

# TEST REPORTS & MSDS OF GCEM & BENTOEARTH





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# **TESTING LABS**

## **CELP-MALAYSIA & AL FUTTAIM EXOVA LLC (UAE / UK)**

## Zeemax Venture's Earthing Products were Tested & Analyzed

- For Physical & Electrical Properties at H.V. Laboratory, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, UPM-Universiti Putra Malaysia, which operates under the purview of CELP-Centre for Electromagnetic and Lightning Protection Malaysia.
- For Chemical Composition, at Chemical Laboratory, Department of Chemical Engineering, UPM-Universiti Putra Malaysia, Under the directives of CELP-Centre for Electromagnetic and Lightning Protection Malaysia.

### CELP Malaysia - Centre for Electromagnetic & Lightning Protection

Centre for Electromagnetic and Lightning Protection (CELP) is one of the few institutions in the world that is dedicated to the research and promotion of the scientifically proven engineering and physics of lightning safety and protection. It operates under the Faculty of Engineering, UPM-Universiti Putra Malaysia (http://research.upm.edu.my/CELP)

Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), is ranked the Second Top university in Malaysia by Uni Rank World University Ranking, the ranking also places UPM at the seventh rank in Southeast Asia, and is also recognized as one of Malaysia's leading Research Universities offering undergraduate & postgraduate courses. As per the decision taken by the Advisory Committee Members of CELP (then called Centre of Excellence in Lightning Protection) in the late 2008, the institution was officially transferred to the Faculty of Engineering, UPM-Universiti Putra Malaysia. This decision is seen by many scholars as a big leap in the development of lightning science, taken at the right time and right place. With the invaluable support and effort extended by the well-known scholars and scientists, who lined up as the Advisory Committee Members, the CELP is now blossoming as one of the leading institutions in the world in promoting the scientifically proven methodologies and techniques in Research, Education and Applications of Lightning and related subjects.

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## **CELP MALAYSIA TEST REPORT - 001 (Page 1/4)**



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#### **ELECTRICAL EARTHING / GROUNDING MATERIAL TEST REPORT**

(This report contains 04 Pages)

<b>Product Description</b>	One Sample of BENTOEARTH
<b>Product Owner / Client</b>	Zeemax Venture
Sample Size and nature	25 kg sealed sac with production/brand logo and company details printed in the cover
Sample Submitted by	Zeemax Venture (Malaysia)
Sample Received Date	07 March, 2015
Date Tested	09 March, 2015
Date Reported	18 March, 2015
Lab Report Number	CELP-ZEEMAX-032015-001

#### TEST - RESULTS

#### **Physical Properties**

TEST	UNIT	RESULT / REMARKS
VISUAL APPEARANCE	-	DARK TAN (POWDERED FORM)
DRY BULK DENSITY (AVERAGE) @ 47.7N COMPACTION FORCE	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.17
RESISTIVITY (AVERAGE) @ 100% MOISTURE CONTENT SAMPLE MIXED WITH WATER (1:1 RATIO BY VOLUME)	Ω - m	0.8
WET BULK DENSITY (AVERAGE) @ 1:1 RATIO BY VOLUME	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.58
CONDUCTIVITY (AVERAGE) @ 100% MOISTURE CONTENT SAMPLE MIXED WITH WATER (1:1 RATIO BY VOLUME)	S/m	1.25

Sample has been Tested and Analyzed for Physical properties at H.V. Laboratory, CELP, UPM



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## Zeemax - BENTOEARTH

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#### **ELECTRICAL EARTHING / GROUNDING MATERIAL TEST REPORT (Contd)**

#### **Chemical Composition**

### Spectroscopic / Microscopic Analysis of BENTOEARTH (BENTONITE) for Chemical Composition

Materials Tested for Chemical Composition at Department of Chemical Engineering, UPM

Element	Weight	Weight %	Atom	Atom%	Compnd	Norm.
Line	%	Error	%	Error	%	Compnd%
ОК	4.99		9.1	+/-0.07		
Na K	1.15	+/-0.08	1.46	+/-0.11	1.15	1.15
Mg K	0.9	+/-0.08	1.08	+/-0.09	0.9	0.9
Al K	27.36	+/-0.26	29.62	+/-0.28	27.36	27.36
Si K	44.46	+/-0.36	46.25	+/-0.38	44.46	44.46
Si L						
CI K	2.24	+/-0.10	1.85	+/-0.08	2.24	2.24
CLL						
KK	0.84	+/-0.08	0.63	+/-0.06	0.84	0.84
KL						
Ca K						
Ca L						‹
Ti K	6.45	+/-0.26	3.94	+/-0.16	6.45	6.45
Ti L						
Fe K	11.61	+/-0.33	6.07	+/-0.17	16.6	16.6
Fe L						
Total	100		100		100	100

#### **CONCLUDING REMARKS:**

- 1. Chemical Description of the material: Hydrated Sodium Calcium Aluminum Magnesium Silicate Hydroxide (Montmorillonite / Bentonite)
- 2. No Toxic Substance found in the Chemical Composition of the material.
- 3. The product is Eco-Friendly / Environment- Friendly and a Green product



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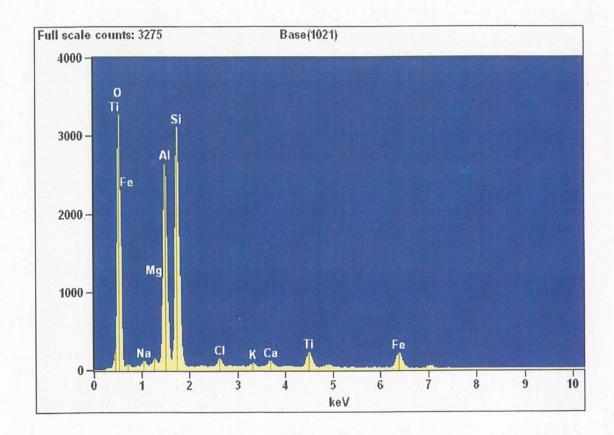


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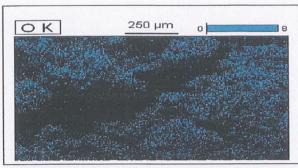
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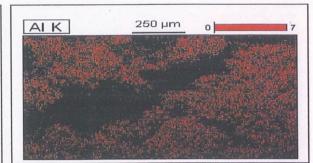
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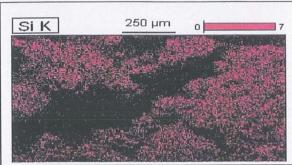


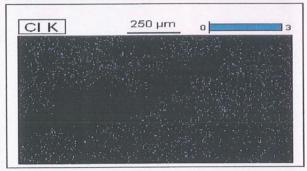
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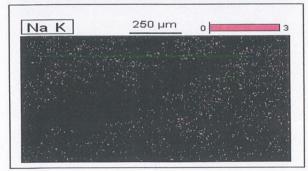
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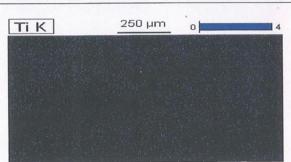














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#### **ELECTRICAL EARTHING / GROUNDING MATERIAL TEST REPORT**

(This report contains 02 Pages)

Product Description	One Sample of GCEM (Ground Conductivity Enhancing Material)
Product Owner / Client	Zeemax Venture
Sample Size and nature	25 kg sealed sac with production/brand logo and company details printed in the cover
Sample Submitted by	Zeemax Venture (Malaysia)
Sample Received Date	07 March, 2015
Date Tested	09 March, 2015
Date Reported	18 March, 2015
Lab Report Number	CELP-ZEEMAX-032015-002

#### TEST - RESULTS

#### **Physical Properties**

TEST	UNIT	RESULT / REMARKS
VISUAL APPEARANCE	-	DARK TAN (POWDERED FORM)
DRY BULK DENSITY (AVERAGE) @ 47.7N COMPACTION FORCE	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.07
RESISTIVITY (AVERAGE) @ 100% MOISTURE CONTENT SAMPLE MIXED WITH WATER (1:1 RATIO BY VOLUME)	Ω - m	0.60
WET BULK DENSITY (AVERAGE) @ 1:1 RATIO BY VOLUME	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.49
CONDUCTIVITY (AVERAGE) @ 100% MOISTURE CONTENT SAMPLE MIXED WITH WATER (1:1 RATIO BY VOLUME)	S/m	1.70

Sample has been Tested and Analyzed for Physical properties at H.V. Laboratory, CELP, UPM



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#### **Chemical Composition**

- 1. Metal elements exist in the material sample: Fe, Na, Mg, Al, Ca, Ti
- 2. Non-metal solid elements exist in the material sample: Si
- 3. Gaseous elements exist in the material sample: O, Cl

Equipment at Chemical Laboratory, Department of Chemical Engineering, UPM, has been used to Test and Analyze Chemical Composition of the sample.

#### **CONCLUDING REMARKS:**

- Chemical Description of Major Component found: Hydrated Sodium Calcium Aluminum Magnesium Silicate Hydroxide (Montmorillonite)
- 2. No Toxic Substance found in the Chemical Composition of the material.
- 3. The product is Eco-Friendly / Environment- Friendly and a Green product



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## **IEC 62561-7 COMPLIANCE**

### **CELP MALAYSIA TEST REPORT - 003**



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#### **ELECTRICAL EARTHING / GROUNDING MATERIAL TEST REPORT**

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Product Description	Samples of GCEM & BENTOEARTH
Product Owner / Client	Zeemax Venture —
Sample Size and nature	25 kg sealed sacs with production/brand logo and company details printed in the cover
Sample Submitted by	Zeemax Venture (Malaysia)
Sample Received Date	07 March, 2015
Date Tested	09 March, 2015
Date Reported	18 March, 2015
Lab Report Number	CELP-ZEEMAX-032015-003

#### 1. GCEM-Ground Conductivity Enhancing Material

RESISTIVITY (AVERAGE) = 0.6  $\Omega$ -m (CELP-Lab Report # CELP-ZEEMAX-032015-002) @ 100% Moisture Content (Sample mixed with Water in 1:1 ratio by Volume)

#### 2. BENTOEARTH - Basic form of Conductivity Enhancing Material

RESISTIVITY (AVERAGE) = 0.8 Ω-m (CELP-Lab Report # CELP-ZEEMAX-032015-001)
@ 100% Moisture Content (Sample mixed with Water in 1:1 ratio by Volume)

GCEM & BENTOEARTH were Tested for Chemical Composition at Department of
Chemical Engineering, UPM & the results are (CELP-Lab Report # CELP-ZEEMAX-032015-001 & 002):

- a) No Toxic Substance Found in the Chemical Composition of both materials.
- b) Both products are Eco-Friendly, Environment-Friendly and Green Products.
- c) Major ingredient in both products is MONTMORILLONITE, a non-corrosive material, with acceptable corrosion protection performance
- CONCLUDING REMARKS: GCEM & BENTOEARTH, both have low resistivity & contain non-corrosive material, with acceptable corrosion resistance performance, conform to IEC 62561-7 Standard.



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#### REPORT OF TESTS

Description	One Sample of Bentoearth			
Tested for	Steelman Electro Mechanical Compa	ny (L.L.C), P.B.N	o.47461, Dubai	
Lab Report No.	WR12-04940 (Rev.01)(Page 1 of 1)	Request No.	D12-01658	
Date Received	01.07.2012	Date Reported	12.07.2012	

Client's reference

Requisition dated 01.07.2012

Product name

Bentoearth Zeemax Venture

Product Owner Exclusive distributor

Steeelman Electro Mechanical Company (L.L.C)

AFE sample no.

D12-01658/01

#### 1.0 Introduction

Further to the test work instructions received from M/s. Steelman Electro Mechanical Company (L.L.C.), dated 01.07.2012, one sample of Bentoearth /Bentonite provided has been analysed for the following by Al Futtaim Exova LLC;

#### 2.0 Results

Test	Test Method	Unit	Results
Colour	Visual	-	Tan
pH value @ 20°C (8% solution)	pH Meter	pH Unit	8.6

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PAUL WILSON
Chemistry Laboratory Manager

For and on behalf of Al Futtaim Exova (L.L.C)

Tested by: BV/GG, Date tested: 04.07.2012-08.07.2012 Sampled by the client, certificate of sampling was not given.

Rev.01 Title amended

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## **Material Test Report**

Client: Steelman Electro Mechanical Company LLC

Post Box: N.G.

Muhammad Umair Contact:

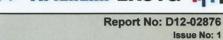
**Project No:** N.G.

Analysis of Bentonite **Project Name:** 

N.G. Consultant:

Zeemax Venture Owner: Steelman Contractor: Project Location: Dubai

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Approved Signatory: Mahesh Hingorani

(Civil Sites Manager) Date of Issue: 15/07/2012

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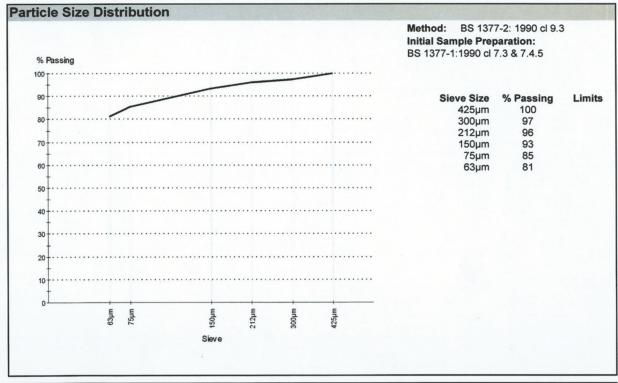
Received Date: 01/07/2012 Client Sample ID: D12-01658 Work Order ID: D12-01658-S1 Sample ID:

Sampling Method: N.G Sample Location: N.G Sample Cert No: N.G. N/A Lot No: Lot Size: N/A Order No: N/A

Client Sample Desc.: BENTOEARTH/BENTONITE Date Sampled: N/A Sample Submitted By: Client

ZEEMAX VENTURE Source:

Sampled By: Client Sample Preparation: see below Sample Size(Kg): 30 09/07/2012 **Date Tested:** Test Method Variation: None Lab Sample Desc.: Clay Material



Comments

This test is also accredited by DAC

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Report No: D12-02873

Issue No: 1

## **Material Test Report**

Client:

Steelman Electro Mechanical Company LLC

Post Box:

N.G.

Contact:

Muhammad Umair

Project No:

N.G.

**Project Name:** 

Analysis of Bentonite

Consultant:

N.G.

Owner:

Zeemax Venture

Contractor: Project Location: Dubai

Steelman

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Approved Signatory: Mahesh Hingorani

(Civil Sites Manager) Date of Issue: 15/07/2012

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#### Sample Details

**Received Date:** Work Order ID:

Sample ID:

01/07/2012

D12-01658

Sampling Method: Sample Location:

N.G

Sample Cert No: Lot No: Lot Size:

Order No: N/A

D12-01658-S1 N.G

N.G. N/A N/A

Client Sample Desc.: BENTOEARTH/BENTONITE

Client Sample ID:

Date Sampled: N/A Sample Submitted By: Client

ZEEMAX VENTURE Source:

Sampled By:

Sample Preparation: Sample Size(Kg):

Date Tested: Test Method Variation: None

Lab Sample Desc.:

Client see below 30

09/07/2012

Clay Material

#### **Test Results**

Spec. Test / Parameter Result Limits Aggregate Uncompacted Bulk Density Uncompacted Bulk Density (Mg/m³) 0.82 BS 812-2: 1995 Voids (%) N/A

Condition of Aggregate: Oven Dried

Bulking (%)

Initial sample preparation: BS 812 part 102: 1989

Tested by: Rajeev

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## Report No: D12-02875

Issue No: 1

## Material Test Report

Client: Post Box: Steelman Electro Mechanical Company LLC

Contact:

Muhammad Umair

**Project No: Project Name:**  N.G.

Consultant:

Analysis of Bentonite N.G.

Owner: Contractor: Zeemax Venture Steelman

Project Location: Dubai Tel/ Fax No: +971 (0)4 2575591 Approved Signatory: Mahesh Hingorani

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#### Sample Details

Received Date: Work Order ID:

Lot No:

01/07/2012 D12-01658

Sample ID: Sampling Method:

D12-01658-S1 N.G

Sample Location: Sample Cert No:

N.G N.G N/A N/A

Lot Size: Order No:

N/A Client Sample Desc.: BENTOEARTH/BENTONITE Client Sample ID:

Lab Sample Desc.:

Date Sampled: N/A Sample Submitted By: Client

Source: ZEEMAX VENTURE

Sampled By: Client Sample Preparation: see below Sample Size(Kg): 30

**Date Tested:** 09/07/2012 Test Method Variation: None

#### **Test Results**

Method Moisture Content

Test / Parameter Result

Spec. Limits

Moisture Content (%) 7.8

Clay Material

BS 1377-2: 1990

Drying Temperature of Soil (°C): 79

Comments

Initial sample preparation: BS 812 part 102: 1989 Tested by: Rajeev

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Contact:

Muhammad Umair

Project No: **Project Name:** 

N.G.

Consultant:

Analysis of Bentonite N.G.

Owner:

Zeemax Venture

Contractor: Steelman

Project Location: Dubai Tel/ Fax No:

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Report No: D12-02874 Issue No: 1

Approved Signatory: Mahesh Hingorani

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Sample Details

Received Date: Work Order ID: 01/07/2012 D12-01658

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N.G.

Sample ID: Sampling Method:

D12-01658-S1 N.G

Sample Location: Sample Cert No: Lot No:

N/A Lot Size: N/A Order No: Client Sample Desc.: BENTOEARTH/BENTONITE

N/A

Client Sample ID:

Date Sampled: N/A Sample Submitted By: Client

ZEEMAX VENTURE Source: Sampled By: Client

Sample Preparation: see below Sample Size(Kg): 30

Date Tested: 09/07/2012 Test Method Variation: None Lab Sample Desc.: Clay Material

**Test Results** 

Liquid Limit

BS 1377-2: 1990 cl 4.3

Plastic Limit

BS 1377-2: 1990 cl 5.3

Plasticity Index

BS 1377-2: 1990 cl 5.4

Test / Parameter Result

Spec.

Liquid Limit

Plasticity Index Not determinable

Retained on 425µm (%) N/A

Preparation:

Tested by: Shameer

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# MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet) BENTOEARTH

Based on Regulation (EC) no. 1907/2006 (REACH) Article 31 Annex II &

OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200

**SHEET # 1/4** 

HMIS RATING (Hazardous Materials Identification System Rating)				
HEALTH 1 (MINIMAL HAZARD)				
FLAMMABILITY	0 (NON COMBUSTIBLE)			
REACTIVITY	0 (STABLE)			
PERSONAL PROTECTION	E			

#### **SECTION 1: PRODUCT & COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

#### PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION:

Product Name: **BENTOEARTH**Brand Name: **BANTOEARTH** 

Harmonized System Codes (HS Code): 2508.1000

Chemical Family: Naturally Occurring Mineral, Montmorillonite

Formula: Naturally occurring Hydrated Aluminosilicate of Sodium, Calcium, Magnesium, and Iron

Product Use: Used in Electrical Earthing (Grounding) to achieve Low Resistance of an Earthing (Grounding) System.

#### **PRODUCT OWNER:**

Product Owner: ZEEMAX VENTURE (JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN MALAYSIAN, SOUTH AFRICAN & USA UNIVERSITY

**RESEARCH AFFILIATES)** 

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SECTION 2 : COMPOSITION & INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS							
HYDROUS ALUMINIUM SILICATE CAS R No 1302-78-9			98	% BY WEIGHT			
HAZARDOUS INGREDIANTS	CAS R No	OSHA PEL(RF)	ACGIH TLV (RF)	NIOSH REL (RF)	TSCAC		
CRYSTALINE QUARTZ	14808-60-7	0.100 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.050 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	YES		
CRYSTOBALITE	14464-46-1	0.050 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.050mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.050 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	YES		
TRIDYMITE	15468-32-3	0.050 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.050mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.050 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	YES		

#### **ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS**

CAS R No: Chemical Abstracts Service Registration Number

**OSHA PEL (RF):** OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (Respirable Fraction), 8 hour TWA (Time-Weighted-Average) **ACGIH TLV (RF):** American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists Threshold Limit Value (Respirable

Fraction), 8hrTWA, 40hr/week

NIOSH REL (RF): National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health, Recommended Exposure Limit(Respirable

Fraction), 10hr TWA, 40hr/ week

**TSCAC:** Toxic Substance Control Act Compliance



### MSDS for BENTOEARTH (SHEET # 2/4)

#### **SECTION 3: HAZARDOUS IDENTIFICATION**

#### PERSONAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

#### **ROUTES OF EXPOSURE**

- ✓ EYE: Dust or Powder of BENTOEARTH may cause mild irritation to eye tissues.
- ✓ SKIN: Non irritating to the skin
- ✓ INHALATION: Repeated or Prolonged inhalation may cause toxic effects.
- ✓ INGESTION: No adverse effects expected for normal, incidental ingestion.

#### **TARGET ORGANS**

LUNGS: Normal exposure during application of the material will not result in serious adverse effects if application is done as prescribed in BENTOEARTH / GCEM / IEC brochure. However this product has the potential for generation of respirable dust during use if not handled properly with gross negligence. Excessive occupational, uncontrolled and prolonged inhalation of dust may cause lung disease. Dust may contain respirable crystalline silica. Over exposure to these dusts may result in Pneumoconiosis, a respiratory disease caused by severe or prolonged exposure to the dust. Occupational exposure to respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.

#### **SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

EYE CONTACT: Flush eyes immediately with large amounts of water. If irritation persists get medical attention.

SKIN CONTACT: No special measures required. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists.

**INHALATION:** Prolong inhalation may cause toxic effects. Remove to fresh air for any signs of breathing problem. If not breathing, give artificial respiration or give oxygen by trained personnel. Get medical attention if needed.

**INGESTION:** No special measures required. If ingestion of a large amount does occur, seek medical attention.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN: Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically

#### **SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES: This material is non-combustible & will not burn.

**UNUSUAL FIRE & EXPLOSION HAZARDS: None known** 

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Use any media suitable for the surrounding fires. Dry-Chemical, CO2, water spray or regular foam.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FIREFIGHTERS:** Material can be slippery when wet

**PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIREFIGHTERS:** For the surrounding fires, the protective equipment is same as in any fire wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

#### **SECTION 6 : ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED:** Vacuum if possible to avoid generating airborne dust. Avoid breathing dust. Wear an approved respirator.

**PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS:** Material can be slippery when wet. Wear a dust mask & safety glasses or goggles if dust is generated above exposure limits accidently or unintentionally during handling.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS:** No special environmental precautions required



#### MSDS for BENTOEARTH (SHEET # 3/4)

#### **SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE**

PRECAUTIONS: No specific safety phrase has been found applicable for this product

**HANDLING:** Keep formation of airborne dusts to a minimum and do not breathe dust. Use normal precautions against bag breakage or spills of bulk material. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Launder clothing that has become dusty. Empty containers (bags, bulk containers, storage tanks, etc.) retain silica residue and must be handled in accordance with provisions of this Material Safety Data Sheet.

**STORAGE:** Use good housekeeping in storage and guard against dust accumulation of this material. No special storage conditions required, however care should be taken to keep the material dry before use. No special restrictions on storage with other products.

#### SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

**EXPOSURE GUIDELINES:** Occupational exposure to respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled. For extra precaution in case of repeated, excessive & prolonged applications, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

#### **PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**EYE PROTECTION:** Wear Safety glasses with side shields to avoid any accidental spill or dust formation beyond normal limits during the application of material that may cause mild irritation to the eye tissues.

**RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:** Normal application of the material does not require this; however use a particulate filter respirator for particulate concentrations exceeding the Occupational Exposure Limit.

**SKIN AND BODY PROTECTION:** No special protective equipment required.

**OTHER PROTECTIVE CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT:** As appropriate for work environment. Normal Working Gloves are recommended for Hand Protection. Dusty clothing should be laundered before reuse.

GENERAL HYGIENE CONSIDERATIONS: Use good industrial hygiene practices in handling this material.

WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD: No Special Method, Dispose in accordance to Local / State / Federal Regulations

SECTION 9 : PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES					
PHYSICAL STATE	Powder				
COLOUR / ODOUR	Colour Varies (Tan to Grey)/ Odorless				
BULK DENSITY	820-900 Kg / m <sup>3</sup>				
DRY PARTICLE SIZE [TO PASS THROUGH 150μM SIEVE	98 %				
RESISTIVITY	0.8 to 2.5 (Ω / m)				
pH SLURRY (8%)	7.5 to 8.5				
CONDUCTIVITY	0.4 to 0.1.25 (S / m)				
FLASH POINT	Non-Flammable				
FLAMMABILITY LIMITS IN AIR, LOWER % BY VOLUME	Non-Explosive				
AUTO-IGNITION TEMPERATURE	N/A				
SOLUBILITY IN WATER	Slight but negligible				
BOILING POINT	2192° F (1200°C) Estimated				
SPECIFIC GRAVITY	0.82-0.90				
AVERAGE MOISTURE CONTENT & LIQUID LIMIT	≤ 13 % & ≥ 100 %				
VAPOR PRESSURE / VAPOR DENSITY / EVAPORATION RATE	N/A				
FREEZING / MELTING TEMPERATURE	N/A				



#### MSDS for BENTOEARTH (SHEET # 4/4)

SECTION 10 : STABILITY AND REACTIVITY		
CHEMICAL STABILITY	Stable at normal conditions	
CONDITIONS TO AVOID	Keep dry until used	
INCOMPATIBLITY (MATERIALS TO AVAOID)	None known	
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION OR BY-PRODUCTS	None Known	
HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION	Will not occur	

SECTION 11 : TOXICOLOGY INFORMATION		
INHALATION	Prolonged exposure, crossing limits specified in Section 2	
	may cause Pneumoconiosis, Silicosis & other respiratory	
	diseases.	
SKIN CONTACT	It is not considered as skin irritant but may cause	
	irritation	
EYE CONTACT	May cause mild irritation to Eyes	
INGESTION	Not possible normally but if taken accidently may not	
	cause death (not poisonous)	

#### **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**ECOTOXICITY**: This material is not expected to produce significant ecotoxicity upon exposure to aquatic organisms and aquatic systems.

**ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS**: Based on the physical properties of this material, it does not contain any heavy metal or toxic material and is completely "Environment Friendly"

#### **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The material has NOT regulated as HAZARDOUS waste. Disposal should be in accordance with the principles of "Duty of Care", observing local and national applicable regulations.

#### **SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**GENER AL**: Not classified as "Hazardous" for any kind of transport.

Not regulated as dangerous goods by IATA (International Air Transport Association)

Not regulated as dangerous goods by IMGD (International Maritime Dangerous Goods)

Not regulated as dangerous goods by IMO (International Maritime Organization)

Not regulated as dangerous goods by ADR (European License for Transporting Goods)

Not regulated as dangerous goods by DOT (Department of Transportation)

#### **SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

This material is not known to be hazardous by any international standard and hence this material is not classified as dangerous substance under the Classification, Packaging and Labeling of dangerous substances regulations.

#### **SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

This Material Safety Data Sheet contains <u>Confidential Proprietary Information</u> & is not to be disclosed to the general public or to competition except as required by law. The information accumulated herein is believed to be accurate to the best of ZEEMAX VENTURE'S knowledge. This information is offered solely for use in customer's evaluation of this material in respect to <u>Safety, Health, and Environmental Hazards</u>. Customers should satisfy themselves, that the product which they have selected is entirely suitable for their purpose under their conditions of use. For any further information, please contact the product owner **ZEEMAX VENTURE** 



## **MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet)**

## **GCEM (Ground Conductivity Enhancing Material)**

Based on Regulation (EC) no. 1907/2006 (REACH) Article 31 Annex II &

**OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200** 

**SHEET # 1/4** 

HMIS RATING (Hazardous Materials Identification System Rating)		
HEALTH	1 (MINIMAL HAZARD)	
FLAMMABILITY	0 (NON COMBUSTIBLE)	
REACTIVITY	0 (STABLE)	
PERSONAL PROTECTION	E	

#### **SECTION 1: PRODUCT & COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

#### PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION:

Product Name: GCEM (Ground Conductivity Enhancing Material)

Chemical Family: Naturally Occurring Minerals / Substances

Product Use: Used in Electrical Earthing (Grounding) to achieve Low Resistance of an Earthing (Grounding) System.

#### PRODUCT OWNER:

Product Owner: ZEEMAX VENTURE (JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN MALAYSIAN, SOUTH AFRICAN & USA UNIVERSITY

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SECTION 2-a: COMPOSITION & INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS			
BASIC INGREDIENTS	HALITE	HYDROUS	
		ALUMINUM SILICATE	
CAS (Chemical Abstracts Service) Registration Number	7647-14-5	1302-78-9	
Compliance with TSCA (Toxic Substance Control Act)	YES	YES	
SECTION 2-b: COMPOSITION & INFORMATION ON HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS			
HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS	CRYSTALLINE	COLLOIDAL SILICA	CRYSTO-BALITE
	QUARTZ	COLLOIDAL SILICA	CN1310-BALITE
CAS (Chemical Abstracts Service) Registration Number	14808-60-7	7631-86-9	14464-46-1
OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (Respirable Fraction)	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (%SiO <sub>2</sub> +2)	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
			(%SiO <sub>2</sub> +2)
ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (Respirable Fraction)	0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.05mg/m <sup>3</sup>
NISOH Recommended Exposure Limit (Respirable Fraction)	0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.05mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Compliance with TSCA (Toxic Substance Control Act)	YES	YES	YES
%	< 2%	< 1%	<1%

**OSHA PEL** - OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit, 8-hour Time-Weighted Average

**ACGIH TLV** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists Threshold Limit Value, 8hrTWA, 40hr/week **NIOSH REL** - National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health, Recommended Exposure Limit, 10hr TWA, 40hr/week



### MSDS for GCEM (SHEET #2/4)

#### **SECTION 3: HAZARDOUS IDENTIFICATION**

#### PERSONAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

#### **ROUTES OF EXPOSURE**

- ✓ EYE: Dust or Powder of GCEM may cause mild irritation to eye tissues.
- ✓ SKIN: Non-irritating to the skin but wet GCEM can cause skin dryness with prolonged contact with skin
- ✓ INHALATION: Repeated or Prolonged inhalation may cause toxic effects.
- ✓ INGESTION: No adverse effects expected for normal, incidental ingestion.

#### **TARGET ORGANS**

LUNGS: Normal exposure during application of the material will not result in serious adverse effects if application is done as prescribed in GCEM brochure. However this product has the potential for generation of respirable dust during use if not handled properly with gross negligence. Excessive occupational, uncontrolled and prolonged inhalation of dust may cause lung disease. Dust may contain respirable crystalline silica / nuisance dust (carbon fumes & colloidal silica). Over exposure to these dusts may result in Pneumoconiosis, a respiratory disease caused by severe or prolonged exposure to the dust. Occupational exposure to nuisance dust and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.

#### **SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

**EYE CONTACT:** Flush eyes immediately with large amounts of water. If irritation persists get medical attention.

**SKIN CONTACT:** No special measures required. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists.

**INHALATION:** Prolong inhalation may cause toxic effects. Remove to fresh air for any signs of breathing problem. If not breathing, give artificial respiration or give oxygen by trained personnel. Get medical attention if needed.

**INGESTION:** No special measures required. If ingestion of a large amount does occur, seek medical attention.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN: Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically

#### **SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

**FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES:** This material is non-combustible & will not burn.

**UNUSUAL FIRE & EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** None known

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Use any media suitable for the surrounding fires. Dry-Chemical, CO2, water spray or regular

foam.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FIREFIGHTERS:** Material can be slippery when wet

**PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIREFIGHTERS:** For the surrounding fires, the protective equipment is same as in any fire wear self contained breathing apparatus pressure demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

#### **SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED:** Vacuum if possible to avoid generating airborne dust. Avoid breathing dust. Wear an approved respirator.

**PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS:** Material can be slippery when wet. Wear a dust mask & safety glasses or goggles if dust is generated above exposure limits accidently or unintentionally during handling.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS:** No special environmental precautions required



#### MSDS for GCEM (SHEET # 3/4)

#### **SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**PRECAUTIONS:** No specific safety phrase has been found applicable for this product

**HANDLING:** Keep formation of airborne dusts to a minimum and do not breathe dust. Use normal precautions against bag breakage or spills of bulk material. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Launder clothing that has become dusty. Empty containers (bags, bulk containers, storage tanks, etc.) retain silica residue and must be handled in accordance with provisions of this Material Safety Data Sheet.

**STORAGE:** Use good housekeeping in storage and guard against dust accumulation of this material. No special storage conditions required, however care should be taken to keep the material dry before use. No special restrictions on storage with other products.

#### **SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**EXPOSURE GUIDELINES:** Occupational exposure to nuisance dust (total and respirable) as well as respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled. For extra precaution in case of repeated, excessive & prolonged applications, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

#### **PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**EYE PROTECTION:** Wear Safety glasses with side shields to avoid any accidental spill or dust formation beyond normal limits during the application of material that may cause mild irritation to the eye tissues.

**RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:** Normal application of the material does not require this; however use a particulate filter respirator for particulate concentrations exceeding the Occupational Exposure Limit.

**SKIN AND BODY PROTECTION:** No special protective equipment required.

**OTHER PROTECTIVE CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT:** As appropriate for work environment. Normal Working Gloves are recommended for Hand Protection. Dusty clothing should be laundered before reuse.

GENERAL HYGIENE CONSIDERATIONS: Use good industrial hygiene practices in handling this material.

WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD: No Special Method, Dispose of in accordance to Local / State / Federal Regulations

SECTION 9 : PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES		
PHYSICAL STATE	Powder	
COLOUR / ODOR	Colour Varies from Cream , Yellow to Pale Grey / Odorless	
DENSITY (Varies depending upon the level of	820-900 Kg / m <sup>3</sup>	
PARTICLE SIZE (DRY) TO PASS THROUGH 150μM SIEVE	90-95 %	
RESISTIVITY	0.6 (Ω-m)	
pH SLURRY (8%)	7.5 to 9.0	
CONDUCTIVITY	1.67 (S / m)	
FLASH POINT	Non-Flammable	
FLAMMABILITY LIMITS IN AIR, LOWER % BY VOLUME	Non-Explosive	
AUTO-IGNITION TEMPERATURE	N/A	
SOLUBILITY IN WATER	Slight but negligible	
BOILING POINT	2192° F (1200°C) Estimated	
SPECIFIC GRAVITY	0.9	
AVERAGE MOISTURE CONTENT & LIQUID LIMIT	≤ 13 % & ≥ 100 %	
VAPOR PRESSURE / VAPOR DENSITY / EVAPORATION	N/A	
FREEZING / MELTING TEMPERATURE	N/A	



#### MSDS for GCEM (SHEET # 4/4)

SECTION 10 : STABILITY AND REACTIVITY			
CHEMICAL STABILITY	Stable at Normal Conditions		
CONDITIONS TO AVOID	Keep Dry Until Used		
INCOMPATIBLITY (MATERIALS TO AVAOID)	None Known		
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION OR BY-PRODUCTS	None Known		
HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION	Will Not Occur		

SECTION 11 : TOXICOLOGY INFORMATION		
INHALATION	Over & Prolonged Exposure crossing Limits Specified in	
	Section 2b may cause Pneumoconiosis, Silicosis & other	
	respiratory diseases.	
SKIN CONTACT	It is not considered as skin irritant but may cause	
	irritation	
EYE CONTACT	May Cause mild irritation to Eyes	
INGESTION	Not possible normally but if taken accidently may not	
	cause death (not poisonous)	

#### **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**ECOTOXICITY**: This material is not expected to produce significant ecotoxicity upon exposure to aquatic organisms and aquatic systems.

**ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS**: Based on the physical properties of this material, it does not contain any heavy metal or toxic material and is completely Environment Friendly

#### **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The material has NOT regulated as HAZARDOUS waste. Disposal should be in accordance with the principles of Duty of Care, observing local and national applicable regulations.

#### **SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**GENER AL**: Not classified as Hazardous for Any Kind of Transport.

Not regulated as dangerous goods by IATA (International Air Transport Association)

Not regulated as dangerous goods by **IMGD** ( *International Maritime Dangerous Goods*)

Not regulated as dangerous goods by IMO (International Maritime Organization)

Not regulated as dangerous goods by ADR (European License for Transporting Goods)

Not regulated as dangerous goods by **DOT** (Department of Transportation)

#### **SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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