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# Material Safety Data Sheet

Pfizer Inc.  
235 East 42nd Street  
New York, NY 10017

Product: LIMESTONE - LUCERNE  
VALLEY

MSDS No: MINERAL / MIN010  
Revision: 02  
Date: June, 1988

National Paint  
and Coatings  
Association  
  
Hazardous Material  
Identification  
System

|                     |                                      |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| HEALTH HAZARD       | 1 - Slight                           |
| FLAMMABILITY HAZARD | 0 - Minimal                          |
| REACTIVITY HAZARD   | 0 - Minimal                          |
| PERSONAL PROTECTION | E - Glasses,<br>Gloves, Dust<br>Resp |

## SECTION I. MATERIAL IDENTIFICATION

Trade/Material Name: LIMESTONE - LUCERNE VALLEY

Description: Limestone, Calcium Carbonate

Other Designations: Vicron 10-20, Vicron 15-15, Vicron 25-11, Vicron 31-6, Vicron 41-8, Vicron 45-3, Vicron 80, Vicron 200, Marblewhite 326, Marblewhite 325, Marblewhite 200, Marblewhite 125, Marblewhite 80, Marblewhite 30, Marblewhite -16+40, Calcium Meal 30, Calcium Grits #6, Calcium Grits #9, Calcium Grits #69, Poultry Blend, Viroc #1, Viroc #2, Viroc #3, Glass Limestone, Vical 5075, Vical 2000, Vical 3005, Vical 4000, Vical 4030, Marblemix

CAS: 1317-65-3

Chemical Name: CaCO<sub>3</sub>

Manufacturer: Pfizer Inc.  
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Valley, CA Plant)

## SECTION II. INGREDIENTS AND HAZARDS

| Ingredient Name: | CAS Number: | Percent: | Exposure Limits:                                                                                 |
|------------------|-------------|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Limestone        | 1317-65-3   |          | ACGIH TLV: 10 mg/M <sup>3</sup> ,<br>Total Dust<br>OSHA PEL: 5 mg/M <sup>3</sup> ,<br>Respirable |

There are extremely small, but detectable amounts of substances regulated under California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act (Proposition 65).  
Arsenic - less than 2 ppm  
Cadmium - less than 2 ppm  
Chromium (VI) - less than 0.1 ppm  
Lead - 4-6 ppm  
These levels are "typical" quantities and may change slightly with different lots.  
The term "less than" indicates that the substance was detected, but the amount was

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less than the quantifiable limit.

Limestone contains crystalline silica at levels above 0.1% but less than 1%. These levels are "typical" and may change slightly with different lots.

SECTION III. PHYSICAL DATA

Appearance & Odor: White powder, no odor

Water solubility (%): Insoluble

Specific gravity ( $H_2O=1$ ): 2.6-2.8

SECTION IV. FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

Flash Point (method): Non-flammable

Extinguishing Media: Non-flammable. As appropriate for surrounding combustibles.

Unusual fire or explosion hazards: None

Special fire-fighting procedures: None

SECTION V. REACTIVITY DATA

Material is stable. Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

Chemical incompatibilities: Reacts with acid to liberate carbon dioxide gas.

Conditions to avoid: None known

Hazardous decomposition Products: None

SECTION VI. HEALTH HAZARD INFORMATION

Summary of risks: Calcium Carbonate is a "Nuisance Particulate". They "have a long history of little adverse effect on lungs and do not produce significant organic disease or toxic effect when exposures are kept under reasonable control" (ACGIH TLV definition). May cause eye and skin irritation from abrasion.

Primary entry route(s): Inhalation and ingestion.

Acute effects: Abrassiveness may cause eye and skin irritation.

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Chronic effect(s): No known chronic health effects.

First aid:

Eye contact: Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes.  
If irritation persists, seek medical attention.

Skin contact: Wash from skin with mild soap and water.

Inhalation: Remove from the exposure area.

Ingestion: Ingestion should not cause any significant health problems. If a large amount is ingested and if conscious, give large quantities of water to induce vomiting. Get medical attention.

Limestone is not listed as a carcinogen by IARC, NTP, OSHA, or ACGIH. Crystalline silica which may be present in quantities less than 1% has been reviewed by IARC. IARC found limited evidence for carcinogenicity of crystalline silica in humans and sufficient evidence in experimental animals.

SECTION VII. SPILL, LEAK AND DISPOSAL PROCEDURES

Spill / Leak procedures: Those involved in clean-up of spills should use respiratory protection for airborne dust. Vacuum or scoop up spilled material for recovery or disposal, avoiding dusting conditions and using good ventilation. Wetting the spill with a water spray may help to keep the airborne dust levels down.

Waste management / Disposal: Calcium Carbonate is not considered to be a RCRA hazardous waste and may be disposed in a site suitable for industrial wastes. Refer to any local, State or Federal regulations for specific disposal information.

For transportation emergencies, call CHEMTREC, 24 hour information service, 1-800-424-9300.

SECTION VIII. SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

Personal protective equipment:

Goggles: Safety glasses or dust-tight goggles.

Gloves: Leather or rubber gloves.

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Respirator: If exposure limits are exceeded, a NIOSH approved dust respirator should be used.

Workplace considerations:

Ventilation: Provide adequate exhaust ventilation to meet TLV requirements. An exhaust filter system may be required to avoid environmental contamination.

Safety stations:

An eyewash station should be available to the area of use.

SECTION IX. SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

Other precautions: Good industrial hygiene practice requires that employee exposure be maintained below the recommended TLV. This is preferably achieved through the provision of adequate ventilation where necessary. Where dust cannot be controlled in this way, personal respiratory protection should be employed.

DOT Class: Not regulated.

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