# SAFETY DATA SHEET Fly Ash

# Section 1: Identification of the Material and Supplier

#### **Company Details**

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Callide Power Station:	Callide Dam Road, Mt Murchison Queensland 4715
Stanwell Power Station:	Switchyard Road, Stanwell QLD 4702
Flyash Australia Pty Ltd:	Eraring, Bayswater and Mt Piper Power Stations. Head Office - 12 Tryon Road Lindfield New South Wales 2070
Product	
Name:	Fly Ash
Other Names	Gladetone Ach

Other Names: **Gladstone Ash** Callide Ash Melbourne Ash (Blend of Gladstone and Callide Ash) Central Queensland Ash (Blend of Gladstone and Callide Ash) North Queensland Ash (Blend of various QLD Ash sources) NSW Ash (Blend of Gladstone and Callide Ash) Kaolite High Performance Ash (HPA, Special Grade Fly Ash, Ultrafine Fly Ash) Sydney Ash (Blend of Eraring and Mt Piper Ash and/or Bayswater Ash) Use: Supplementary cementitious material for concrete. Also, used in soil stabilisation and as a fine filler in asphalt and other products. Fly Ash (CAS - 68131-74-8) composition varies based on the Source Coal used at various power stations. These numbers reflect the various ranges in composition and the SDS covers the highest GHS rating based on the product with the highest concentration.

# **Section 2: Hazards Identification**

Hazardous Substance. Non-dangerous Goods

Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (Repeated Exposure): Category 2 Serious Eye Damage / Eye Irritation: Category 2A Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Category 2 Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (Single Exposure): Category 3

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<b>Hazard statement(s)</b> H315 H319 H335 H373	Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye irritation. May cause respiratory irritation. May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure (lungs).
<b>Prevention statement(s)</b> P264 P271 P280 P260 + P261	Wash skin thoroughly after handling. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection rated for Dust. Avoid/Do not breathe dust. Cement can become easily airborne.
Response statement(s) P302 + P352 P332 + P313 P304 + P340 + P305 P351 + P338 P337 + P313	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention. IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
P314 + P312 P321 P362	Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. Specific treatment is advised - see first aid instructions. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before re-use.
Storage statement(s) P403 + P233 P405 Disposal statement(s) P501	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with relevant regulations.

# **Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients**

Fly Ash (CAS - 68131-74-8) composition varies based on the Source Coal used at power station. These numbers reflect the various ranges in composition and the SDS covers the highest GHS rating based on the product with the highest concentration.

Chemical Entity	Proportion	CAS Number
Mullite	5-30%	1302-93-8
Crystalline Silica (Quartz)	<5.0%	14808-60-7
Hexavalent Chromium Cr (VI)	<1ppm	18540-29-9

Note: It should be assumed that silica content is sufficient to create a silica hazard in work conditions where fine dust becomes airborne.

### **Section 4: First Aid Measures**

Swallowed:	Wash mouth with water. Give plenty of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting. Seek medical advice if symptoms persist.
Eyes:	Flush thoroughly with flowing water for 15 minutes to remove all traces. If symptoms or irritation persist, seek medical attention.
Skin:	Wash with soap and water. Remove and wash affected clothing before reuse.
Inhaled:	Remove to fresh air, away from dusty area. If symptoms persist, seek medical attention.
First Aid Facilities:	Eye wash station.
Advice to Doctor:	Treat symptomatically



# **Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures**

Fire/Explosion Hazard:	None
Hazchem Code:	None allocated
Flammability:	Not flammable
Extinguishing Media:	None required
Hazards from Combustion Products:	None
Special Protective Precautions and	None
equipment for fire fighters:	

# **Section 6: Accidental Release Measures**

 Spills:
 A fine water spray should be used to suppress dust when sweeping. Wet sweep or vacuum dust with industrial vacuum cleaner.

 Clean up Procedure
 Work areas should be cleaned regularly by wet sweeping or vacuuming. Collect in containers and dispose of as trade waste in accordance with local authority guidelines. Keep out of stormwater and sewer drains. Personal protection recommendations should be followed – see Section 8.

# Section 7: Handling and Storage

Storage:	Keep in a dry place.
Conditions of safe storage:	When handled pneumatically use standard dust filters on vehicles and silos.
Incompatibilities:	None

# **Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

#### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Exposure standards

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Ingredient	Reference	ppm	mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³	
Silica – Crystalline Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA (AUS)		0.1			
Chromium (VI) compounds (as Cr)	SWA (AUS)		0.05			

#### 8.2 Exposure controls

**Engineering controls** Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended. Maintain dust levels below the recommended exposure standard.

#### PPE

Eye / Face	Wear safety glasses or dust-proof goggles when handling material to avoid contact with eyes.
Hands	Wear PVC, rubber or cotton gloves when handling material to prevent skin contact.
Body	Wear long sleeved shirt and full-length trousers.
Respiratory	Where an inhalation risk exists wear a Class P1 (Particulate) respirator, dependent on a site- specific risk assessment.



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

Appearance:	Fine powder – light grey to fawn
Odour:	No odour
<b>Boiling/Melting Point:</b>	Melting point >1400°C
Vapour Pressure:	Not applicable
Specific Gravity:	2.35 - 2.40
Flash Point:	Not flammable
Flammability Limits:	Not applicable
Solubility in Water:	Essentially insoluble
Particle Size:	Approximately 40% of particles are respirable (≤7 micron in diameter)

# **Section 10: Stability and Reactivity**

Chemical Stability:	Chemically stable
Conditions to Avoid:	None
Incompatible Materials:	None
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	None
Hazardous Reactions:	None

# **Section 11: Toxicological Information**

Acute toxicity	Has a caustic reaction and is corrosive to the mouth and throat.
Skin	Irritating to the skin. Contact with powder or wetted form may result in caustic reaction, rash and dermatitis.
Eye	Irritation and corrosive to the eyes. May cause chemical conjunctivitis and redness and watering of eyes and damage to cornea.
Sensitization	Irritating and drying to the skin. May cause alkali burns and irritant or allergic dermatitis.
Mutagenicity	Insufficient data available to classify as a mutagen.
Carcinogenicity Reproductive STOT – single exposure	This product contains crystalline silica which is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). However, there is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer is increased in persons with silicosis. Therefore, preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk. Insufficient data available to classify as a reproductive toxin. Irritating to the respiratory system. Over exposure may result in irritation of the nose and throat, with coughing. High level exposure may result in breathing difficulties.
STOT – repeated exposure	Repeated exposure to respirable silica may result in pulmonary fibrosis (silicosis). Silicosis is a fibronodular lung disease caused deposition in the lungs of fine respirable particles of crystalline silica. Principal symptoms of silicosis are coughing and breathlessness. In the wet state, the likelihood of an inhalation hazard is reduced.
Aspiration	This product is a solid and aspiration hazards are not expected to occur.

# **Section 12: Ecological Information**

Ecotoxicity:	Unlikely to have a negative impact on plant life or animals.
Persistence and Degradability:	Product is persistent and would have a low degradability.
Mobility:	A low mobility would be expected in a landfill setting.



# **Section 13: Disposal Considerations**

Follow personal protection safety requirements. Collect in containers and dispose as trade waste and land fill in accordance with local authority guidelines. Keep out of stormwater and sewer drains.

### **Section 14: Transport Information**

UN Number:	None allocated
Proper Shipping Name:	None allocated
Class and Subsidiary Risk:	Not applicable
Packing Group:	None allocated
Special precautions for user:	Avoid generating and breathing dust
Hazchem Code:	None allocated

# **Section 15: Regulatory Information**

Classified as non-Dangerous Goods.

Classified as Hazardous per the criteria of the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission (NOHSC) Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances [NOHSC: 1008] 3rd Edition

All chemicals listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)

### **Section 16: Other Information**

For further information on this product contact:

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# Australian and New Zealand Standards:

AS 2161: Industrial Safety Gloves and Mittens (excluding electrical and medical gloves).

AS/NZ 1336: Recommended Practices for Occupational Eye Protection.

AS/NZS 1715: Selection, use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices.

AS/NZS 1716: Respiratory protective devices.

AS/NZS 4501: Occupational protective clothing.

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