# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**PRODUCT NAME(S):** SmartChoice® HC  
**GENERAL USE:** Insecticide  
**CHEMICAL FAMILY:** Organophosphate  
**PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:** Gray to reddish brown granule  
**EPA REGISTRATION NUMBER:** 5481-579  
**MSDS NUMBER:** 464_3  
**CURRENT REVISION DATE:** 15 JANUARY 2015

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- **MEDICAL:** 888-681-4261

## 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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<tr>
<th>Chemical Name</th>
<th>CAS #</th>
<th>Wt%</th>
<th>Hazard(s)</th>
<th>PEL/TLV</th>
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<td>Chlorethoxyfos; (O,O-Diethyl O-(1,2,2,2-tetrachloroethyl)-phosphorothioate); FORTRESS®</td>
<td>54593-83-8</td>
<td>12.9%</td>
<td>Poison</td>
<td>AMVAC AEL = 0.05 mg/m³</td>
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<td>Bifenthrin; 2-Methylbiphenyl-3-ylmethyl (Z)-(1 RS, 3RS)-3-(2-chloro-3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-enyl)-2,2-dimethylcyclopropane carboxylate</td>
<td>82657-04-3</td>
<td>2.1%</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>Inert Ingredients Including:</td>
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<td>Crystalline Silica (as a portion of the inert ingredients)</td>
<td>14808-60-7</td>
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<td>OSHA -10 mg/m³ (respirable)</td>
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<td>Aromatic Hydrocarbons</td>
<td>64742-94-5</td>
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<td>Combustible (OSHA)</td>
<td>ACGIH - 0.05 mg/m³ (respirable)</td>
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<td>100 mg/m³ (Vendor)</td>
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3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:

WARNING! POISON! Fatal if swallowed, inhaled or absorbed through skin or eyes. Repeated inhalation or skin contact may, without symptoms, progressively increase susceptibility to organophosphate poisoning.

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN!

TOXIC to fish, birds and other wildlife. Do not contaminate water bodies with this product.

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ROUTE(S) OF ENTRY: May be fatal if absorbed through the eye or skin, is ingested or is inhaled. May produce acute cholinesterase depression.

SIGNS OF ACUTE OVEREXPOSURE: Acute cholinesterase depression may be evidenced by headache, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps, excessive sweating, salivation and tearing, constricted pupils, blurred vision, tightness in chest, weakness, muscle twitching and confusion; in extreme cases, unconsciousness, convulsions, severe respiratory depression and death may occur. Prolonged exposure to aromatic hydrocarbons may result in congestive effects to a wide variety of internal organs. Symptoms of overexposure include tremors, convulsions, incoordination, decreased locomotion and nasal discharge. Contact with this product may occasionally produce skin sensations such as rashes, numbing, burning or tingling. These skin sensations are reversible and usually subside within 12 hours.

SIGNS OF CHRONIC OVEREXPOSURE: Repeated exposures to small doses of organophosphates may lower the cholinesterase to levels where the above symptoms of acute overexposure are observed.

CARCINOGENICITY: Crystalline silica, a component of one of the formulation ingredients, is listed as a carcinogen. EPA has listed one of the ingredients as a Group C possible human carcinogen based on limited animal data and no human data.

MEDICAL CONDITIONS AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE: Preexisting conditions which lower cholinesterase levels increase vulnerability to cholinesterase depression. These include: (for plasma) genetic cholinesterase deficiency; advanced liver disease; chronic alcoholism; malnutrition; dermatomyositis; existing toxicity from exposure to carbon disulfide; benzalkonium salts, organic mercury compounds, ciguatoxins or solanines; and (for RBC) hemolytic anemias.
4. **FIRST AID MEASURES**

**THE ORGANOPHOSPHATE IN THIS FORMULATION IS A SEVERE CHOLINESTERASE INHIBITOR. A PHYSICIAN SHOULD BE CONTACTED IN ALL CASES OF EXPOSURE TO THIS FORMULATION.**

**CAUTION:** Persons attending victim should avoid direct contact with heavily contaminated clothing or vomitus. Rubber gloves should be worn by the emergency responder or medical personnel while washing the pesticide from skin and hair of the exposed victim.

**EYES:** Immediately flush the eyes with copious amounts of clear, cool running water for a minimum of 15 minutes. Hold the eyelids apart during the flushing to ensure rinsing of the entire surface of the eyes and lids with water. Contact a physician immediately. If there will be a delay in getting medical attention, rinse the eyes for at least another 15 minutes.

**INHALATION:** Remove victim to fresh air. If breathing has ceased, clear the victim's airway and start mouth-to-mouth artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Contact a physician immediately.

**INGESTION:** Induce vomiting immediately by giving two glasses of water and giving Syrup of Ipecac according to directions on the bottle or by sticking finger down throat. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious or convulsing person. Contact a physician immediately.

**SKIN:** Immediately flush all affected areas with large amounts of clear water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing. Do not attempt to neutralize with chemical agents. Wash clothing before reuse. Contact a physician immediately.

**NOTE TO PHYSICIANS:** This is an Organophosphate (OP) Insecticide. Do not wait for laboratory confirmation to treat patients with strong clinical evidence of poisoning. For further information on the treatment of organophosphate poisonings contact your local or state poison control center. Make certain medical personnel are protected from direct contact with contaminated skin, clothing, and vomitus.

Establish airway and oxygenation. IV Atropine sulfate is the antidote of choice against parasympathetic nervous stimulation. If there are signs of parasympathetic stimulation, Atropine Sulfate should be injected at 10 minute intervals in doses of 1 to 2 milligrams until complete atropinization has occurred. Pralidoxime chloride (2-PAM chloride) may also be used as an effective antidote in addition to and while maintaining full atropinization. In adults, an initial dose of 1 gram of 2-PAM should be injected, preferably as an infusion, in 250 cc of saline over a 15 to 20 minute period. If this is not practical, 2-PAM may be administered slowly by intravenous injection as a 5% solution in water over not less than 2 minutes. After about an hour, a second dose of 1 gram of 2-PAM will be indicated if muscle weakness has not been relieved. For infants and children, the dose of 2-PAM is 0.25 grams. Avoid morphine, aminophylline, phenothiazines, reserpine, furosemide and ethacrynic acid. Clear chest by postural drainage. Oxygen administration may be necessary. Observe patient continuously for 48 hours. Repeated exposure to cholinesterase inhibitors may without warning cause prolonged susceptibility to very small doses of any cholinesterase inhibitor. Allow no further exposure until time for cholinesterase regeneration has been attained as determined by a blood test.
4. **FIRST AID MEASURES, cont'd**

Bathe and shampoo contaminated skin and hair. If ingested, empty stomach; activated charcoal may be useful to further limit absorption. If victim is alert, Syrup of Ipecac (2 tablespoons in adults, 1 tablespoon in small children) followed by water (2 glasses for adults, 1 glass for children) is indicated. If symptoms such as loss of gag reflex, convulsions, or unconsciousness occur before emesis, gastric lavage should be considered following intubation with a cuffed endotracheal tube.

This product contains small amounts of an aromatic hydrocarbon solvent. Aspiration of the vomitus may cause aspiration pneumonitis.

5. **FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

**FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES:** This is a nonflammable solid. The active ingredients present will burn in a direct flame.

**HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS:** This product will emit toxic fumes when burned, including carbon monoxide. Vapors of the unburned product may also be hazardous. Contact with the fumes and vapors should be avoided by staying upwind and by wearing impervious clothing and positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus.

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Foam, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, water spray (fog).

**FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTIONS:** Evacuate nonessential personnel from the area. Keep upwind. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and impervious clothing, including gloves and eye protection. Clean all clothing before reuse. Severely contaminated clothing cannot be adequately decontaminated, and must be disposed as a hazardous waste. Shower with soap and water after contact with this product.

6. **ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**GENERAL:** Evacuate personnel and thoroughly ventilate the area. Use adequate ventilation and appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE, see Section 8). Keep bystanders upwind and away from the spill.

**SMALL SPILL:** Sweep or shovel into an open drum. Decontaminate the area and equipment with dilute alkali or ammonia (less than 5% solution) and detergent. Absorb and sweep into the same open drum. Rinse with water, absorb, and add to the waste drum. Close the drum and dispose of properly, according to hazardous waste disposal procedures for your locality.

**LARGE SPILL:** Shovel first, then sweep material into a drum (e.g., overpak) with a plastic bag liner. Spill area and tools can be washed with soap and water or with dilute caustic or aqueous ammonia. Treat the washings as a hazardous waste. See section 13 (Disposal Considerations) for further information.
7. **HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**HANDLING:** Prevent skin contact. Do not breathe fumes. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE, Section 8). Wash thoroughly and change clothes after handling. Wash clothes separately; do not wash heavily contaminated clothing. Dispose of heavily contaminated clothing as a hazardous waste. Keep product away from food drink, cosmetics, and tobacco products. See product label for more detailed handling procedures.

**STORAGE:** Do not contaminate water, food or feed by storage or disposal. Store product in a cool, dry, locked place out of reach of children. Store in original container.

8. **EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS:** A well-ventilated area is recommended for handling this experimental formulation. Use of mechanical or local exhaust systems is recommended.

**RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:** When respiratory protection is required, or concentrations may exceed the PEL, use a NIOSH/MSHA approved air-purifying respirator equipped with organic vapor cartridges or canisters. It is recommended that the canisters be changed whenever breakthrough occurs or eight (8) hours of use has occurred, whichever comes first. For emergency and other conditions where the exposure limit may be greatly exceeded, use an approved positive-pressure, self-contained breathing apparatus or positive-pressure airline with auxiliary self-contained air supply.

**SKIN PROTECTION:** Prevent skin contact. Chemical resistant gloves (preferably nitrile), coveralls or long-sleeved shirt and pants, and chemical resistant shoes or boots, are necessary to prevent skin contamination. A chemical resistant apron or chemical resistant clothing will provide additional protection when there is a risk of spillage or dust formation. Remove contaminated clothing as soon as possible. Wash dirty or contaminated clothing separately from other clothes. Wear clean clothes daily. Wash well with soap and water after handling this product. See the label for more specific instructions.

**EYE PROTECTION:** Safety glasses should be worn whenever working with chemicals. In addition, goggles or a faceshield are required if there is a chance of dust formation.

**OTHER PROTECTION:** There should be an eyewash station and a safety shower in the work area.

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<td><strong>PHYSICAL STATE:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>APPEARANCE:</strong></td>
<td>Gray to reddish brown clay granule</td>
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<td><strong>ODOR:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>ODOR THRESHOLD:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>BOILING POINT:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>MELTING POINT:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>SPECIFIC GRAVITY:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>BULK DENSITY (loose):</strong></td>
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<td><strong>BULK DENSITY (packed):</strong></td>
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<td><strong>VAPOR PRESSURE (mm/Hg):</strong></td>
<td>Approx 2.08 mm Hg @ 68 (from aromatic solvent)</td>
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<td><strong>VAPOR DENSITY (a.i.):</strong></td>
<td>11.6 (air = 1)</td>
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<td><strong>PERCENT VOLATILE BY VOLUME:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>SOLUBILITY IN WATER:</strong></td>
<td>3 ppm @ 20°C (68°F)</td>
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<td><strong>SOLUBILITY (Other):</strong></td>
<td>Soluble in aliphatic and aromatic solvents, ketones (a.i.)</td>
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<td><strong>PARTITION COEFFICIENT (O/W):</strong></td>
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<td><strong>pH (5% mix with water):</strong></td>
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<td><strong>EVAPORATION RATE:</strong></td>
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10. **STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

**CHEMICAL STABILITY (Conditions to avoid):** This product is stable under normal use and storage conditions.

**INCOMPATIBILITY:** Avoid strong oxidizers, strong bases, heat, and sources of ignition.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:** Heating product to decomposition will cause emission of acrid smoke and fumes of phosphorous oxides and carbon oxides.

**HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:** This product will not polymerize.

11. **TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**GENERAL:** No information is available for this product. Information given below is for a similar more concentrated granular product and for the technical active ingredients where indicated.

**INGESTION:** Oral LD<sub>50</sub> (rat): ~132 mg/kg (female) Tox Cat II

**INHALATION:** Inhalation LC<sub>50</sub> (rat): >0.05 mg/L<0.53 mg/L (males & females) Tox Cat II

**DERMAL:** Skin LD<sub>50</sub> (rabbit): 2080/1217 mg/kg (male/female) Tox Cat II

**IRRITATION:**
- Eye irritation (rabbit): Mildly irritating (Tox Cat IV)
- Skin irritation (rabbit): Non irritant (Tox Cat IV)

**OTHER:** Sensitization (Mouse) LLNA: Not a skin sensitizer

**TERATOGENICITY:** No evidence of teratogenic effects in either rats or rabbits.

**MUTAGENICITY:** No evidence of mutagenicity was found in a range of laboratory tests.

**CARCINOGENICITY:** Respirable crystalline silica, present at less than 0.1% in the formulation, has been found to be a carcinogen. One of the active ingredients has been classified by EPA as a Group C possible human carcinogen based on limited animal data and no human data.

**REPRODUCTIVE TOXICITY:** No evidence of reproductive toxicity has been seen in laboratory studies.

**TOXICOLOGICAL SYNERGISTIC PRODUCTS:** No data is available.
12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

GENERAL: No aquatic data is available for this product. However, the active ingredients in this product are highly toxic to fish. This product is expected to be moderately toxic to birds, and other wildlife. Keep out of any body of water. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwaters or wastes. Notify authorities if any exposure to the general public or environment occurs or is likely to occur.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

WASTE DISPOSAL: Pesticide wastes are acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray mixture or rinsate is a violation of Federal law. If these wastes cannot be disposed by use according to label instructions, check with EPA, national, State, and local authorities for the current regulations applicable to your area. Open dumping is prohibited.

CONTAINER DISPOSAL: Empty containers should not be used. They should be disposed as a hazardous waste. See the label on the container for more complete information. Check with EPA, national, State, and local authorities for the current regulations applicable to your area.

14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

| DOT CLASS:                | 6.1               |
| UN NUMBER:                | UN2783            |
| IMDG CLASS (sea):         | 6.1               |
| IATA CLASS:               | 6.1               |
| MARINE POLLUTANT:         | Yes (If by water or in bulk) |
| PACKING GROUP:            | II                |
| HAZARD LABEL(s):          | TOXIC             |
| PROPER SHIPPING NAME(s):  | Organophosphorus pesticide(s), solid, toxic |
| REPORTABLE QUANTITY:      | No                |
| (DOT, 172.101, Appendix A)|                   |

NOTE: The classification of this product is based on the fact that the dust criteria found in 49CFR§173.132(b)(3) will not be met and therefore the LC_{50} is not applicable.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

U.S. FEDERAL REGULATIONS: This product is registered under EPA/FIFRA Regulations. It is a violation of Federal Law to use this product in any manner inconsistent with its labeling. Read and follow all label directions. This product is excluded from listing requirements under EPA/TSCA.
15. **REGULATORY INFORMATION, cont’d**

**SARA TITLE III DATA**

Section 311 & 312 Hazard Categories:

- Immediate Health Hazard: Yes
- Delayed Health Hazard: Yes
- Fire Hazard: No
- Reactive Hazard: No
- Sudden Pressure Release Hazard: No

**Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances:** None

**Section 313 Toxic Chemicals:**

- Bifenthrin(CAS 82657-04-3) 2.1%
- 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene (CAS 95-63-6) < 0.5%

**CERCLA Reportable Quantities (RQ):** None

**STATE REGULATIONS:**

**CALIFORNIA (Proposition 65):** This product may contain respirable crystalline silica and cumene, known to the State of California to cause cancer.

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16. **OTHER INFORMATION**

**MSDS Status:**

Date This Revision: 15 January, 2015
Date Previous Revision: 4 November, 2014
Person Responsible for Preparation: Gary A. Braden

**REASONS FOR REVISION:** Product name has been changed. Updates as required have been made to reflect this new name.

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16. OTHER INFORMATION, cont'd

ABBREVIATIONS:

a.i. - active ingredient
ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
ADR - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
AEL - Acceptable Exposure Limit (Self-imposed Internal Company Limit)
CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
EHS - Extremely Hazardous Substances
EPA - Environmental Protection Agency
FIFRA - Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer
NTP - National Toxicology Program
OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Agency
SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act

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