

# ATMOSPHERIC PRODUCTS AND SERVICES (APS)

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# SafetyAlert-37 Chemical Security

Atmospheric Products and Services (APS) is committed to promoting the safety of its employees, customers, and the general public. After the tragic events of September 11, 2001, the company increased its focus on an important aspect of safety—security. As part of this effort, APS enthusiastically endorsed the new Security Code of Responsible Care®, which requires all member companies of the American Chemistry Council (ACC) to assess the potential vulnerabilities of their facilities. While ACC requires these assessments to be conducted for domestic facilities over a period of several years, APS reviewed all of its facilities in the U.S. and overseas in the first year of the new program.

APS has also increased its focus on the security of company products, particularly those considered high-risk. The company has reviewed and updated security procedures to prevent these products from being obtained by individuals who might misuse them. For example, APS has taken measures to ensure the security of high-risk products during transport. In addition, the company has implemented procedures to ensure that only legitimate customers may purchase these materials. As a result of this increased security, those who would try to obtain such materials for unintended use may turn to sources that may be less secure. For this reason, APS is recommending that all of its customers review their security measures to prevent potential thefts. These recommendations are not limited to industrial users—universities, analytical labs, distributors, and others receiving these products should check their security procedures.

All chemicals should be secure, but particular attention should be paid to chemicals that could be misused for illegal purposes. APS can help its customers identify these products. In addition, extra care should be taken to minimize the quantities of these materials kept on-site. For example, customers should consider ordering quantities that will be used within a reasonable time frame and promptly returning any excess materials when projects are completed.

Maintaining the security of company facilities and products is an effort APS takes very seriously. APS encourages its customers to do likewise.

## Information Sources

- Compressed Gas Association
   1725 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1004
   Arlington, VA 22202-4102
   Phone: 1-703-412-0900
- National Fire Protection Association 1 Batterymarch Park, P.O. Box 9101 Quincy, MA 02269-9101 Phone: 1-800-344-3555

Responsible Care

# Emergency Response Telephone Numbers <u>USA</u>

#### CHEMTRAC

1-800-424-9300 (Toll Free in the U.S., Canada, and U.S. Virgin Islands) 703-527-3887 for calls originating elsewhere (Collect calls are accepted)

#### CHEM-TEL, INC.

1-800-255-3924 (Toll Free in the U.S., Canada, and U.S. Virgin Islands) 813-248-0585 for calls originating elsewhere (Collect calls are accepted)

#### INFOTRAC

1-800-535-5053 (Toll Free in the U.S., Canada, and U.S. Virgin Islands) 352-323-3500 for calls originating elsewhere (Collect calls are accepted)

#### **3E COMPANY**

1-800-451-8346 (Toll Free in the U.S., Canada, and U.S. Virgin Islands) 760-602-8703 for calls originating elsewhere (Collect calls are accepted)

NATIONAL RESPONSE CENTER (NRC) Call NRC (24 Hours) 1-800-424-8802 (Toll Free in the U.S., Canada, and U.S. Virgin Islands) 202-267-2675 in the District of Columbia

## MILITARY SHIPMENTS

703-697-0218 Explosives/Ammunition Incidents (Collect calls accepted) 1-800-851-8061 All other dangerous goods incidents

NATIONWIDE POISON CONTROL CENTER (United States Only) 1-800-222-1222 (Toll Free in the U.S.)

### **CANADA**

CANUTEC 613-996-6666 (Collect calls are accepted) \*666 Cellular (In Canada only)

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