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**Appendix A Designated Substance Assessment Form**  
**RECORD OF DESIGNATED SUBSTANCE ASSESSMENT**

SUBSTANCE: lead plates

DATE: March 18, 2008

COMPANY: Mechanical Engineering, McMaster University

DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS: protective lead plates to shield gamma source. Gamma source is used to measure void fraction in two phase flow.

LOCATIONS: JHE 206

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TITLE: Electronic Technologist

DATE PREPARED: Nov 28, 2008

**APPLICATION - WORKSHEET 1: IS THE DESIGNATED  
SUBSTANCE PRESENT?**

1. Do any material safety data sheets from your suppliers indicate the presence of the substance?

YES ☒

NO ☐

2. If substance is present, indicate the department where it is used, nature of the use (i.e. Direct or indirect) and the quantity used per month or year:

<b><u>Product Name</u></b>	<b><u>Department</u></b>	<b><u>How Used? Direct / Indirect</u></b>	<b><u>Quantity Per Month / Year</u></b>
Lead Plates	mech eng	Direct	10 plates permanent. Size 5 ½ X 6 ¼ X ¾ inches

**CONCLUSIONS**

Read statements and check applicable box:

☐ Substance not present anywhere in workplace; regulation does not apply  
**No Assessment needed**

☒ Processes / activities have been identified where substance present.  
**Proceed to worksheet 2.**

**APPLICATION - WORKSHEET 2: IS WORKER EXPOSURE LIKELY**

1. In what form does the substance enter the plant?  
Product Title:  
Type of Container: none    Size of Container:
2. Is this form altered during use or in the operation: YES            NO X  
  
If YES, indicate altered form: wire melted to new shape
3. Is there a possibility of the substance being released into the workplace environment during normal use? YES            NO X
4. If YES, to Question 3, specify the job functions and approximate number of employees who might be exposed:  
  

Job Function	Number of Employees
Graduate Students	1
5. If YES, to Question 3, Indicate how workers could be exposed:  
Inhalation ☐    Ingestion x    Skin Absorption ☐  
Skin Contact ☐
6. If NO, to Question 3, is there a likelihood of escape due to leaks, accidents, etc.?  
YES ☐            NO ☐ X
7. Are workers likely to be exposed? YES x            NO ☐

**CONCLUSIONS**

Are there any activities / situations where exposure by any route is likely

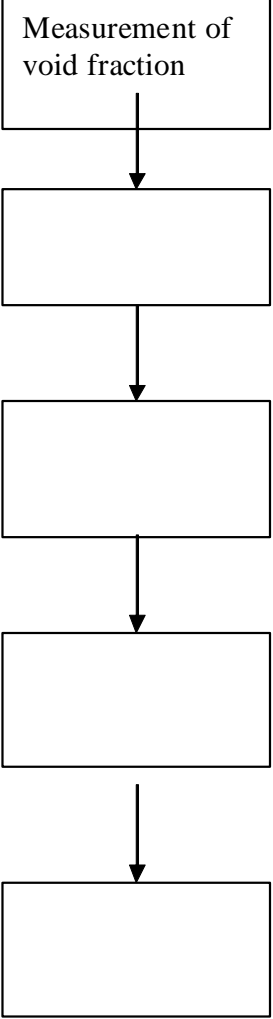
YES x            NO

If NO, no further action is necessary. Date Completed November 27, 2008.

If YES, an assessment is necessary – **proceed to Section III**

Note: If protection against exposure has been left up to some engineering control measure which can fail, or deteriorate for any reason, or to a work hygiene practice, an assessment is necessary -**Proceed to Section III**

**ASSESSMENT – WORKSHEET 3: PROCESS DESCRIPTION****NAME OF PROCESS: measurement of void fraction using gamma source**

<b><u>Process Flow</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Likely Exposure Yes / No</u></b>
1. Measurement of void fraction  <pre> graph TD     1[1. Measurement of void fraction] --&gt; 2[2.]     2 --&gt; 3[3.]     3 --&gt; 4[4.]     4 --&gt; 5[5.] </pre>	There is no need to touch lead under normal testing. There is a possibility the plates may be touched.	No

**ASSESSMENT – WORKSHEET 4: EXISTING CONTROLS**

<b><u>Process Flow Stage</u></b>	<b><u>Control Description</u></b>	<b><u>Problems / Recommendations</u></b>
Measurement of void fraction	<b><u>Engineering Controls:</u></b>  Plates are held securely in place.  <b><u>Work Practices</u></b> There is no need to handle plate hile performing experiments.	If plates are handled wash hand.

**ASSESSMENT – WORKSHEET 4: - EXISTING CONTROLS (cont'd)**

<b><u>Process Flow Stage</u></b>	<b><u>Control Description</u></b>	<b><u>Problems / Recommendations</u></b>
Measurement of void fraction	<p><b>Hygiene Facilities and Practices:</b></p> <p>Avoid touching plates. If plates are handled, wash hand.</p> <p><b>Training / Information:</b></p> <p>Instruct students to wash hands after handling plates.</p> <p><b>Emergency Procedures / Equipment</b></p> <p>none</p> <p><b>Personal Protective Equipment</b></p> <p>none</p>	<p>Wash hands after use</p> <p>Instruct employee to wash hands after handling plates</p>

**ASSESSMENT – WORKSHEET 5: JOB EXPOSURE ANALYSIS**

<b>Process Flow Stage</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Total Number of Employees</b>	<b>Tasks Where Exposure Likely</b>	<b>Duration Hrs per Week</b>	<b>PPE Req'd To Be Used</b>
Measurement of void fraction	Graduate student	1	Measurement of void fraction	2-20 hours	none

**CONCLUSIONS**

Jobs/ tasks to be noted during walk through survey: Ensure solder is stored in designed location.

**ASSESSMENT – WORKSHEET 6: HEALTH EFFECTS**

1. Any reported health effects? If so, describe. No.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Any current Medical Program? If so, describe. No
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Previous exposure monitoring results? If so, describe.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  

**CONCLUSIONS**

Health effects known at this stage: YES NO ☐n

Further information required: YES ☐ NO X



**ASSESSMENT – WORKSHEET 7: FLOOR PLAN****LOCATION:** jhe208a**DATE:** May 12, 2008

SW									
door									
						Lead plates			

**DIMENSIONS:** page = room

○ WORK STATION – enter number form job title – Worksheet 5

△ EXPOSURE SOURCE – enter number from Process Flow – Worksheet 3

□ VENTILATION – enter L for local exhaust &amp; G for general ventilation

**ASSESSMENT – WORKSHEET 8: WALK THROUGH**

Evidence of Contamination:

none

Hygiene Facilities and Work Practices:

Avoid touching plates. If plates are handled, wash hand.

Ventilation Systems:

none

Storage Facilities:

None, stored in experimental apparatus.

**ASSESSMENT – WORKSHEET 8: WALK THROUGH (cont'd)**

Dispensing Procedures:

Housekeeping:

Personal Protective Equipment:

Emergency Facilities / Procedures:

**ASSESSMENT – WORKSHEET 9: WALK THROUGH CONCLUSIONS**

- 1(a). Were any areas found where controls are required or where existing controls may require improvement?

YES ☐ NO ☒

- 1(b). If YES, indicate the areas where the controls may be required or where existing controls may require improvement.

**AREA**

**SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS**

- 2(a). Personal exposure monitoring is required. YES ☐ NO ☒

- 2(b). If YES, Indicate where:

3. Indicate any workers for whom medical testing and / or examinations may be required.

**CONCLUSION: WORKSHEET 10: IS A CONTROL PROGRAM NECESSARY?**

☒ CONCLUSION A: NO WORKER'S HEALTH MAY BE AFFECTED.

☐ CONCLUSION B: A WORKER'S HEALTH MAY BE AFFECTED.

**OVERALL CONCLUSION**

A control program is necessary. YES ☐ NO ☒

Improvements needed in existing program: NO

DATE November 27,2008\_\_

SIGNED Joe Verhaeghe