1. Identification

Product Name: Crude Oil (Sour)  
Chemical Family: Petroleum Hydrocarbon Mixture  
Manufacturers Name: Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation  
Address: 1700 Broadway, Suite 2300  
Denver, Colorado 80290  
Product Use: Feedstock for petroleum and petrochemical refining.  
Phone Number for Information: (303) 837-1661  
Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-9300 (Chemtrec)

Crude oil (sour) is a complex mixture of paraffinic, cycloparaffinic and aromatic hydrocarbons covering carbon numbers ranging from C1 to over C60. It is amber to black in color. Crude oil contains small amounts of sulfur, nitrogen and oxygen compounds as well as trace amounts of heavy metals. Crude oil (sour) contains hydrogen sulfide.

2. Hazard Identification

Crude oil (sour) is extremely flammable and can cause eye, skin, gastrointestinal, and respiratory irritation. Inhalation may cause dizziness, nausea, or headache. More serious health effects can occur if crude oil is inhaled or swallowed.

Crude oil (sour) may contain variable amounts of benzene and N-Hexane. Long-term exposure to these materials has been shown to lead to systemic toxicity such leukemia and peripheral neurotoxicity.

DANGER!
FLAMMABLE LIQUID

MAY VENT HARMFUL CONCENTRATIONS OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H2S) GAS WHICH CAN CAUSE RESPIRATORY IRRITATION AND ASPHYXIATION. MAY CONTAIN BENZENE WHICH CAN CAUSE CANCER OR BE TOXIC TO BLOOD-FORMING ORGANS. ASPIRATION OF LIQUID INTO THE LUNGS CAN PRODUCE CHEMICAL PNEUMONIA OR EVEN DEATH.

NO SMOKING!
KEEP AWAY FROM HEAT/SPARKS/OPEN FLAMES/HOT SURFACES. WEAR RESPIRATORY PROTECTION, PROTECTIVE GLOVES, CLOTHING AND EYE WEAR WHEN HANDLING. AVOID RELEASE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT.

Globally Harmonized System (GHS) Information

Physical Hazards Classification
Flammable Liquids, Category 2
Health Hazards Classification
Acute Toxicity (Skin/Dermal), Category 3
Skin Corrosion/irritation, Category 2
Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Category 2a
Carcinogenicity, Category 1B
Specific Target organ toxicity – single exposure, Category 1 (lung), Category 3 (narcotic effects)
Specific Target organ toxicity – repeated exposure, Category 2 (bone marrow, liver, thymus)
Aspiration hazard, Category 1

Environmental Hazards Classification
Acute Toxicity to the aquatic environment, Category 3
Chronic Toxicity to the aquatic environment, Category 3

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<td><strong>Physical Hazards</strong></td>
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<td>Flammable liquid and vapor</td>
<td>Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces – no smoking</td>
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<td>Keep container tightly closed</td>
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<td><strong>Health Hazards</strong></td>
<td>Use explosion proof electrical/ventilation/lighting equipment</td>
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<td>May cause cancer</td>
<td>Use only non-sparking tools</td>
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<td>May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways</td>
<td>Take precautionary measures against static discharge</td>
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<td>Causes eye irritation</td>
<td>Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection</td>
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<td>May cause drowsiness or dizziness</td>
<td>Obtain special instructions before use</td>
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<td>May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure</td>
<td>Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood</td>
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<tr>
<td>Causes mild skin irritation</td>
<td>Wash hands thoroughly after handling</td>
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<td><strong>Environmental Hazards</strong></td>
<td>Do not breathe vapors</td>
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<td>Harmful to aquatic life</td>
<td>Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product</td>
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<td>Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects</td>
<td>Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area</td>
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<td>Avoid release to the environment</td>
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**Response**
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower
In case of fire: use appropriate media for extinction
If exposed or concerned: Get medical attention or advice
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
If irritation persists get medical advice/attention
IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
Collect spillage
IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a poison control center or doctor/physician
Do not induce vomiting

**Storage**
Store locked up
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

**Disposal**
Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations

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### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

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<th>COMPOSITION</th>
<th>CAS NUMBER</th>
<th>PERCENT</th>
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<td>Crude Oil</td>
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<td>May Contain Variable Amounts of:</td>
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<td>Hydrogen Sulfide</td>
<td>7783-06-4</td>
<td>&gt; 10 ppm</td>
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<td>Natural Gas</td>
<td>8005-14-2</td>
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<td>Benzene</td>
<td>71-43-2</td>
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<td>N-Hexane</td>
<td>110-54-3</td>
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### 4. First Aid Measures

**Eye Contact**
Immediately flush eyes, while holding eyelids open, with large amounts of clean, low-pressure tepid water for at least 15 minutes. If symptoms, irritation or injury persists, worsen or develop, seek medical attention.

**Skin Contact**
Remove contaminated clothing/shoes, wipe excess from skin. Immediately flush skin with water for 15 minutes then wash with soap and water. If illness or adverse symptoms develop or irritation persists, seek medical attention. Discard contaminated leather goods.

**Inhalation**
Remove victim to fresh air and provide oxygen if breathing labored, shallow, or difficult. Rescuer must wear appropriate supplied air respirator to remove worker from contaminated area to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if victim is not breathing. Seek medical attention immediately*.

**Ingestion**
Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs spontaneously, keep head below hips to prevent aspiration of liquid into the lungs. Seek medical attention.*

*Note to Physician or Health Care Provider
If more than 2.0 ML per KG has been ingested and emesis has not occurred, vomiting should be induced with supervision. Keep victim's head below hips to prevent aspiration. If symptoms such as loss of gag reflex, convulsions or unconsciousness occur before emesis, gastric lavage using a cuffed endotracheal tube should be considered.
Aggravated Medical Conditions
Preexisting eye, skin, and respiratory disorders may be aggravated by exposure to crude oil containing hydrogen sulfide.

5. Fire-Fighting Measures

Extinguishing Media
For small fires, class B fire extinguishing media can be used. Use water fog, foam, dry chemical or CO₂ for larger fires. Do not use a direct stream of water. Product will float and can be reignited on surface of water.

Special Fire Fighting Procedures and Precautions
Warning: Flammable. Clear fire area of unprotected personnel. Do not enter confined fire space without full bunker gear (helmet with face shield, bunker coats, gloves and rubber boots) including a positive pressure NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Cool fire exposed containers with water.

Unusual Fire Explosion Hazards
Container exposed to intense heat from fires should be cooled with water to prevent vapor pressure buildup which could result in container rupture (bleve). Container areas exposed to direct flame contact should be cooled with large quantities of water as needed to prevent weakening of container structure. Sulfur oxides and hydrogen sulfide, both of which are toxic, may be released upon combustion.

NFPA Ratings
Health – 3
Flammability – 3
Reactivity – 0
Other – 0

Key: Least-0; Slight-1; Moderate-2; High-3; Extreme-4

6. Accidental Release Measures

Keep the public away. Isolate and evacuate the area. Eliminate all ignition sources. Handling equipment must be grounded to prevent sparking.

*** Large Spills *** Evacuate the hazard area of unprotected personnel. Wear appropriate respirator and protective clothing. If safe to do so, shut off source of leak. Dike and contain with sand or soil. If vapor cloud forms, water fog may be used to suppress. Contain run-off. Remove with vacuum trucks or pump to storage/salvage vessels. Soak up residue with an absorbent such as clay, sand or other suitable material; place in non-leaking containers for proper disposal. Flush area with water to remove trace residue and dispose of flush solutions as above.

*** Small Spills *** Take up with an absorbent material and place in non-leaking containers; seal tightly for proper disposal.
7. Handling and Storage

Comply with all regulatory requirements. Store in suitable tanks or closed and labeled containers in a cool, well-ventilated area.

Keep liquid and vapor away from heat, sparks and flame. Surfaces that are sufficiently hot may even ignite liquid product in the absence of sparks or flame. Extinguish pilot lights, cigarettes and turn off all other ignition sources until all vapors are gone. Containers, even those that have been emptied, can contain explosive vapors. Do not cut, drill, grind, weld or perform similar operations on or near containers. Static electricity may accumulate and create a fire hazard. Ground fixed equipment. Bond and ground transfer containers and equipment.

Wash hands with soap and water before eating, drinking, smoking or using toilet facilities. Launder contaminated clothing before reuse. Dispose of leather articles including shoes which cannot be decontaminated.

8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Occupational Exposure Limits

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<th>COMPONENT</th>
<th>OSHA PEL</th>
<th>ACGIH TLV TWA</th>
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<tr>
<td>Crude Oil</td>
<td>400 ***</td>
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<td>Natural Gas</td>
<td>Not available</td>
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<td>Hexane</td>
<td>500 ppm</td>
<td>500 ppm/STEL 1000 ppm</td>
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<td>Benzene</td>
<td>1 ppm**/STEL 5 ppm</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hydrogen Sulfide</td>
<td>20 ppm ceiling</td>
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Notes:
** OSHA’s action level is 0.5 ppm (29 CFR 1910.1028)
*** Listed PEL was vacated in 1993

Engineering Controls
Maintain air concentrations below flammable limits and occupational exposure standards for chemical components by using ventilation and other engineering controls.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye/Face Protection
Use safety glasses, chemical splash goggles, or a face shield as appropriate to prevent eye contact.

Skin Protection
Wear chemical resistant gloves and other protective clothing, as required, to minimize skin contact.

Respiratory Protection
Use NIOSH approved respiratory protection, as required, to prevent overexposure to oil mist and vapor. Do not enter storage compartments or hydrogen sulfide areas unless equipped with a NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece and operated in a positive pressure mode.
9. Physical and Chemical Properties

**Appearance and Odor:** Black, dark green or yellow liquid; strong hydrocarbon and possible sulfur (rotten egg like) odor. Note: Hydrogen sulfide causes olfactory fatigue or loss of smell at high concentrations.

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<td>Melting Point/freezing point</td>
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<td>Boiling Point</td>
<td>&lt;100°F</td>
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<td>Flash Point and Method</td>
<td>&lt;60°F to &gt;200°F / Pensky-Martens Closed Cup Tester</td>
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<td>Evaporation Rate</td>
<td>Slower (N-Butyl Acetate =1)</td>
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<td>Flammable Limits</td>
<td>(approximate % Volume in air) Lower: 1.0Upper:7</td>
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<td>Vapor Pressure</td>
<td>0-724 mm Hg</td>
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<td>Specific Gravity</td>
<td>0.7-1.0 (H₂O=1.0)</td>
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<td>Vapor Density</td>
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<td>Solubility</td>
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<td>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)</td>
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<td>Decomposition temperature</td>
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<td>Viscosity</td>
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10. Stability and Reactivity

**Stability:** Stable

**Hazardous polymerization:** Will not occur

**Conditions and Materials to Avoid:** Avoid heat, sparks, flame and contact with strong oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Thermal decomposition products are highly dependent on the combustion conditions. A complex mixture of airborne, solid, liquid, particulates and gases will evolve when this material undergoes pyrolysis or combustion. Carbon monoxide (CO), sulfur dioxide (SO₂) and other unidentified organic compounds may be formed upon combustion.

11. Toxicological Information

**Acute toxicity** - Ingestion may cause irritation of the mouth, throat & gastrointestinal tract leading to nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and restlessness. Vapors can be harmful or fatal if inhaled. Exposure may result in central nervous system (CNS) depression. Early to moderate CNS depression may be evidenced by giddiness, headache, dizziness and nausea; in extreme cases, unconsciousness and death may occur.

Hydrogen sulfide (H₂S) gas may accumulate in storage tanks and bulk transport compartments containing petroleum crudes or condensates. Prolonged breathing (greater than one hour) of concentrations of H₂S around 50 ppm can produce eye and respiratory tract irritation; levels of 250 to 600 ppm will result in fluid in the lungs (pulmonary edema), and concentrations around 1,000 ppm will cause unconsciousness and death in a short period of time. The sense of smell rapidly become insensitive to this toxic, colorless gas and the odor of condensate may mask the odor of H₂S. Therefore, odor cannot be relied upon as an indicator of concentration of the gas.
Skin corrosion/irritation - Based on the presence of light hydrocarbons and H₂S, crude oil (sour) is presumed to be moderately irritating to the skin. Prolonged and repeated contact may cause various skin disorders such as dermatitis, folliculitis, oil acne, or skin tumors.

Eye damage/irritation - Based on the presence of light hydrocarbons and H₂S, crude oil (sour) is presumed to be moderately irritating to the eyes.

Sensitization - Not known to cause respiratory or skin sensitization

Germ cell mutagenicity – Information not available

Carcinogenicity – May contain benzene which is a confirmed human carcinogen (leukemia). Also, several long term skin painting studies in experimental animals have shown crude oil to produce skin cancer.

Reproductive toxicity – Not a known reproductive toxin

Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity – Blood/bone marrow, nervous system, respiratory system, eyes

Aspiration hazard – Aspiration of this product into the lungs can cause chemical pneumonia and can be fatal. Aspiration can occur while vomiting after ingestion of this product. Aspiration pneumonitis may be evidenced by coughing, labored breathing and cyanosis (bluish skin); in severe cases death may occur.

12. Ecological Information

Coating action of oil can kill birds, plankton, algae and fish. Keep out of all bodies of water and sewage drainage systems.

13. Disposal Considerations

This product as produced is not specifically listed as an EPA RCRA hazardous waste according to 40 CFR 261. However, when disposed of, it may meet the criteria of a “characteristic” hazardous waste (e.g. D001 – ignitable). This product could also contain benzene and could be considered hazardous because it exhibits the characteristic of “toxicity.” It is the responsibility of the user to determine if the material is considered hazardous for disposal under federal, state and local regulations.

14. Transportation Information

Department of Transportation Classification: Flammable liquid if flash point <200°F.
D.O.T. proper shipping name: Crude Oil Petroleum
Other Requirements: UN 1267
Hazard Class: 3
Packing Group II
15. Regulatory Information

TSCA This product is listed on the TSCA chemical inventory.

SARA Section 302 This product contains hydrogen sulfide which has been listed on the EPA’s extremely hazardous substance list.

SARA Section 304 This product may contain the following component(s) which in the event of a spill may be subject to SARA reporting requirements: hydrogen sulfide, toluene, xylene, hexane, benzene.

SARA Section 311/312 The following hazard categories apply to this product:
- Acute health hazard
- Chronic health hazard
- Fire hazard

SARA Section 313 This product may contain the following component(s) which may be subject to reporting on a toxic release inventory: hydrogen sulfide, toluene, xylene, hexane, benzene.

EPA-CWA Spills into or leading to surface waters that cause a sheen must be reported to the National Response Center, 800-424-8802.

16. Other Information

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