

Safety Data Sheet

### Section 1: Product and Company Identification

Absolute Accuracy 4591 S Wayside Dr Houston, TX 77087 (832) 571-2387

Product Code: 662 Synonyms: N/A Recommended Use: CALIBRATION GAS Usage Restrictions: INDUSTRIAL CALIBRATION GAS ONLY

### Section 2: Hazards Identification



Hazard Classification: Flammable (Category 1) Gases Under Pressure

Hazard Statements: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated Extremely flammable gas

Precautionary Statements Prevention: Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

#### Response:

Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so. Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely.

**Storage:** Protect from sunlight. Store in well-ventilated place.

|                | CAS #     | Concentration |
|----------------|-----------|---------------|
| Methane        | 74-82-8   | %50           |
| Carbon Dioxide | 124-38-9  | %35           |
| Nitrogen       | 7727-37-9 | BALANCE       |

|                   | Chemical Substance          | Chemical Family                    | Trade Names   |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Methane           | METHANE, COMPRESSED<br>GAS  | Hydrocarbons, Aliphatic, Saturated | FIRE DAMP; MARSH GAS; METHYL HYDRIDE;<br>NATURAL GAS; METHANE; UN 1971; R50; CH4        |
| Carbon<br>Dioxide | CARBON DIOXIDE, GAS         | Inorganic gases                    | CARBONIC ACID GAS; CARBONIC<br>ANHYDRIDE; CARBON DIOXIDE; CARBON<br>OXIDE; UN 1013; CO2 |
| Nitrogen          | NITROGEN, COMPRESSED<br>GAS | Inorganic gases                    | DIATOMIC NITROGEN; DINITROGEN;<br>NITROGEN; NITROGEN-14; NITROGEN GAS;<br>UN 1066; N2   |

### Section 4: First Aid Measures

|                   | Skin Contact  | Eye Contact  | Ingestion  | Inhalation  | Note to Physicians                  |
|-------------------|---|--|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| Methan<br>e       | Wash exposed skin with soap and water.  | Flush eyes with plenty<br>of water.  | If a large amount is<br>swallowed, get<br>medical attention. | If adverse effects<br>occur, remove to<br>uncontaminated area.<br>Give artificial<br>respiration if not<br>breathing. If breathing<br>is difficult, oxygen<br>should be<br>administered by<br>qualified personnel.<br>Get immediate<br>medical attention. | For inhalation, consider<br>oxygen. |
| Carbon<br>Dioxide | If frostbite or freezing<br>occur, immediately flush<br>with plenty of lukewarm<br>water (105-115 F; 41-46<br>C). DO NOT USE HOT<br>WATER. If warm water<br>is not available, gently<br>wrap affected parts in<br>blankets. Get immediate<br>medical attention. | Contact with liquid:<br>Immediately flush eyes<br>with plenty of water for<br>at least 15 minutes.<br>Then get immediate<br>medical attention. | Do not induce<br>vomiting.                                   | If adverse effects<br>occur, remove to<br>uncontaminated area.<br>Give artificial<br>respiration if not<br>breathing. If breathing<br>is difficult, oxygen<br>should be<br>administered by<br>qualified personnel.<br>Get immediate<br>medical attention. | For inhalation, consider<br>oxygen. |
| Nitroge<br>n      | Wash exposed skin with soap and water.  | Flush eyes with plenty<br>of water.  | If a large amount is<br>swallowed, get<br>medical attention. | If adverse effects<br>occur, remove to<br>uncontaminated area.<br>Give artificial<br>respiration if not<br>breathing. If breathing<br>is difficult, oxygen<br>should be<br>administered by<br>qualified personnel.<br>Get immediate<br>medical attention. | For inhalation, consider<br>oxygen. |

### Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

|                   | Suitable<br>Extinguishing Media   | Products of Combustion                 | Protection of Firefighters   |
|-------------------|---|--|--|
| Methan<br>e       | Carbon dioxide, regular<br>dry chemical Large fires:<br>Use regular foam or flood<br>with fine water spray.                               | Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, water | <ul> <li>Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or<br/>heavy exposure. Any self-contained breathing<br/>apparatus with a full facepiece.</li> <li>Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or<br/>heavy exposure. Any self-contained breathing<br/>apparatus with a full facepiece.</li> </ul> |
| Carbon<br>Dioxide | Non-flammable   | Non-flammable                          | <ul> <li>Any appropriate escape-type, self-contained<br/>breathing apparatus.</li> <li>Non-flammable</li> </ul>  |
| Nitroge<br>n      | Non-flammable. Use<br>suitable extinguishing<br>media for surrounding fire.<br>Cylinders may rupture or<br>explode if exposed to<br>heat. | Non-flammable                          | <ul> <li>Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or<br/>heavy exposure.</li> </ul>   |

### Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

|                   | Personal Precautions   | Environmental Precautions   | Methods for Containment  |
|-------------------|--|---|--|
| Methan<br>e       | Keep unnecessary people away, isolate<br>hazard area and deny entry. Ventilate<br>closed spaces before entering.                                   | Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition.   | Stop leak if possible without personal risk.<br>Reduce vapors with water spray. Remove<br>sources of ignition. |
| Carbon<br>Dioxide | Keep unnecessary people away, isolate<br>hazard area and deny entry. Ventilate<br>closed spaces before entering. Do not<br>touch spilled material. | Subject to California Safe Drinking Water<br>and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986<br>(Proposition 65). Keep out of water supplies<br>and sewers. | Stop leak if possible without personal risk.   |
| Nitroge<br>n      | Keep unnecessary people away, isolate<br>hazard area and deny entry. Stay<br>upwind and keep out of low areas.                                     | No significant effects from contamination expected.   | Stop leak if possible without personal risk.   |

| Methods for Cleanup |   | Other Information |
|---------------------|---|-------------------|
| Methane             | Not available                                   | Not available     |
| Carbon Dioxide      | Stop leak, evacuate, remove source of ignition. | None              |
| Nitrogen            | N/A   | N/A               |

### Section 7: Handling and Storage

|                | Handling  | Storage   |
|----------------|---|---|
| Methane        | Store and handle in accordance with<br>all current regulations and standards.<br>Grounding and bonding required.<br>Subject to storage regulations: U.S.<br>OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101. | Keep separated from incompatible substances.                              |
| Carbon Dioxide | Subject to storage regulations: U.S.<br>OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101. Keep<br>separated from incompatible<br>substances.  | Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards |
| Nitrogen       | Store and handle in accordance with<br>all current regulations and standards.<br>Subject to storage regulations: U.S.<br>OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101.                                    | Keep separated from incompatible substances.                              |

### Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

|                | Exposure Guidelines   |
|----------------|---|
| Methane        | METHANE, COMPRESSED GAS: ALIPHATIC<br>HYDROCARBON GASES ALKANE (C1-C4):<br>1000 ppm ACGIH TWA METHANE: No<br>occupational exposure limits established.<br>ALIPHATIC HYDROCARBON GASES ALKANE<br>(C1-C4): 1000 ppm ACGIH TWA   |
| Carbon Dioxide | CARBON DIOXIDE, GAS: CARBON DIOXIDE:<br>5000 ppm (9000 mg/m3) OSHA TWA 10000<br>ppm (18000 mg/m3) OSHA TWA (vacated by 58<br>FR 35338, June 30, 1993) 30000 ppm (54000<br>mg/m3) OSHA STEL (vacated by 58 FR 35338,<br>June 30, 1993) 5000 ppm ACGIH TWA 30000<br>ppm ACGIH STEL 5000 ppm (9000 mg/m3)<br>NIOSH recommended TWA 10 hour(s) 30000<br>ppm (54000 mg/m3) NIOSH recommended<br>STEL |
| Nitrogen       | NITROGEN, COMPRESSED GAS:<br>NITROGEN: ACGIH (simple asphyxiant)  |

#### **Engineering Controls**

Handle only in fully enclosed systems.

|                   | Eye Protection  | Skin Protection   | Respiratory Protection   |
|-------------------|---|---|--|
| Methane           | Eye protection not required, but recommended.   | Protective clothing is not required.  | Respiratory protection may be needed for<br>frequent or heavy exposure. Any self-<br>contained breathing apparatus with a full<br>facepiece. |
| Carbon<br>Dioxide | For the gas: Eye protection not required,<br>but recommended. For the liquid: Wear<br>splash resistant safety goggles. Contact<br>lenses should not be worn. Provide an<br>emergency eye wash fountain and quick<br>drench shower in the immediate work area. | For the gas: Protective clothing is<br>not required. For the liquid: Wear<br>appropriate protective, cold<br>insulating clothing. | Any appropriate escape-type, self-<br>contained breathing apparatus.   |
| Nitrogen          | Eye protection not required, but recommended.   | Protective clothing is not required.  | Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or heavy exposure.   |

**General Hygiene considerations** 

Avoid breathing vapor or mist

Avoid contact with eyes and skin

Wash thoroughly after handling and before eating or drinking

### **Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

|                           | Physical State | Appearance | Color     | Change in<br>Appearance | Physical Form | Odor     | Taste      |
|---------------------------|----------------|------------|-----------|-------------------------|---------------|----------|------------|
| Meth<br>ane               | Gas            | Colorless  | Colorless | N/A                     | Gas           | Odorless | Tasteless  |
| Carbo<br>n<br>Dioxi<br>de | Gas            | Colorless  | Colorless | N/A                     | Gas           | Odorless | Acid taste |
| Nitro<br>gen              | Gas            | Clear      | Colorless | N/A                     | Gas           | Odorless | Tasteless  |

|             | Flash Point        | Flammability  | Partition Coefficient                                       | Autoignitio<br>n<br>Temperatur<br>e | Upper Explosive<br>Limits | Lower Explosive<br>Limits |
|-------------|--------------------|---------------|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Meth<br>ane | -369 F (-223<br>C) | Not available | 724.44 (log = 2.87)<br>(estimated from water<br>solubility) | 999 F (537 C)                       | 15%                       | 5%                        |

|                           | Flash Point   | Flammability  | Partition Coefficient | Autoignitio<br>n<br>Temperatur<br>e | Upper Explosive<br>Limits | Lower Explosive<br>Limits |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Carb<br>on<br>Dioxi<br>de | Not flammable | Not available | N/A                   | Nonflammable                        | Nonflammable              | Nonflammable              |
| Nitro<br>gen              | Not flammable | Not available | Not available         | Nonflammable                        | Nonflammable              | Nonflammable              |

|                               | Boiling<br>Point    | Freezing<br>Point               | Vapor<br>Pressure       | Vapor<br>Density | Specific<br>Gravity | Water<br>Solubility | рН  | Odor<br>Threshol<br>d | Evaporati<br>on Rate | Viscosi<br>ty           |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Me<br>tha<br>ne               | -260 F (-<br>162 C) | -297 F (-<br>183 C)             | 760 mmHg<br>@ -161 C    | 0.555<br>(Air=1) | Not<br>applicable   | 3.5% @ 17<br>C      | Not<br>applic<br>able   | Not<br>available      | Not<br>applicable    | 0.01118<br>cP @ 27<br>C |
| Car<br>bon<br>Dio<br>xid<br>e | Not<br>available    | -71 F (-57<br>C) @ 4000<br>mmHg | 43700<br>mmHg @<br>21 C | 1.5 (Air=1)      | 1.522 @ 21<br>C     | Soluble             | 3.7<br>(satur<br>ated<br>aqueo<br>us<br>solutio<br>n) @<br>101.3<br>kPa<br>(carbo<br>nic<br>acid) | Not<br>available      | Not<br>applicable    | 0.01657<br>cP @ 0<br>C  |
| Nit<br>rog<br>en              | -321 F (-<br>196 C) | -346 F (-<br>210 C)             | 760 mmHg<br>@ -196 C    | 0.967<br>(Air=1) | Not<br>applicable   | 1.6% @ 20<br>C      | Not<br>applic<br>able   | Not<br>available      | Not<br>applicable    | 0.01787<br>cP @ 27<br>C |

|                           | Molecular<br>Weight | Molecular<br>Formula | Density            | Weight per<br>Gallon | Volatility by<br>Volume | Volatility        | Solvent<br>Solubility  |
|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Meth<br>ane               | 16.04               | C-H4                 | 0.717 g/L<br>@ 0 C | Not available        | Not applicable          | Not<br>applicable | Soluble: Alcohol,<br>ether, benzene,<br>organic solvents           |
| Carb<br>on<br>Dioxi<br>de | 44.01               | C-02                 | 0.114              | Not available        | Not applicable          | Not<br>applicable | Soluble: Alcohol,<br>acetone,<br>hydrocarbons,<br>organic solvents |
| Nitro<br>gen              | 28.0134             | N2                   | 1.2506 g/L         | Not available        | 100%                    | 1                 | Soluble: Liquid<br>ammonia   |

# Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

|                   | Stability                                   | Conditions to Avoid                         | Incompatible Materials   |
|-------------------|---|---|--|
| Methane           | Stable at normal temperatures and pressure. | Stable at normal temperatures and pressure. | Halogens, oxidizing materials, combustible materials   |
| Carbon<br>Dioxide | Stable at normal temperatures and pressure. | Stable at normal temperatures and pressure. | Combustible materials, oxidizing materials, metal salts, reducing agents, metal carbide, metals, bases |
| Nitrogen          | Stable at normal temperatures and pressure. | Stable at normal temperatures and pressure. | Metals, oxidizing materials  |

|                | Hazardous Decomposition Products | Possibility of Hazardous Reactions |  |  |
|----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| Methane        | Oxides of carbon                 | Will not polymerize.               |  |  |
| Carbon Dioxide | Carbon monoxide                  | Will not polymerize.               |  |  |
| Nitrogen       | Oxides of nitrogen               | Will not polymerize.               |  |  |

## Section 11: Toxicology Information

#### Acute Effects

|                   | Oral LD50       | Dermal LD50     | Inhalation   |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Methan<br>e       | Not available   | Not available   | Nausea, vomiting, difficulty breathing, irregular heartbeat,<br>headache, drowsiness, fatigue, dizziness, disorientation,<br>mood swings, tingling sensation, loss of coordination,<br>suffocation, convulsions, unconsciousness, coma |
| Carbon<br>Dioxide | Not established | Not established | Ringing in the ears, nausea, irregular heartbeat, headache,<br>drowsiness, dizziness, tingling sensation, visual<br>disturbances, suffocation, convulsions, coma   |
| Nitroge<br>n      | Not available   | Not available   | Nausea, vomiting, difficulty breathing, headache,<br>drowsiness, dizziness, tingling sensation, loss of<br>coordination, convulsions, coma   |

|        | Eye Irritation                                | Skin Irritation                               | Sensitization        |
|--------|---|---|----------------------|
| Metha  | No information on significant adverse effects | No information on significant adverse effects | Difficulty breathing |
| ne     |   |   |                      |
| Carbon | Irritation, frostbite, blurred vision         | Liquid: blisters, frostbite                   | Difficulty breathing |
| Dioxid |   |   |                      |
| е      |   |   |                      |
| Nitrog | Contact with rapidly expanding gas may        | No information on significant adverse effects | Difficulty breathing |
| en     | cause burns or frostbite                      |   |                      |

#### **Chronic Effects**

|                   | Carcinogenicity | Mutagenicity    | Reproductive Effects | Develo<br>pmenta<br>l<br>Effects |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Methan<br>e       | Not available   | Not available   | Not available        | No data                          |
| Carbon<br>Dioxide | Not available   | Not established | Available.           | No data                          |
| Nitroge<br>n      | Not hazardous   | Not available   | Not available        | No data                          |

### Section 12: Ecological Information

#### Fate and Transport

|                           | Eco toxicity  | Persistence / Degradability   | Bioaccumulation /<br>Accumulation                          | Mobility in Environment                                    |
|---------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Meth<br>ane               | Fish toxicity: Not<br>available<br>Invertibrate toxicity:<br>Not available<br>Algal toxicity: Not<br>available<br>Phyto toxicity: Not<br>available<br>Other toxicity: Not<br>available  | Relatively non-persistent in the<br>environment. Moderately volatile<br>from water. | Accumulates very little in the bodies of living organisms. | Not expected to leach through<br>the soil or the sediment. |
| Carbo<br>n<br>Dioxi<br>de | Fish toxicity: 150000<br>ug/L 48 day(s)<br>(Mortality) Brown<br>trout (Salmo trutta)<br>Invertibrate toxicity:<br>Not available<br>Algal toxicity: Not<br>available<br>Phyto toxicity: Not<br>available<br>Other toxicity: Not<br>available | Relatively non-persistent in the<br>environment. Moderately volatile<br>from water. | Accumulates very little in the bodies of living organisms. | Leaches through the soil                                   |
| Nitro<br>gen              | Fish toxicity: Not<br>available<br>Invertibrate toxicity:   | Not available   | Not available  | Not available  |

| Not available<br>Algal toxicity: Not<br>available<br>Phyto toxicity: Not<br>available<br>Other toxicity: Not<br>available |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
|---|--|--|--|

### Section 13: Disposal Considerations

| Methane        | Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.<br>Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262.<br>Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001. |  |  |
|----------------|---|--|--|
| Carbon Dioxide | Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.  |  |  |
| Nitrogen       | Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.  |  |  |

### Section 14: Transportation Information

### U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101

#### **DOT Information For This Mixture**

| Shipping Name      | Compressed gas, flammable, n.o.s. (Methane, Carbon Dioxide) |
|--------------------|---|
| UN Number          | UN1954  |
| Hazard Class       | 2.1   |
| Hazard Information | FLAMMABLE GAS   |
|                    |   |
|                    |   |

#### **Individual Component Information**

|   | Proper<br>Shipping<br>Name | ID<br>Number | Hazard Class<br>or Division | Packing<br>Group | Labeling<br>Requiremen<br>ts | Passenger<br>Aircraft or<br>Railcar<br>Quantity<br>Limitations | Cargo<br>Aircraft<br>Only<br>Quantity<br>Limitations | Additional<br>Shipping<br>Descriptio<br>n |
|---|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|--|--|---|
| M<br>et<br>h<br>a<br>n<br>e                           | Methane,<br>compressed     | UN1971       | 2.1                         | Not applicable   | 2.1                          | Forbidden  | 150 kg   | N/A                                       |
| C<br>a<br>r<br>b<br>o<br>n<br>D<br>io<br>xi<br>d<br>e | Carbon dioxide             | UN1013       | 2.2                         | Not applicable   | 2.2                          | 75 kg or L   | 150kg  | None                                      |
| N<br>it<br>o<br>g<br>e<br>n                           | Nitrogen,<br>compressed    | UN1066       | 2.2                         | Not applicable   | 2.2                          | 75 kg or L   | 150 kg   | N/A                                       |

### **Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods**

|            | Shipping Name       | UN Number | Class | Packing Group / Risk<br>Group |
|------------|---------------------|-----------|-------|-------------------------------|
| Met<br>han | Methane, compressed | UN1971    | 2.1   | Not applicable                |

| е                             |                      |        |     |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------|-----|----------------|
| Car<br>bon<br>Dio<br>xid<br>e | Carbon dioxide       | UN1013 | 2.2 | Not applicable |
| Nitr<br>oge<br>n              | Nitrogen, compressed | UN1066 | 2.2 | Not applicable |

# Section 15: Regulatory Information

#### **U.S. Regulations**

|        | CERCLA Sections | SARA 355.30    | SARA 355.40    |
|--------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Metha  | Not regulated.  | Not regulated. | Not regulated. |
| ne     |                 |                |                |
| Carbon | Not regulated.  | Not regulated. | Not regulated. |
| Dioxid |                 |                | -              |
| е      |                 |                |                |
| Nitrog | Not regulated.  | Not regulated. | Not regulated. |
| en     | -               | -              | -              |

#### SARA 370.21

|                           | Acute | Chronic | Fire | Reactive | Sudden Release |
|---------------------------|-------|---------|------|----------|----------------|
| Met<br>hane               | Yes   | No      | Yes  | No       | Yes            |
| Carb<br>on<br>Diox<br>ide | Yes   | No      | No   | No       | Yes            |
| Nitr<br>ogen              | Yes   | No      | No   | No       | Yes            |

### SARA 372.65

| Methane        | Not regulated. |
|----------------|----------------|
| Carbon Dioxide | Not regulated. |
| Nitrogen       | Not regulated. |

#### **OSHA Process Safety**

| Methane        | Not regulated. |
|----------------|----------------|
| Carbon Dioxide | Not regulated. |
| Nitrogen       | Not regulated. |

#### **State Regulations**

|                | CA Proposition 65 |
|----------------|-------------------|
| Methane        | Not regulated.    |
| Carbon Dioxide | Not regulated.    |
| Nitrogen       | Not regulated.    |

### **Canadian Regulations**

|                | WHMIS Classification |
|----------------|----------------------|
| Methane        | A, B1                |
| Carbon Dioxide | A                    |
| Nitrogen       | A                    |

### **National Inventory Status**

|       | US Inventory (TSCA)  | TSCA 12b Export Notification | Canada Inventory (DSL/NDSL) |
|-------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Meth  | Listed on inventory. | Not listed.                  | Listed on inventory.        |
| ane   |                      |                              |                             |
| Carb  | Listed on inventory. | Not listed.                  | Listed on inventory.        |
| on    |                      |                              |                             |
| Dioxi |                      |                              |                             |
| de    |                      |                              |                             |
| Nitro | Listed on inventory. | Not listed.                  | Listed on inventory.        |

# Section 16: Other Information

|                | NFPA Rating                             |  |
|----------------|---|--|
| Methane        | HEALTH=0 FIRE=4 REACTIVITY=0            |  |
| Carbon Dioxide | HEALTH=3 FIRE=0 REACTIVITY=0 SPECIAL=SA |  |
| Nitrogen       | HEALTH=0 FIRE=0 REACTIVITY=0 SPECIAL=SA |  |

0 = minimal hazard, 1 = slight hazard, 2 = moderate hazard, 3 = severe hazard, 4 = extreme hazard