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Product Bulletin

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Chemical Description

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STEPAN[®] PEARL 4

Anionic/Ester/Nonionic Blend

3088-31-1, 627-83-8, 68140-00-1, 9002-92-0

Sodium Laureth Sulfate/Glycol Distearate/Cocamide MEA/Laureth-12

STEPAN PEARL 4 is a special blend which enables the formulator to incorporate a pearlescent appearance into shampoos, bubble baths, handsoaps, and other personal care products without additional heating or extended processing time.

The unique emulsifier package in STEPAN PEARL 4 produces excellent pearlescence through cold blending. This eliminates the need for external heating such as with mono and di-stearates and allows the formulator to produce a product at ambient temperatures. As a result, the formulator benefits from direct energy savings as well as quicker batch cycling.

It is recommended that STEPAN PEARL 4 be incorporated into alcohol sulfate or alcohol ethoxylate systems. Common use levels of 1% to 5%, depending on the desired intensity of pearlescence, are recommended. Typically, 2.5% to 3% will achieve an aesthetically acceptable pearl.

Appearance at 25°C	White, pearlescent cream
Solids, %	
pH, 10% aqueous dispersion	7.0
Sodium Chloride, %	
Viscosity, cps at 25°C	
Density, g/ml (lbs/U.S. gal)	
Freeze Point, °C (°F)	4 (40)
Pour Point, °C (°F)	
Flash Point (PMCC), °C (°F)	
RVOC, U.S. EPA, %	

Normal safety precautions (i.e. gloves and safety goggles) should be employed when handling STEPAN PEARL 4. Contact with the eyes and prolonged contact with the skin should be avoided. Wash thoroughly after handling material.

It is recommended that STEPAN PEARL 4 be stored in sealed containers and kept at temperatures between 40°F (4.5°C) and 110°F (43.3°C). Avoid overheating or freezing.

Standard Packaging: STEPAN PEARL 4 is available in 55 gallon drums (450 lb, 204 kg).

All components of STEPAN PEARL 4 are listed in the following countries; the registration numbers for the active ingredients are included in parentheses: United States (TSCA 3088-31-1, 627-83-8, 68140-00-1, 9002-92-0), Europe (EINECS 221-416-0, 268-770-2, 211-014-3), Canada (DSL 3088-31-1, 627-83-8, 68140-00-1, 9002-92-0), Australia (AICS 3088-31-1, 627-83-8, 68140-00-1, 9002-92-0), Philippines (PICCS 3088-31-1, 627-83-8, 68140-00-1, 9002-92-0), Japan (ENCS 2-1682, 2-827, 2-2492x, 7-97) and China (ENCSC 3088-31-1, 627-83-8, 68140-00-1, 9002-92-0).

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Formulation

PEARLIZED BODY WASH

Ingredients	Wt, % (as is)	<u>Function</u>
1. D.I. Water	q.s. to 100	Carrier
2. STEOL [®] CS-230	46.2	Primary Surfactant, Cleansing Agt
3. AMPHOSOL® CA	10.0	Secondary Surfactant
4. AMPHOSOL 1C	3.0	Conditioning Agt, Viscosity Adjuster
5. STEPAN PEARL 4	3.0	Pearlescent Agent
6. Versene 100 (Dow)	0.2	Chelating Agent
Tetrasodium EDTA		
7. Citric Acid	0.2	Buffer
8. Preservative	q.s.	Preservative
Citric Acid or	q.s. to pH	pH Adjuster
Sodium Hydroxide		
10.Sodium Chloride	q.s. to desired viscosity	Viscosity Adjuster

Mixing Procedure:

Charge STEOL CS-230 and water to vessel. With mixing, add the remaining ingredients. Adjust pH and viscosity.

Physical Properties:

Appearance at 25°C	White, pearlescent liquid
pH (as is)	6.5 – 7.0
Viscosity at 25°C	4000 – 6000 cps

Additional Safety Information

A Material Safety Data Sheet is available upon request.

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