NiCd Material Safety Data Sheet

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Product Name: <u>Nickel Cadmium Battery</u> Chemical Systems: <u>Nickel-Cadmium</u>

Designed for Recharge: Yes

SECTION I-MANUFACTURER INFORMATION

AA Portable Power Corp. 860S 19th St. unit A, Richmond,CA,94804 USA

Telephone Number for Information:510-525-2328

SECTION II-HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

IMPORTANT NOTE:

The battery should not be opened or burned. Exposure to the ingredients contained within or their combustion products could be harmful.

MATERIAL OR INGREDIENTS	% W. t.
Cadmium	8-22
as cadmium metal	
cadmium oxide	
cadmium hydroxide	
Cobalt	1-2
as cobalt metal	
cobalt oxide	
cobalt hydroxide	
Nickel	20-30
as nickel metal	
nickel oxide	
nickel hydroxide	
Mercury	0-0.0005
Lead	0-0.004
as lead metal	
lead oxide	
Potassium Hydroxide	< 6
Sodium Hydroxide	< 6

SECTION III - PHYSICAL / CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS

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Boiling Point	Specific Gravity (H ₂ O=1)			
N.A.	N.A.			
Vapor Pressure (mm Hg)	Melting Point			
N.A.	N.A.			
Vapor Density (AIR=1)	Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate)			
N.A.	N.A.			
Solubility in Water				
N.A.				
Appearance and Odor				
Cylindrical Shape, odorless				

SECTION IV - REACTIVITY DATA

Stability	Unstable		Conditions to Avoid		
	Stable	X			
Incompatibility (Materials to Avoid)					
Hazardous Decomposition or Byproducts					
Hazardous Polymerization	May Occur		Conditions to Avoid		
-	Will Not Occur	X			

SECTION V -FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA

If fire or explosion occurs when batteries are on charge, shut off power to charge.

In case of fire, it is permissible to use any class of extinguishing medium on these batteries or their packing materials. Cool exterior of batteries if exposed to fire to prevent rupture.

Fire fighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Nickel-Cadmium batteries involved in a fire can vent and produce toxic fumes including nickel, nickel oxide, cadmium, cadmium oxides, and cobalt oxides.

SECTION VI - HEALTH HAZARD DATA

Under normal conditions of use, the battery is hermetically sealed.

Ingestion:

Swallowing a battery can be harmful.

Contents of an open battery can cause serious chemical burns of mouth, esophagus, and gastrointestinal tract.

Inhalation:

Contents of an open battery can cause respiratory irritation. Hypersensitivity to nickel can cause allergic pulmonary asthma. Provide fresh air and seek medical attention.

Skin Contact:

Contents of an open battery can cause skin irritation and/or chemical burns. Nickel, nickel compounds, cobalt, and cobalt compounds can cause skin sensitization and an allergic contact dermatitis. Remove contaminated clothing and wash skin with soap and water. If a chemical burn occurs or if irritation persists, seek medical attention.

Eye Contact:

Contents of an open battery can cause severe irritation and chemical burns. Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes, lifting upper and lower lids, until no evidence of the chemical remains. Seek medical attention.

SECTION VII- PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING AND USE

Storage:

Store in a cool, well ventilated area. Elevated temperatures can result in shortened battery life.

Mechanical Containment:

Never seal or encapsulate nickel metal hydride batteries.

Do not obstruct safety release vents on batteries. Encapsulation (potting) of batteries will not allow cell venting and can cause high pressure rupture.

Handling:

Accidental short circuit for a few seconds will not seriously affect the battery. However, this battery is capable of delivering very high short circuit currents. Prolonged short circuits will cause high cell temperatures which can cause skin burns. Sources of short circuits include jumbled batteries in bulk containers, metal jewelry, and metal covered tables or metal belts used for assembly of batteries into devices.

Do not open battery. The negative electrode material may be pyrophoric. Should an individual cell from a battery become disassembled, spontaneous combustion of the negative electrode is possible. This is much more likely to happen if the electrode is removed from its metal container. There can be a delay between exposure to air and spontaneous combustion.

Charging:

This battery is made to be charged many times. Because it gradually loses its charge over a few months, it is good practice to charge battery before use. Use recommended charger. Improper charging can cause heat damage or even high pressure rupture. Observe proper charging polarity.

SECTION VIII-ACCIDENTAL RELEASE OR SPILLAGE

Steps to Be Taken in Case Material is Released or Spilled

Batteries that are leakage should be handled with rubber gloves. Avoid direct contact with electrolyte. Wear protective clothing and a positive pressure Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)

SECTION IX-SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

Ventilation Requirements:

Not necessary under normal conditions.

Respiratory Protection:

Not necessary under normal conditions.

Eye Protection:

Not necessary under normal conditions. Wear safety glasses with side shields if handling an open or leaking battery.

Gloves:

Not necessary under normal conditions. Use neoprene or natural rubber gloves if handling an open or leaking battery.

Open Battery Storage:

Battery should not be opened. Should a cell become disassembled, the electrode should be stored in a fireproof cabinet, away from combustibles.

Keep batteries between -20°C and 35°C for prolong storage.

When the cells are closed to fully charged, the storage temperature should be between -20° C and 30° C and should be controlled at $10\text{-}20^{\circ}$ C during transportation and packed with efficient air ventilation.

SECTION X-EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSON PROTECTION

Occupational E	Exposure Limits: LTEP	STEP	
	N.A.	N.A.	
Respiratory Protection (Specify Type)			
	N.A.		
Ventilation	Local Exhausts	Special	
	N.A.	N.A.	
	Mechanical (General)	Other	
	N.A.	N.A.	
Protective Glov	ves	Eye Protection	
	N.A.	N.A.	
Other Protective Clothing or Equipment			
N.A.			
Work / Hygienic Practices			
N.A.			

SECTION XI-ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

N.A.

SECTION XII - DISPOSAL METHOD

Dispose of batteries according to government regulations.

SECTION XIII – TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

JJJ batteries are considered to be "Dry cell" batteries and are unregulated for purposes of transportation by the U.S. Department of Transportation(DOT), International Civil Aviation Administration (ICAO), International Air Transport Association (IATA) and International Maritime Dangerous Goods Regulations (IMDG). The only DOT requirement for shipping these batteries is special provision 130 which states: "Batteries, not subject to the requirements of this subchapter only when they are offered for transportation in a manner that prevents the dangerous evolution of heat (For example, by the effective insulation of exposed terminals). As of 1/1/97 IATA requires that batteries being transported by air must be protected from short-circuiting and protected from movement that could lead to short-circuiting.

SECTION XIV -REGULATORY INFORMATION

Special requirement be according to the local regulatories.

SECTION XV – OTHER INFORMATION

The data in this Material Safety Data Sheet relates only to the specific material designated herein.

SECTION XVI - MEASURES FOR FIRE EXTINCTION

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