



## SAFETY DATA SHEET

*Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch*

Effective Date: June 1, 2015

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### SECTION 1: PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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**PRODUCT NAME:** *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch*  
**CHEMICAL NAME/SYNONYM:** Wood Fiber Mulch  
Thermo-Mechanical Wood Pulp

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**RECOMMENDED USE:** Hydroseeding Mulch for Erosion Control and Revegetation.

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### SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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**Emergency Overview:** This product does not contain regulated levels of hazardous ingredients as defined in OSHA STANDARD 29 CFR 1910.1000.

*Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* is a 100% wood fiber material treated with green liquid dye for application control. *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* presents little or no hazard to humans and has low acute oral and dermal toxicity. This product does not present any unusual hazard if involved in a fire.

**OSHA HAZARD CLASSIFICATION:** WOOD DUST – Category 3

**OSHA HAZARD PICTOGRAM:**



**SIGNAL WORD:** WARNING

**HAZARD STATEMENTS:**

H320: Dust may cause eye irritation from prolonged exposure.  
H335: Dust may cause respiratory irritation from prolonged exposure.

**PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS:**

P202: Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
P210: Keep away from sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.  
P261: Avoid breathing dust. Use face mask or appropriate breathing apparatus.  
P305+351+338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to remove – continue rinsing.

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## PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS: (cont.)

P370+P378: In case of fire use water to extinguish.

P391+P501: Collect spillage and use or dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations. .

**Other hazards which do not result in classification:** None

CAS #:..... None  
OSHA TWA PEL-STEL:.....10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
ACGIH TLV:.....0.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (respirable)

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## SECTION 3: COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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There are no ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence do not require reporting in this section. Occupational exposure limits are listed in Section 8.

Thermo-mechanically Refined Wood Fiber @ 12% Moisture..... >99.5%  
Basic Green #4:..... <0.5%  
CAS#..... 41272-40-6

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## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

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**Material is primarily a Nuisance Dust**

**Routes of Entry:** ..... Inhalation, skin contact, eye contact

**Effect of Acute Exposure:**

**Overexposure:** ..... May cause irritation to eyes and respiratory system.

Persons with respiratory problems should avoid breathing dust. Use a dust mask.

**Inhalation:** ..... Can cause irritation to mucous membrane and upper respiratory system. Remove to fresh air.

**Ingestion:** ..... May cause vomiting or diarrhea.

**Eyes:**..... In case of eye contact, flush thoroughly with clean water.

**Skin:**..... In case of broken skin, wear gloves. Wash dust from skin with soap and water.

**Carcinogenicity Listings:**

**NTP:**..... not listed

**IARC Monographs**..... not listed

**OSHA:** ..... not listed

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## SECTION 5: FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

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**Flash Point** .....>550F

**Flammability Limits: LEL** ..... Not Applicable See Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards below.

**UEL** ..... Not Applicable

**Extinguishing Media**..... Water

**Special Fire Fighting Procedures** ..... None. May produce carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and aldehydes.

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards** ..... A concentration of 40,000 mg/m<sup>3</sup> is often used as the lower explosive limit for wood dusts in the presence of a flame or spark. Limit depends on moisture content and particle diameter.

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## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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**General:** *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* is biodegradable and will not cause damage to trees or vegetation.

**Land Spill:** Clean up spilled material. Dispose in accordance with Federal, State and local regulations. No personal protective equipment is required.

**Water Spill:** *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* will not cause contamination of local waters. The mulch is non-toxic and not harmful to animal, aquatic, fish or plant life.

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## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

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**Storage:** Ambient dry indoor conditions are recommended. If outside storage, cover to protect from rain.. Do Not store near heat or flame source. No smoking in the storage area. No special handling precautions required. To maintain package integrity, stock should be used on a "first in, first out" basis.

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## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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**Respiratory Protection:**.....Use NIOSH approved respiratory masks.

**Eye Protection:**.....Use goggles or eye glasses

**Hand protection:**.....If sensitive, wear gloves

**Other Protective clothing:**.....None

**Ventilation Indoors:**.....Normal ventilation. If exhaust ventilation is used to keep dust concentrations below permissible levels, exhaust should be directed to a dust collection system.

**Work/Hygiene Practices:**.....Follow good hygiene practice.

**Occupational Exposure Limit: Wood Dust:**

OSHA: PEL-STEL 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

ACGIH: TLV 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (respirable)

Cal OSHA: PEL 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

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## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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**Appearance & Odor:**.....Finely divided green fibers, slight wood odor

**Boiling Point (F):**.....Not Applicable

**PH** .....4.8

**Flash Point** ..... >550 F

**Solubility in Water** ..... Insoluble, but Dispersible

**Specific Gravity (H<sub>2</sub>O=1)** ..... 0.015-0.025

**Relative Density:**.....Not Applicable

**Vapor Density** ..... Not Applicable

**Vapor Pressure (mm Hg)** ..... Not Applicable

**Melting Point:**..... Not Applicable

**Evaporation Rate** ..... Not Applicable

**Flammability:**.....Solid. Initial ignition, then slow smoldering embers.

**Flammability Limits:**.....LEL Not Applicable. See Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazard, Section 5.

**Auto-ignition Temperature:**.....Not Available

**Decomposition Temperature:**.....Not Applicable

**Viscosity:**.....Not Applicable. Material is a solid.

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## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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**Stability** ..... Stable

**Conditions to Avoid:** ..... Material is organic, therefore combustible.

Avoid extreme heat and flame and contact with oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous Decomposition:** ..... May produce carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and aldehydes.

**Hazardous Polymerization:**..... Will not occur

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## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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**Rates of Exposure:** Inhalation is the most significant route of exposure in occupational and other settings. Dermal exposure is not usually a concern because *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* is not absorbed through intact skin

**Inhalation:** *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* is not likely to be hazardous by inhalation.

**Eye Contact:** *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* is non-irritating to eyes in normal industrial use.

**Skin Contact:** *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* does not cause irritation to intact skin.

**Ingestion:** Products containing *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* are not intended for ingestion. *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* has a relatively low acute toxicity. Swallowing large amounts may cause gastrointestinal symptoms.

**Cancer:** *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* is not considered a carcinogen.

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## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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The inherent design of *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* is for use in revegetation and is not harmful to ecological systems. Refer to Section 6 for clean-up in case of accidental spill.

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## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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**Disposal Guidance:** Small quantities of *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* can usually be disposed of at Municipal Landfill sites. No specific disposal treatment is required, but refer to state and local regulations for applicable site-specific requirements. Tonnage quantities of product are not recommended to be sent to landfills. Such product should, if possible, be re-used for an appropriate application.

**California Hazardous Waste Designation:** California identifies substances with acute LD50's less than 5000 mg/kg as "hazardous wastes". *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* is therefore not a "hazardous waste" if spilled in California. Refer to Regulatory Information for additional information.

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## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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**DOT Hazardous Material Classification:** *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* is not a U. S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazardous Material and is not regulated.

**DOT Hazardous Substance Classification:** *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* is not a DOT Hazardous Substance and is not regulated.

**International Transportation:** *Rainier Fiber™ Premium Wood Fiber Mulch* has no U. N. Number, and is not regulated under international rail, highway, water, or air transport regulations.

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## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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**National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Classification:**

Health - 0

Flammability - 1

Reactivity - 0\*

**Hazardous Materials Information Systems (HMIS):**

Red: (Flammability) - 1

Yellow: (Reactivity) - 0

Blue: (Acute Health) - 1\*

\*Chronic Effects

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## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Definition of Common Terms:**

ACGIH	=	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
C	=	Ceiling Limit
CAS#	=	Chemical Abstracts System Number
IARC	=	International Agency for Research on Cancer
MSHA	=	Mining Safety and Health Administration
NAP	=	Not Applicable
NAV	=	Not Available
NIOSH	=	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
NTP	=	National Toxicology Program
OSHA	=	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PEL	=	Permissible Exposure Limit
STEL	=	Short-Term Exposure Limit (15 minutes)
TLV	=	Threshold Limit Value
TWA	=	Time-Weighted Average (8 hours)

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