the increased thermal stress by enclosing the head. In addition, it shall be considered that the worker's capability of using tools and of communicating are reduced during the wearing of RPE.

For reasons as given above, the worker should therefore be (i) healthy (especially in view of medical problems that may affect the use of RPE), (ii) have suitable facial characteristics reducing leakages between face and mask (in view of scars and facial hair). The recommended devices above which rely on a tight face seal will not provide the required protection unless they fit the contours of the face properly and securely.

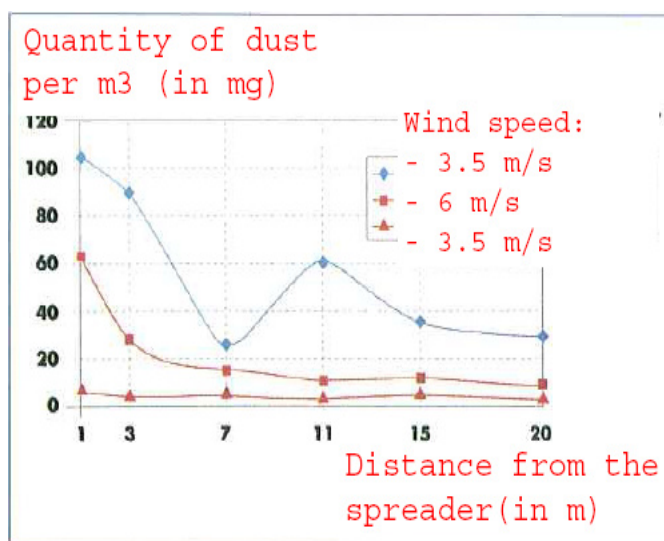
The employer and self-employed persons have legal responsibilities for the maintenance and issue of respiratory protective devices and the management of their correct use in the workplace. Therefore, they should define and document a suitable policy for a respiratory protective device programme including training of the workers.

An overview of the APFs of different RPE (according to BS EN 529:2005) can be found in the glossary of MEASE.

2.2 Control of environmental exposure – only relevant for agricultural soil protection

Product characteristics

Drift: 1% (very worst-case estimate based on data from dust measurements in air as a function of the distance from application)



(Figure taken from: Laudet, A. et al., 1999)

Amounts used

Ca(OH)₂ 2,244 kg/ha

Frequency and duration of use

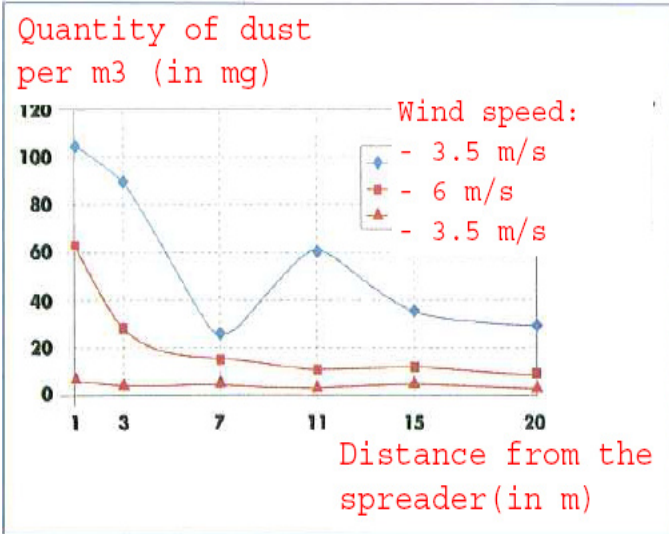
1 day/year (one application per year). Multiple applications during the year are allowed, provided the total yearly amount of 2,244 kg/ha is not exceeded (Ca(OH)₂)

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Environment factors not influenced by risk management																													
Volume of surface water: 300 L/m² Field surface area: 1 ha																													
Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure																													
Outdoor use of products Soil mixing depth: 20 cm																													
Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release																													
There are no direct releases to adjacent surface waters.																													
Technical conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil																													
Drift should be minimised.																													
Organizational measures to prevent/limit release from site																													
In line with the requirements for good agricultural practice, agricultural soil should be analysed prior to application of lime and the application rate should be adjusted according to the results of the analysis.																													
2.2 Control of environmental exposure – only relevant for soil treatment in civil engineering																													
Product characteristics																													
Drift: 1% (very worst-case estimate based on data from dust measurements in air as a function of the distance from application)																													
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20	30	10	10																										
Amounts used																													
Ca(OH)2	238,208 kg/ha																												
Frequency and duration of use																													
1 day/year and only once in a lifetime. Multiple applications during the year are allowed, provided the total yearly amount of 238,208 kg/ha is not exceeded (CaOH2)																													
Environment factors not influenced by risk management																													
Field surface area: 1 ha																													
Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure																													
Outdoor use of products Soil mixing depth: 20 cm																													
Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release																													
Lime is only applied onto the soil in the technosphere zone before road construction. There are no direct releases to adjacent surface waters.																													

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Technical onsite conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil				
Drift should be minimised.				
3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source				
Occupational exposure				
The exposure estimation tool MEASE was used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the refined exposure estimate and the respective DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on the DNEL for calcium dihydroxide of 1 mg/m ³ (as respirable dust) and the respective inhalation exposure estimate derived using MEASE (as inhalable dust). Thus, the RCR includes an additional safety margin since the respirable fraction being a sub-fraction of the inhalable fraction according to EN 481.				
PROC	Method used for inhalation exposure assessment	Inhalation exposure estimate (RCR)	Method used for dermal exposure assessment	Dermal exposure estimate (RCR)
PROC 2, 3, 4, 5, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19	MEASE	< 1 mg/m ³ (<0.001 – 0.6)	Since calcium dihydroxide is classified as irritating to skin, dermal exposure has to be minimised as far as technically feasible. A DNEL for dermal effects has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.	
Environmental exposure for agricultural soil protection				
The PEC calculation for soil and surface water was based on the FOCUS soil group (FOCUS, 1996) and on the "draft guidance on the calculation of predicted environmental concentration values (PEC) of plant protection products for soil, ground water, surface water and sediment (Kloskowski et al., 1999). The FOCUS/EXPOSIT modelling tool is preferred to the EUSES as it is more appropriate for agricultural-like application as in this case where parameter as the drift needs to be included in the modelling. FOCUS is a model typically developed for biocidal applications and was further elaborated on the basis of the German EXPOSIT 1.0 model, where parameters such as drifts can be improved according to collected data: once applied on the soil, calcium dihydroxide can indeed migrate then towards surface waters, via drift.				
Environmental emissions	See amounts used			
Exposure concentration in waste water treatment plant (WWTP)	Not relevant for agricultural soil protection			
Exposure concentration in aquatic pelagic compartment	Substance	PEC (ug/L)	PNEC (ug/L)	RCR
	Ca(OH) ₂	7.48	490	0.015
Exposure concentration in sediments	As described above, no exposure of surface water nor sediment to lime is expected. Further, in natural waters the hydroxide ions react with HCO ₃ ⁻ to form water and CO ₃ ²⁻ . CO ₃ ²⁻ forms CaCO ₃ by reacting with Ca ²⁺ . The calcium carbonate precipitates and deposits on the sediment. Calcium carbonate is of low solubility and a constituent of natural soils.			
Exposure concentrations in soil and groundwater	Substance	PEC (mg/L)	PNEC (mg/L)	RCR
	Ca(OH) ₂	660	1080	0.61
Exposure concentration in atmospheric compartment	This point is not relevant. Calcium dihydroxide is not volatile. The vapour pressures is below 10 ⁻⁵ Pa.			
Exposure concentration relevant for the food chain (secondary poisoning)	This point is not relevant because calcium dihydroxides can be considered to be omnipresent and essential in the environment. The uses covered do not significantly influence the distribution of the constituents (Ca ²⁺ and OH ⁻) in the environment.			

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Environmental exposure for soil treatment in civil engineering

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The PEC calculation for soil was based on the FOCUS soil group (FOCUS, 1996) and on the "draft guidance on the calculation of predicted environmental concentration values (PEC) of plant protection products for soil, ground water, surface water and sediment (Kloskowski et al., 1999). The FOCUS/EXPOSIT modelling tool is preferred to the EUSES as it is more appropriate for agricultural-like application as in this case where parameter as the drift needs to be included in the modelling. FOCUS is a model typically developed for biocidal applications and was further elaborated on the basis of the German EXPOSIT 1.0 model, where parameters such as drifts can be improved according to collected data.

Environmental emissions	See amounts used			
Exposure concentration in waste water treatment plant (WWTP)	Not relevant for road border scenario			
Exposure concentration in aquatic pelagic compartment	Not relevant for road border scenario			
Exposure concentration in sediments	Not relevant for road border scenario			
Exposure concentrations in soil and groundwater	Substance	PEC (mg/L)	PNEC (mg/L)	RCR
	Ca(OH) ₂	701	1080	0.65
Exposure concentration in atmospheric compartment	This point is not relevant. Calcium dihydroxide is not volatile. The vapour pressures is below 10 ⁻⁵ Pa.			
Exposure concentration relevant for the food chain (secondary poisoning)	This point is not relevant because calcium can be considered to be omnipresent and essential in the environment. The uses covered do not significantly influence the distribution of the constituents (Ca ²⁺ and OH ⁻) in the environment.			

Environmental exposure for other uses

- For all other uses, no quantitative environmental exposure assessment is carried because
- The operational conditions and risk management measures are less stringent than those outlined for agricultural soil protection or soil treatment in civil engineering
 - Lime is an ingredient and chemically bound into a matrix. Releases are negligible and insufficient to cause a pH-shift in soil, wastewater or surface water
 - Lime is specifically used to release CO₂-free breathable air, upon reaction with CO₂. Such applications only relates to the air compartment, where the lime properties are exploited
 - Neutralisation/pH-shift is the intended use and there are no additional impacts beyond those desired.

4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation and dermal exposure to a level below the respective DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (www.ebrc.de/mease.html) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary. For example, substances with a dustiness less than 2.5 % according to the Rotating Drum Method (RDM) are defined as "low dusty", substances with a dustiness less than 10 % (RDM) are defined as "medium dusty" and substances with a dustiness ≥ 10 % are defined as "high dusty".

DNEL_{inhalation}: 1 mg/m³ (as respirable dust)

Important note: The DU has to be aware of the fact that apart from the long-term DNEL given above, a DNEL for acute effects exists at a level of 4 mg/m³. By demonstrating a safe use when comparing exposure estimates with the long-term DNEL, the acute DNEL is therefore also covered (according to R.14 guidance, acute exposure levels can be derived by multiplying long-term exposure estimates by a factor of 2). When using MEASE for the derivation of exposure estimates, it is noted that the exposure duration should only be reduced to half-shift as a risk management measure (leading to an exposure reduction of 40 %).

ES number 9.9: Professional uses of high dusty solids/ powders of lime substances

Exposure Scenario Format (1) addressing uses carried out by workers		
1. Title		
Free short title	Professional uses of high dusty solids/powders of lime substances	
Systematic title based on use descriptor	SU22, SU1, SU5, SU6a, SU6b, SU7, SU10, SU11, SU12, SU13, SU16, SU17, SU18, SU19, SU20, SU23, SU24 PC1, PC2, PC3, PC7, PC8, PC9a, PC9b, PC11, PC12, PC13, PC14, PC15, PC16, PC17, PC18, PC19, PC20, PC21, PC23, PC24, PC25, PC26, PC27, PC28, PC29, PC30, PC31, PC32, PC33, PC34, PC35, PC36, PC37, PC39, PC40 AC1, AC2, AC3, AC4, AC5, AC6, AC7, AC8, AC10, AC11, AC13 (appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in Section 2 below)	
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processes, tasks and/or activities covered are described in Section 2 below.	
Assessment Method	The assessment of inhalation exposure is based on the exposure estimation tool MEASE. The environmental assessment is based on FOCUS-Exposit.	
2. Operational conditions and risk management measures		
PROC/ERC	REACH definition	Involved tasks
PROC 2	Use in closed, continuous process with occasional controlled exposure	Further information is provided in the ECHA Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.12: Use descriptor system (ECHA-2010-G-05-EN).
PROC 3	Use in closed batch process (synthesis or formulation)	
PROC 4	Use in batch and other process (synthesis) where opportunity for exposure arises	
PROC 5	Mixing or blending in batch processes for formulation of preparations and articles (multistage and/or significant contact)	
PROC 8a	Transfer of substance or preparation (charging/discharging) from/to vessels/large containers at non-dedicated facilities	
PROC 8b	Transfer of substance or preparation (charging/ discharging) from/to vessels/large containers at dedicated facilities	
PROC 9	Transfer of substance or preparation into small containers (dedicated filling line, including weighing)	
PROC 10	Roller application or brushing	
PROC 11	Non industrial spraying	
PROC 13	Treatment of articles by dipping and pouring	
PROC 15	Use as laboratory reagent	
PROC 16	Using material as fuel sources, limited exposure to unburned product to be expected	
PROC 17	Lubrication at high energy conditions and in partly open process	
PROC 18	Greasing at high energy conditions	
PROC 19	Hand-mixing with intimate contact and only PPE available	
PROC 25	Other hot work operations with metals	
PROC 26	Handling of solid inorganic substances at ambient temperature	
ERC2, ERC8a, ERC8b, ERC8c, ERC8d, ERC8e, ERC8f	Wide dispersive indoor and outdoor use of reactive substances or processing aids in open systems	

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2.1 Control of workers exposure

Product characteristic

According to the MEASE approach, the substance-intrinsic emission potential is one of the main exposure determinants. This is reflected by an assignment of a so-called fugacity class in the MEASE tool. For operations conducted with solid substances at ambient temperature the fugacity is based on the dustiness of that substance. Whereas in hot metal operations, fugacity is temperature based, taking into account the process temperature and the melting point of the substance. As a third group, high abrasive tasks are based on the level of abrasion instead of the substance intrinsic emission potential.

PROC	Use in preparation	Content in preparation	Physical form	Emission potential
All applicable PROCs	not restricted		solid/powder	high

Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario. Instead, the combination of the scale of operation (industrial vs. professional) and level of containment/automation (as reflected in the PROC) is the main determinant of the process intrinsic emission potential.

Frequency and duration of use/exposure

PROC	Duration of exposure
PROC 4, 5, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 16, 17, 18, 19, 26	≤ 240 minutes
PROC 11	≤ 60 minutes
All other applicable PROCs	480 minutes (not restricted)

Human factors not influenced by risk management

The shift breathing volume during all process steps reflected in the PROCs is assumed to be 10 m³/shift (8 hours).

Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure are not considered relevant for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes. In process steps with considerably high temperatures (i.e. PROC 22, 23, 25), the exposure assessment in MEASE is however based on the ratio of process temperature and melting point. As the associated temperatures are expected to vary within the industry the highest ratio was taken as a worst case assumption for the exposure estimation. Thus all process temperatures are automatically covered in this exposure scenario for PROC 22, 23 and PROC 25.

Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are generally not required in the processes.

Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

PROC	Level of separation	Localised controls (LC)	Efficiency of LC (according to MEASE)	Further information
PROC 4, 5, 8a, 8b, 9, 11, 16, 26	Any potentially required separation of workers from the emission source is indicated above under "Frequency and duration of exposure". A reduction of exposure duration can be achieved, for example, by the installation of ventilated (positive pressure) control rooms or by removing the worker from workplaces involved with relevant exposure.	generic local exhaust ventilation	72 %	-
PROC 17, 18		integrated local exhaust ventilation	87 %	-
PROC 19		not applicable	na	only in well ventilated rooms or outdoors (efficiency 50 %)
All other applicable PROCs		not required	na	-

Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes unless otherwise stated below. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

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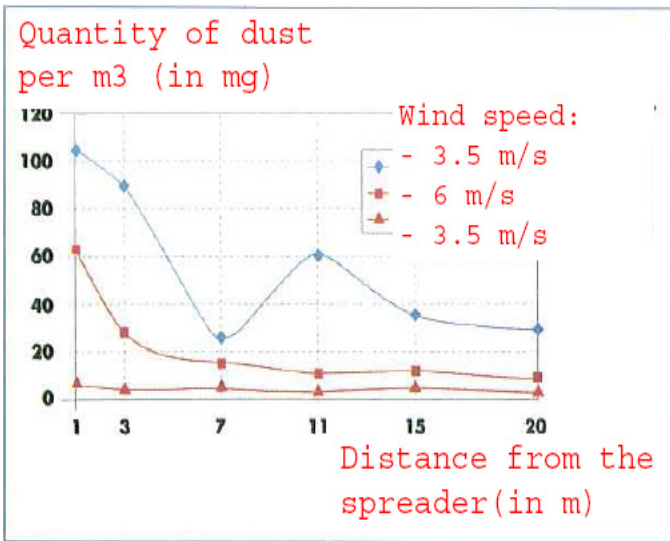
Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation				
PROC	Specification of respiratory protective equipment (RPE)	RPE efficiency (assigned protection factor, APF)	Specification of gloves	Further personal protective equipment (PPE)
PROC 9, 26	FFP1 mask	APF=4	Since calcium dihydroxide is classified as irritating to skin, the use of protective gloves is mandatory for all process steps.	Eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn, unless potential contact with the eye can be excluded by the nature and type of application (i.e. closed process). Additionally, face protection, protective clothing and safety shoes are required to be worn as appropriate.
PROC 11, 17, 18, 19	FFP3 mask	APF=20		
PROC 25	FFP2 mask	APF=10		
All other applicable PROCs	FFP2 mask	APF=10		
Any RPE as defined above shall only be worn if the following principles are implemented in parallel: The duration of work (compare with "duration of exposure" above) should reflect the additional physiological stress for the worker due to the breathing resistance and mass of the RPE itself, due to the increased thermal stress by enclosing the head. In addition, it shall be considered that the worker's capability of using tools and of communicating are reduced during the wearing of RPE. For reasons as given above, the worker should therefore be (i) healthy (especially in view of medical problems that may affect the use of RPE), (ii) have suitable facial characteristics reducing leakages between face and mask (in view of scars and facial hair). The recommended devices above which rely on a tight face seal will not provide the required protection unless they fit the contours of the face properly and securely. The employer and self-employed persons have legal responsibilities for the maintenance and issue of respiratory protective devices and the management of their correct use in the workplace. Therefore, they should define and document a suitable policy for a respiratory protective device programme including training of the workers. An overview of the APFs of different RPE (according to BS EN 529:2005) can be found in the glossary of MEASE.				
– only relevant for agricultural soil protection				
Product characteristics				
Drift: 1% (very worst-case estimate based on data from dust measurements in air as a function of the distance from application)				
Quantity of dust per m3 (in mg) Wind speed: - 3.5 m/s - 6 m/s - 3.5 m/s Distance from the spreader (in m)				
(Figure taken from: Laudet, A. et al., 1999)				
Amounts used				
Ca(OH)2	2,244 kg/ha			
Frequency and duration of use				
1 day/year (one application per year). Multiple applications during the year are allowed, provided the total yearly amount of 2,244 kg/ha is not exceeded (CaOH2)				

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Environment factors not influenced by risk management	
Volume of surface water: 300 L/m ² Field surface area: 1 ha	
Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure	
Outdoor use of products Soil mixing depth: 20 cm	
Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release	
There are no direct releases to adjacent surface waters.	
Technical conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil	
Drift should be minimised.	
Organizational measures to prevent/limit release from site	
In line with the requirements for good agricultural practice, agricultural soil should be analysed prior to application of lime and the application rate should be adjusted according to the results of the analysis.	
2.2 Control of environmental exposure – only relevant for soil treatment in civil engineering	
Product characteristics	
Drift: 1% (very worst-case estimate based on data from dust measurements in air as a function of the distance from application)	
 Quantity of dust per m³ (in mg) Wind speed: - 3.5 m/s - 6 m/s - 3.5 m/s Distance from the spreader (in m) (Figure taken from: Laudet, A. et al., 1999)	
Amounts used	
Ca(OH) ₂	238,208 kg/ha
Frequency and duration of use	
1 day/year and only once in a lifetime. Multiple applications during the year are allowed, provided the total yearly amount of 238,208 kg/ha is not exceeded (Ca(OH) ₂)	
Environment factors not influenced by risk management	
Field surface area: 1 ha	
Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure	
Outdoor use of products Soil mixing depth: 20 cm	
Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release	
Lime is only applied onto the soil in the technosphere zone before road construction. There are no direct releases to adjacent surface waters.	

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Technical onsite conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil				
Drift should be minimised.				
3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source				
Occupational exposure				
The exposure estimation tool MEASE was used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the refined exposure estimate and the respective DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on the DNEL for calcium dihydroxide of 1 mg/m ³ (as respirable dust) and the respective inhalation exposure estimate derived using MEASE (as inhalable dust). Thus, the RCR includes an additional safety margin since the respirable fraction being a sub-fraction of the inhalable fraction according to EN 481.				
PROC	Method used for inhalation exposure assessment	Inhalation exposure estimate (RCR)	Method used for dermal exposure assessment	Dermal exposure estimate (RCR)
PROC 2, 3, 4, 5, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 26	MEASE	<1 mg/m ³ (0.5 – 0.825)	Since calcium dihydroxide is classified as irritating to skin, dermal exposure has to be minimised as far as technically feasible. A DNEL for dermal effects has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.	
Environmental exposure for agricultural soil protection				
The PEC calculation for soil and surface water was based on the FOCUS soil group (FOCUS, 1996) and on the "draft guidance on the calculation of predicted environmental concentration values (PEC) of plant protection products for soil, ground water, surface water and sediment (Kloskowski et al., 1999). The FOCUS/EXPOSIT modelling tool is preferred to the EUSES as it is more appropriate for agricultural-like application as in this case where parameter as the drift needs to be included in the modelling. FOCUS is a model typically developed for biocidal applications and was further elaborated on the basis of the German EXPOSIT 1.0 model, where parameters such as drifts can be improved according to collected data: once applied on the soil, calcium dihydroxide can indeed migrate then towards surface waters, via drift.				
Environmental emissions	See amounts used			
Exposure concentration in waste water treatment plant (WWTP)	Not relevant for agricultural soil protection			
Exposure concentration in aquatic pelagic compartment	Substance	PEC (ug/L)	PNEC (ug/L)	RCR
	Ca(OH) ₂	7.48	490	0.015
Exposure concentration in sediments	As described above, no exposure of surface water nor sediment to lime is expected. Further, in natural waters the hydroxide ions react with HCO ₃ ⁻ to form water and CO ₃ ²⁻ . CO ₃ ²⁻ forms CaCO ₃ by reacting with Ca ²⁺ . The calcium carbonate precipitates and deposits on the sediment. Calcium carbonate is of low solubility and a constituent of natural soils.			
Exposure concentrations in soil and groundwater	Substance	PEC (mg/L)	PNEC (mg/L)	RCR
	Ca(OH) ₂	660	1080	0.61
Exposure concentration in atmospheric compartment	This point is not relevant. Calcium dihydroxide is not volatile. The vapour pressures is below 10 ⁻⁵ Pa.			
Exposure concentration relevant for the food chain (secondary poisoning)	This point is not relevant because calcium can be considered to be omnipresent and essential in the environment. The uses covered do not significantly influence the distribution of the constituents (Ca ²⁺ and OH ⁻) in the environment.			

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The PEC calculation for soil was based on the FOCUS soil group (FOCUS, 1996) and on the "draft guidance on the calculation of predicted environmental concentration values (PEC) of plant protection products for soil, ground water, surface water and sediment (Kloskowski et al., 1999). The FOCUS/EXPOSIT modelling tool is preferred to the EUSES as it is more appropriate for agricultural-like application as in this case where parameter as the drift needs to be included in the modelling. FOCUS is a model typically developed for biocidal applications and was further elaborated on the basis of the German EXPOSIT 1.0 model, where parameters such as drifts can be improved according to collected data.

Environmental emissions	See amounts used			
Exposure concentration in waste water treatment plant (WWTP)	Not relevant for road border scenario			
Exposure concentration in aquatic pelagic compartment	Not relevant for road border scenario			
Exposure concentration in sediments	Not relevant for road border scenario			
Exposure concentrations in soil and groundwater	Substance	PEC (mg/L)	PNEC (mg/L)	RCR
	Ca(OH) ₂	701	1080	0.65
Exposure concentration in atmospheric compartment	This point is not relevant. Calcium dihydroxide is not volatile. The vapour pressures is below 10 ⁻⁵ Pa.			
Exposure concentration relevant for the food chain (secondary poisoning)	This point is not relevant because calcium can be considered to be omnipresent and essential in the environment. The uses covered do not significantly influence the distribution of the constituents (Ca ²⁺ and OH ⁻) in the environment.			

Environmental exposure for other uses

- For all other uses, no quantitative environmental exposure assessment is carried because
- The operational conditions and risk management measures are less stringent than those outlined for agricultural soil protection or soil treatment in civil engineering
 - Lime is an ingredient and chemically bound into a matrix. Releases are negligible and insufficient to cause a pH-shift in soil, wastewater or surface water
 - Lime is specifically used to release CO₂-free breathable air, upon reaction with CO₂. Such applications only relates to the air compartment, where the lime properties are exploited
 - Neutralisation/pH-shift is the intended use and there are no additional impacts beyond those desired.

4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation and dermal exposure to a level below the respective DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (www.ebrc.de/mease.html) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary. For example, substances with a dustiness less than 2.5 % according to the Rotating Drum Method (RDM) are defined as "low dusty", substances with a dustiness less than 10 % (RDM) are defined as "medium dusty" and substances with a dustiness ≥ 10 % are defined as "high dusty".

DNEL_{inhalation}: 1 mg/m³ (as respirable dust)

Important note: The DU has to be aware of the fact that apart from the long-term DNEL given above, a DNEL for acute effects exists at a level of 4 mg/m³. By demonstrating a safe use when comparing exposure estimates with the long-term DNEL, the acute DNEL is therefore also covered (according to R.14 guidance, acute exposure levels can be derived by multiplying long-term exposure estimates by a factor of 2). When using MEASE for the derivation of exposure estimates, it is noted that the exposure duration should only be reduced to half-shift as a risk management measure (leading to an exposure reduction of 40 %).

ES number 9.10: Professional use of lime substances in soil treatment

Exposure Scenario Format (1) addressing uses carried out by workers				
1. Title				
Free short title	Professional use of lime substances in soil treatment			
Systematic title based on use descriptor	SU22 (appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in Section 2 below)			
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processes, tasks and/or activities covered are described in Section 2 below.			
Assessment Method	The assessment of inhalation exposure is based on measured data and on the exposure estimation tool MEASE. The environmental assessment is based on FOCUS-Exposit.			
2. Operational conditions and risk management measures				
Task/ERC	REACH definition	Involved tasks		
Milling	PROC 5	Preparation and use of calcium dihydroxide for soil treatment.		
Loading of spreader	PROC 8b, PROC 26			
Application to soil (spreading)	PROC 11			
ERC2, ERC8a, ERC8b, ERC8c, ERC8d, ERC8e, ERC8f	Wide dispersive indoor and outdoor use of reactive substances or processing aids in open systems	Calcium dihydroxide is applied in numerous cases of wide dispersive uses: agricultural, forestry, fish and shrimps farming, soil treatment and environmental protection.		
2.1 Control of workers exposure				
Product characteristic				
According to the MEASE approach, the substance-intrinsic emission potential is one of the main exposure determinants. This is reflected by an assignment of a so-called fugacity class in the MEASE tool. For operations conducted with solid substances at ambient temperature the fugacity is based on the dustiness of that substance. Whereas in hot metal operations, fugacity is temperature based, taking into account the process temperature and the melting point of the substance. As a third group, high abrasive tasks are based on the level of abrasion instead of the substance intrinsic emission potential.				
Task	Use in preparation	Content in preparation	Physical form	Emission potential
Milling	not restricted		solid/powder	high
Loading of spreader	not restricted		solid/powder	high
Application to soil (spreading)	not restricted		solid/powder	high
Amounts used				
The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario. Instead, the combination of the scale of operation (industrial vs. professional) and level of containment/automation (as reflected in the PROC) is the main determinant of the process intrinsic emission potential.				
Frequency and duration of use/exposure				
Task	Duration of exposure			
Milling	240 minutes			
Loading of spreader	240 minutes			
Application to soil (spreading)	480 minutes (not restricted)			
Human factors not influenced by risk management				
The shift breathing volume during all process steps reflected in the PROCs is assumed to be 10 m³/shift (8 hours).				
Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure				
Operational conditions (e.g. process temperature and process pressure) are not considered relevant for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes.				

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Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release				
Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are generally not required in the processes.				
Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker				
Task	Level of separation	Localised controls (LC)	Efficiency of LC	Further information
Milling	Separation of workers is generally not required in the conducted processes.	not required	na	-
Loading of spreader		not required	na	-
Application to soil (spreading)	During application the worker is sitting in the cabin of the spreader	Cabin with filtered air supply	99%	-
Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure				
Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes unless otherwise stated below. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.				
Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation				
Task	Specification of respiratory protective equipment (RPE)	RPE efficiency (assigned protection factor, APF)	Specification of gloves	Further personal protective equipment (PPE)
Milling	FFP3 mask	APF=20	Since calcium dihydroxide is classified as irritating to skin, the use of protective gloves is mandatory for all process steps.	Eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn, unless potential contact with the eye can be excluded by the nature and type of application (i.e. closed process). Additionally, face protection, protective clothing and safety shoes are required to be worn as appropriate.
Loading of spreader	FFP3 mask	APF=20		
Application to soil (spreading)	not required	na		
Any RPE as defined above shall only be worn if the following principles are implemented in parallel: The duration of work (compare with "duration of exposure" above) should reflect the additional physiological stress for the worker due to the breathing resistance and mass of the RPE itself, due to the increased thermal stress by enclosing the head. In addition, it shall be considered that the worker's capability of using tools and of communicating are reduced during the wearing of RPE. For reasons as given above, the worker should therefore be (i) healthy (especially in view of medical problems that may affect the use of RPE), (ii) have suitable facial characteristics reducing leakages between face and mask (in view of scars and facial hair). The recommended devices above which rely on a tight face seal will not provide the required protection unless they fit the contours of the face properly and securely. The employer and self-employed persons have legal responsibilities for the maintenance and issue of respiratory protective devices and the management of their correct use in the workplace. Therefore, they should define and document a suitable policy for a respiratory protective device programme including training of the workers. An overview of the APFs of different RPE (according to BS EN 529:2005) can be found in the glossary of MEASE.				

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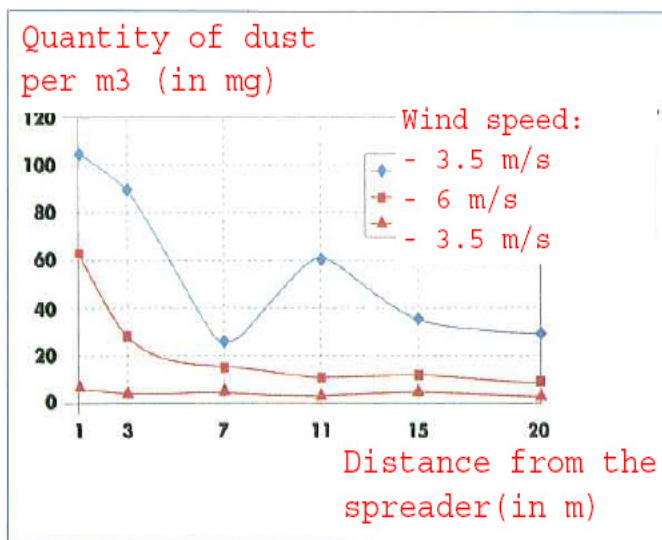
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2.2 Control of environmental exposure – only relevant for agricultural soil protection

Product characteristics

Drift: 1% (very worst-case estimate based on data from dust measurements in air as a function of the distance from application)



(Figure taken from: Laudet, A. et al., 1999)

Amounts used

Ca(OH) ₂	2,244 kg/ha
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Frequency and duration of use

1 day/year (one application per year). Multiple applications during the year are allowed, provided the total yearly amount of 2,244 kg/ha is not exceeded (Ca(OH)₂)

Environment factors not influenced by risk management

Volume of surface water: 300 L/m²
Field surface area: 1 ha

Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure

Outdoor use of products
Soil mixing depth: 20 cm

Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

There are no direct releases to adjacent surface waters.

Technical conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil

Drift should be minimised.

Organizational measures to prevent/limit release from site

In line with the requirements for good agricultural practice, agricultural soil should be analysed prior to application of lime and the application rate should be adjusted according to the results of the analysis.

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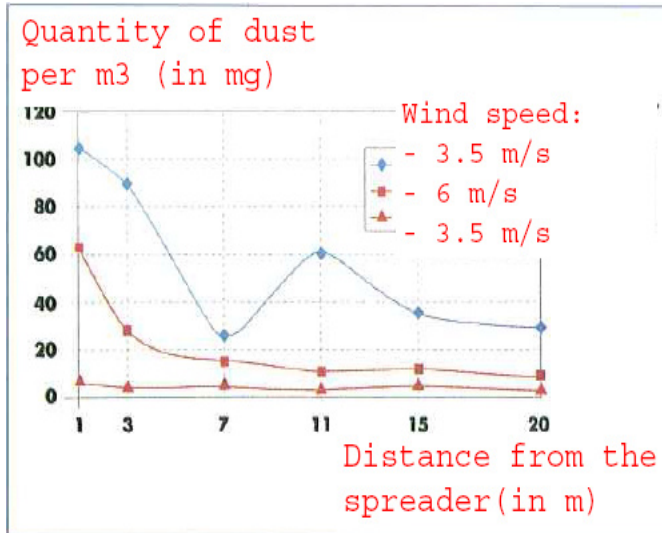
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2.2 Control of environmental exposure – only relevant for soil treatment in civil engineering

Product characteristics

Drift: 1% (very worst-case estimate based on data from dust measurements in air as a function of the distance from application)



(Figure taken from: Laudet, A. et al., 1999)

Amounts used

Ca(OH) ₂	238,208 kg/ha
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Frequency and duration of use

1 day/year and only once in a lifetime. Multiple applications during the year are allowed, provided the total yearly amount of 238,208 kg/ha is not exceeded (Ca(OH)₂)

Environment factors not influenced by risk management

Field surface area: 1 ha

Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure

Outdoor use of products
Soil mixing depth: 20 cm

Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Lime is only applied onto the soil in the technosphere zone before road construction. There are no direct releases to adjacent surface waters.

Technical onsite conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil

Drift should be minimised.

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3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

Occupational exposure

Measured data and modelled exposure estimates (MEASE) were used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the refined exposure estimate and the respective DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on the DNEL for calcium dihydroxide of 1 mg/m³ (as respirable dust).

Task	Method used for inhalation exposure assessment	Inhalation exposure estimate (RCR)	Method used for dermal exposure assessment	Dermal exposure estimate (RCR)
Milling	MEASE	0.488 mg/m ³ (0.48)	Since calcium dihydroxide is classified as irritating to skin, dermal exposure has to be minimised as far as technically feasible. A DNEL for dermal effects has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.	
Loading of spreader	MEASE (PROC 8b)	0.488 mg/m ³ (0.48)		
Application to soil (spreading)	measured data	0.880 mg/m ³ (0.88)		

Environmental exposure for agricultural soil protection

The PEC calculation for soil and surface water was based on the FOCUS soil group (FOCUS, 1996) and on the "draft guidance on the calculation of predicted environmental concentration values (PEC) of plant protection products for soil, ground water, surface water and sediment (Kloskowski et al., 1999). The FOCUS/EXPOSIT modelling tool is preferred to the EUSES as it is more appropriate for agricultural-like application as in this case where parameter as the drift needs to be included in the modelling. FOCUS is a model typically developed for biocidal applications and was further elaborated on the basis of the German EXPOSIT 1.0 model, where parameters such as drifts can be improved according to collected data: once applied on the soil, calcium dihydroxide can indeed migrate then towards surface waters, via drift.

Environmental emissions	See amounts used			
Exposure concentration in waste water treatment plant (WWTP)	Not relevant for agricultural soil protection			
Exposure concentration in aquatic pelagic compartment	Substance	PEC (ug/L)	PNEC (ug/L)	RCR
	Ca(OH) ₂	7.48	490	0.015
Exposure concentration in sediments	As described above, no exposure of surface water nor sediment to lime is expected. Further, in natural waters the hydroxide ions react with HCO ₃ ⁻ to form water and CO ₃ ²⁻ . CO ₃ ²⁻ forms CaCO ₃ by reacting with Ca ²⁺ . The calcium carbonate precipitates and deposits on the sediment. Calcium carbonate is of low solubility and a constituent of natural soils.			
Exposure concentrations in soil and groundwater	Substance	PEC (mg/L)	PNEC (mg/L)	RCR
	Ca(OH) ₂	660	1080	0.61
Exposure concentration in atmospheric compartment	This point is not relevant. Calcium dihydroxide is not volatile. The vapour pressures is below 10 ⁻⁵ Pa.			
Exposure concentration relevant for the food chain (secondary poisoning)	This point is not relevant because calcium can be considered to be omnipresent and essential in the environment. The uses covered do not significantly influence the distribution of the constituents (Ca ²⁺ and OH ⁻) in the environment.			

Environmental exposure for soil treatment in civil engineering

The soil treatment in civil engineering scenario is based on a road border scenario. At the special road border technical meeting (Ispra, September 5, 2003), EU Member States and industry agreed on a definition for a "road technosphere". The road technosphere can be defined as "the engineered environment that carries the geotechnical functions of the road in connection with its structure, operation and maintenance including the installations to ensure road safety and manage run off. This technosphere, which includes the hard and soft shoulder at the edge of the carriageway, is vertically dictated by the groundwater watertable. The road authority has responsibility for this road technosphere including road safety, road support, prevention of pollution and water management". The road technosphere was therefore excluded as assessment endpoint for risk assessment for the purpose of the existing/new substances regulations. The target zone is the zone beyond the technosphere, to which the environmental risk assessment applies.

The PEC calculation for soil was based on the FOCUS soil group (FOCUS, 1996) and on the "draft guidance on the calculation of predicted environmental concentration values (PEC) of plant protection products for soil, ground water, surface water and sediment (Kloskowski et al., 1999). The FOCUS/EXPOSIT modelling tool is preferred to the EUSES as it is more appropriate for agricultural-like application as in this case where parameter as the drift needs to be included in the modelling. FOCUS is a model typically developed for biocidal applications and was further elaborated on the basis of the German EXPOSIT 1.0 model, where parameters such as drifts can be improved according to collected data.

Environmental emissions	See amounts used
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Exposure concentration in waste water treatment plant (WWTP)	Not relevant for road border scenario			
Exposure concentration in aquatic pelagic compartment	Not relevant for road border scenario			
Exposure concentration in sediments	Not relevant for road border scenario			
Exposure concentrations in soil and groundwater	Substance	PEC (mg/L)	PNEC (mg/L)	RCR
	Ca(OH)2	701	1080	0.65
Exposure concentration in atmospheric compartment	This point is not relevant. Calcium dihydroxide is not volatile. The vapour pressures is below 10 ⁻⁵ Pa.			
Exposure concentration relevant for the food chain (secondary poisoning)	This point is not relevant because calcium can be considered to be omnipresent and essential in the environment. The uses covered do not significantly influence the distribution of the constituents (Ca2+ and OH-) in the environment.			
Environmental exposure for other uses				
For all other uses, no quantitative environmental exposure assessment is carried because				
- The operational conditions and risk management measures are less stringent than those outlined for agricultural soil protection or soil treatment in civil engineering - Lime is an ingredient and chemically bound into a matrix. Releases are negligible and insufficient to cause a pH-shift in soil, wastewater or surface water - Lime is specifically used to release CO2-free breathable air, upon reaction with CO2. Such applications only relates to the air compartment, where the lime properties are exploited - Neutralisation/pH-shift is the intended use and there are no additional impacts beyond those desired.				
4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES				
The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation and dermal exposure to a level below the respective DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (www.ebrc.de/mease.html) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary. For example, substances with a dustiness less than 2.5 % according to the Rotating Drum Method (RDM) are defined as "low dusty", substances with a dustiness less than 10 % (RDM) are defined as "medium dusty" and substances with a dustiness ≥10 % are defined as "high dusty". DNEL_{inhalation}: 1 mg/m³ (as respirable dust) <u>Important note:</u> The DU has to be aware of the fact that apart from the long-term DNEL given above, a DNEL for acute effects exists at a level of 4 mg/m³. By demonstrating a safe use when comparing exposure estimates with the long-term DNEL, the acute DNEL is therefore also covered (according to R.14 guidance, acute exposure levels can be derived by multiplying long-term exposure estimates by a factor of 2). When using MEASE for the derivation of exposure estimates, it is noted that the exposure duration should only be reduced to half-shift as a risk management measure (leading to an exposure reduction of 40 %).				

ES number 9.14: Consumer use of garden lime/fertilizer

Exposure Scenario Format (2) addressing uses carried out by consumers				
1. Title				
Free short title	Consumer use of garden lime/fertilizer			
Systematic title based on use descriptor	SU21, PC20, PC12, ERC8e			
Processes, tasks activities covered	Manual application of garden lime, fertilizer Post-application exposure			
Assessment Method*	Human health A qualitative assessment has been performed for oral and dermal exposure as well as for the exposure to the eye. The dust exposure has been assessed by the Dutch model (van Hemmen, 1992). Environment A qualitative justification assessment is provided.			
2. Operational conditions and risk management measures				
RMM	No product integrated risk management measures are in place.			
PC/ERC	Description of activity referring to article categories (AC) and environmental release categories (ERC)			
PC 20	Surface spreading of the garden lime by shovel/hand (worst case) and soil incorporation. Post-application exposure to playing children.			
PC 12	Surface spreading of the garden lime by shovel/ hand (worst case) and soil incorporation. Post-application exposure to playing children.			
ERC 8e	Wide dispersive outdoor use of reactive substances in open systems			
2.1 Control of consumers exposure				
Product characteristic				
Description of the preparation	Concentration of the substance in the preparation	Physical state of the preparation	Dustiness (if relevant)	Packaging design
Garden lime	100 %	Solid, powder	High dusty	Bulk in bags or containers of 5, 10 and 25 kg
Fertilizer	Up to 20 %	Solid, granular	Low dusty	Bulk in bags or containers of 5, 10 and 25 kg
Amounts used				
Description of the preparation	Amount used per event		Source of information	
Garden lime	100g /m ² (up to 200g/m ²)		Information and direction of use	
Fertilizer	100g /m ² (up to 1kg/m ² (compost))		Information and direction of use	
Frequency and duration of use/exposure				
Description of the task	Duration of exposure per event		frequency of events	
Manual application	Minutes-hours Depending on the size of the treated area		1 tasks per year	
Post-application	2 h (toddlers playing on grass (EPA exposure factors handbook))		Relevant for up to 7 days after application	
Human factors not influenced by risk management				
Description of the task	Population exposed	Breathing rate	Exposed body part	Corresponding skin area [cm ²]
Manual application	Adult	1.25 m ³ /hr	Hands and forearms	1900 (DIY fact sheet)
Post-application	Child/Toddlers	NR	NR	NR
Other given operational conditions affecting consumers exposure				
Description of the task	Indoor/outdoor	Room volume	Air exchange rate	
Manual application	outdoor	1 m ³ (personal space, small area around the user)	NR	
Post-application	outdoor	NR	NR	
Conditions and measures related to information and behavioural advice to consumers				
Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not breathe dust. Use a filtering half mask (mask type FFP2 acc. to EN 149). Keep container closed and out of reach of children. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not mix with acids and always add limes to water and not water to limes. Incorporation of the garden lime or fertilizer into the soil with subsequent watering will facilitate the effect.				
Conditions and measures related to personal protection and hygiene				
Wear suitable gloves, goggles and protection clothes.				

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2.2 Control of environmental exposure

Product characteristics

Drift: 1 % (very worst-case estimate based on data from dust measurements in air as a function of the distance from application)

Amounts used

Amount used	Ca(OH) ₂	2,244 kg/ha	In professional agricultural soil protection, it is recommended not to exceed 1700 kg CaO/ha or the corresponding amount of 2244 kg Ca(OH) ₂ /ha. This rate is three times the amount needed to compensate the annual losses of lime by leaching. For this reason, the value of 1700 kg CaO/ha or the corresponding amount of 2244 kg Ca(OH) ₂ /ha is used in this dossier as the basis for the risk assessment. The amount used for the other lime variants can be calculated based on their composition and the molecular weight.
	CaO	1,700 kg/ha	
	CaO.MgO	1,478 kg/ha	
	Ca(OH) ₂ .Mg(OH) ₂	2,030 kg/ha	
	CaCO ₃ .MgO	2,149 kg/ha	
	Ca(OH) ₂ .MgO	1,774 kg/ha	
	Natural hydraulic lime	2,420 kg/ha	

Frequency and duration of use

1 day/year (one application per year) Multiple applications during the year are allowed, provided the total yearly amount of 2,244 kg/ha is not exceeded (Ca(OH)₂)

Environment factors not influenced by risk management

Not relevant for exposure assessment

Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure

Outdoor use of products
Soil mixing depth: 20 cm

Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

There are no direct releases to adjacent surface waters.

Technical conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil

Drift should be minimised.

Conditions and measures related to municipal sewage treatment plant

Not relevant for exposure assessment

Conditions and measures related to external treatment of waste for disposal

Not relevant for exposure assessment

Conditions and measures related to external recovery of waste

Not relevant for exposure assessment

3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the refined exposure estimate and the respective DNEL (derived no-effect level) and is given in parentheses below. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on the long-term DNEL for lime substances of 1 mg/m³ (as respirable dust) and the respective inhalation exposure estimate (as inhalable dust). Thus, the RCR includes an additional safety margin since the respirable fraction is a sub-fraction of the inhalable fraction according to EN 481.

Since lime substances are classified as irritating to skin and eyes a qualitative assessment has been performed for dermal exposure and exposure to the eye.

Human exposure

Manual application

Route of exposure	Exposure estimate	Method used, comments
Oral	-	Qualitative assessment Oral exposure does not occur as part of the intended product use.
Dermal	Dust, powder	Qualitative assessment If risk reduction measures are taken into account no human exposure is expected. However, dermal contact to dust from application of lime substances or by direct contact to the limes cannot be excluded if no protective gloves are worn during application. Due to the relatively long application time, skin irritation would be expected. This can easily be avoided by immediate rinsing with water. It would be assumed that consumers who had experience of skin irritation will protect themselves. Therefore, any occurring skin irritation, which will be reversible, can be assumed to be non-recurring.
Eye	Dust	Qualitative assessment If risk reduction measures are taken into account no human exposure is expected. Dust from surfacing with lime cannot be excluded if no protective goggles are used. Prompt rinsing with water and seeking medical advice after accidental exposure is advisable.

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Inhalation (garden lime)	Small task: 12 µg/m³ (0.0012) Large task: 120 µg/m³ (0.012)	Quantitative assessment No model describing the application of powders by shovel/hand is available, therefore, read-across from the dust formation model while pouring powders has been used as a worst case. Dust formation while pouring the powder is addressed by using the dutch model (van Hemmen, 1992, as described in section 9.0.3.1 above).
Inhalation (fertilizer)	Small task: 0.24 µg/m³ (2.4 * 10 ⁻⁴) Large task: 2.4 µg/m³ (0.0024)	Quantitative assessment No model describing the application of powders by shovel/hand is available, therefore, read across from the dust formation model while pouring powders has been used as a worst case. Dust formation while pouring the powder is addressed by using the dutch model (van Hemmen, 1992, as described in section 9.0.3.1 above) and applying a dust reduction factor of 10 for the granular form and a factor of 5 to account for the reduced amount of limes in fertilizer.
Post-application		
According to the PSD (UK Pesticide Safety Directorate, now called CRD) post-application exposure need to be addressed for products which are applied in parks or amateur products used to treat lawns and plants grown in private gardens. In this case exposure of children, who may have access to these areas soon after treatment, needs to be assessed. The US EPA model predicts the post-application exposure to products used in private gardens (e.g. lawns) by toddlers crawling on the treated area and also via the oral route through hand-to-mouth activities. Garden lime or fertilizer including lime is used to treat acidic soil. Therefore, after application to the soil and subsequent watering the hazard driving effect of lime (alkalinity) will be quickly neutralized. Exposure to lime substances will be negligible within a short time after application.		
Environmental exposure		
No quantitative environmental exposure assessment is carried out because the operational conditions and risk management measures for consumer use are less stringent than those outlined for professional agricultural soil protection. Moreover, the neutralisation/pH-effect is the intended and desired effect in the soil compartment. Releases to wastewater are not expected.		

End of safety data sheet