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### SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product identifier used on the label

: **Athena Pro Core**

Other means of identification : None assigned.

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

: Hydroponic plant nutrient/fertilizer  
Recommended restrictions: None known.

Chemical family

: Mixture

Name, address, and telephone number  
of the supplier:

**Athena Ag. Inc.**

1300 Marsh Landing Parkway, #106  
Jacksonville Beach, FL, USA  
32250

Supplier's Telephone # : 1 (818) 333-1818

**24 Hr. Emergency Tel #** : INFOTRAC: (800) 535-5053 (Within Continental US and Canada); + 001 (352)  
323-3500 (International)

Name, address, and telephone number of  
the manufacturer:

Refer to supplier

### SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the chemical

Tan Powder. Odorless.

Most important hazards: Harmful if swallowed. Causes serious eye damage. May damage fertility or the unborn child if inhaled. For further information, please refer to section 11 of the SDS.

This material is classified as hazardous under U.S. OSHA regulations (29CFR 1910.1200) (Hazcom 2012) and Canadian WHMIS regulations (Hazardous Products Regulations) (WHMIS 2015).

Hazard classification:

Acute toxicity, oral - Category 4

Serious eye damage/eye irritation - Category 1

Reproductive Toxicity-Category 1

Label elements

Hazard pictogram(s)



Signal Word

**DANGER!**

Hazard statement(s)

Harmful if swallowed.

Causes serious eye damage.

May damage fertility or the unborn child.

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### Precautionary statement(s)

Obtain special instructions before use.  
Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
Wash thoroughly after handling.  
Wear protective gloves/clothing and eye/face protection.

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.  
IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.  
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

Store locked up.

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulation.

### Other hazards

Other hazards which do not result in classification:

Direct skin contact may cause slight or mild, transient irritation. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

Ecological information:

Not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms. Avoid release to the environment.  
See Section 12 for more environmental information.

### SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Mixture.

<u>Chemical name</u>	<u>Common name and synonyms</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>Concentration (% by weight)</u>
Nitric acid, ammonium calcium salt	Calcium nitrate	15245-12-2	80.0 - 100.0
Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate	Disodium; boron; oxygen(2-) tetrahydrate; Sodium borate	12280-03-4	0.1 - 1.0

The exact concentrations of the above listed chemicals are being withheld as a trade secret.

### SECTION 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

#### Description of first aid measures

- Ingestion* : Rinse mouth thoroughly. Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If vomiting occurs spontaneously, keep victim's head lowered (forward) to reduce the risk of aspiration. Get medical attention immediately.
- Inhalation* : Harmful effects are not expected under normal usage. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen by qualified medical personnel only.
- Skin contact* : Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
- Eye contact* : IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

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### Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

- : Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include a burning sensation, pain, watering, and/or changes in vision (blurred vision). Permanent eye damage including blindness could result. Harmful if swallowed. May damage fertility or the unborn child.  
Direct skin contact may cause slight or mild, transient irritation. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

### Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

- : Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

## SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

### Extinguishing media

#### *Suitable extinguishing media*

- : Water spray, fog (flooding amounts).

#### *Unsuitable extinguishing media*

- : Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread the fire.  
Do not use carbon dioxide or other smothering agents, as they may be ineffective.

### Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture / Conditions of flammability

- : Not considered flammable. Toxic fumes, gases or vapours may evolve on burning. May decompose to form toxic/corrosive gasses if exposed to high heat. Closed containers may rupture if exposed to excess heat or flame due to a build-up of internal pressure.

### Flammability classification (OSHA 29 CFR 1910.106)

- : Not flammable.

### Hazardous combustion products

- : Nitrogen oxides (NOx); Calcium oxides; Ammonia; and other irritating fumes and smoke.

### Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

#### *Protective equipment for fire-fighters*

- : Do not enter without wearing specialized protective equipment suitable for the situation. Firefighter's normal protective clothing (Bunker Gear) will not provide adequate protection. A full-body encapsulating chemical protective suit with positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (NIOSH approved or equivalent) may be necessary.

#### *Special fire-fighting procedures*

- : Move containers from fire area if safe to do so. Contaminated surfaces may be slippery. Cool closed containers exposed to fire with water spray. Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses. Dike for water control.

## SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

- : Restrict access to area until completion of clean-up. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Contaminated surfaces may be slippery. All persons dealing with clean-up should wear the appropriate protective equipment including self-contained breathing apparatus.  
Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.

**Environmental precautions** : Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains, sewers, waterways and soil.

### Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

- : Ventilate the contaminated area. Remove all sources of ignition. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. For waste disposal, see Section 13.

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### Special spill response procedures

- : If a spill/release in excess of the EPA reportable quantity is made into the environment, immediately notify the National Response Center in the United States (phone: 1-800-424-8802).

EPA/CERCLA Reportable quantity (RQ): See section 15.

In Canada: Contact appropriate local and provincial environmental authorities for assistance and/or reporting requirements.

### SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### Precautions for safe handling

- : Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Keep container tightly closed when not in use. Wear appropriate protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Do not ingest. Wash thoroughly after handling. Keep away from incompatibles. Keep away from extreme heat and flame. Empty containers retain residue and can be dangerous.

#### Conditions for safe storage

- : Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area. Store away from incompatible materials. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Keep away from direct sunlight. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Do not store in open or unlabelled containers. Storage area should be clearly identified, clear of obstruction and accessible only to trained and authorized personnel. No smoking. Inspect periodically for damage or leaks. Have appropriate fire extinguishers and spill clean-up equipment in or near storage area.

#### Incompatible materials

- : Acids; Bases; Reducing agents.

### SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

<u>Exposure Limits:</u>				
<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>ACGIH TLV</u>		<u>OSHA PEL</u>	
	<u>TWA</u>	<u>STEL</u>	<u>PEL</u>	<u>STEL</u>
Nitric acid, ammonium calcium salt	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av
Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av

#### Exposure controls

##### Ventilation and engineering measures

- : Use only in well-ventilated areas. Apply technical measures to comply with the occupational exposure limits. Where reasonably practicable this should be achieved by the use of local exhaust ventilation and good general extraction. In case of insufficient ventilation wear suitable respiratory equipment.

##### Respiratory protection

- : If airbourne concentrations are above the permissible exposure limit or are not known, use NIOSH-approved respirators. Use a NIOSH approved dust respirator if dust levels exceed exposure limits. Respirators should be selected based on the form and concentration of contaminants in air, and in accordance with OSHA (29 CFR 1910.134) or CSA Z94.4-02. Advice should be sought from respiratory protection specialists.

##### Skin protection

- : Wear protective gloves. Wear protective gloves/clothing. The suitability for a specific workplace should be discussed with the producers of the protective gloves. Depending on conditions of use, safety shoes and additional protective clothing may also be necessary.

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**Eye / face protection** : Wear eye/face protection. Chemical goggles must be worn to prevent dusts from entering the eyes.

**Other protective equipment** : Emergency showers and eyewash facilities should be nearby. Other equipment may be required depending on workplace standards.

**General hygiene considerations**

: Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands thoroughly after using this product, and before eating, drinking or smoking. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

**Appearance** : Tan Powder.

**Odour** : Odorless.

**Odour threshold** : Not available.

**pH** : 3-4.5 (10% Solution)

**Melting Point/Freezing point** : Not available.

**Initial boiling point and boiling range**

: >500°C

**Flash point** : Not available.

**Flashpoint (Method)** : Not available.

**Evaporation rate (BuAe = 1)** : Not available.

**Flammability (solid, gas)** : Not considered flammable.

**Lower flammable limit (% by vol.)**

: Not available.

**Upper flammable limit (% by vol.)**

: Not available.

**Oxidizing properties** : None.

**Explosive properties** : Not explosive

**Vapour pressure** : Not available.

**Vapour density** : Not available.

**Relative density / Specific gravity**

: 1.1 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

**Solubility in water** : Soluble

**Other solubility(ies)** : Not available.

**Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water or Coefficient of water/oil distribution**

: Not available.

**Auto-ignition temperature** : Not available.

**Decomposition temperature** : >500°C

**Viscosity** : Not available.

**Volatiles (% by weight)** : Not available.

**Volatile organic Compounds (VOC's)**

: Not available.

**Absolute pressure of container**

: Not applicable.

**Flame projection length** : Not applicable.

**Other physical/chemical comments**

: No additional information.

**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

**Reactivity** : Not normally reactive.

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- Chemical stability** : Stable under normal conditions.
- Possibility of hazardous reactions** : Hazardous polymerization does not occur. No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
- Conditions to avoid** : Avoid contact with incompatible materials. Keep away from extreme heat and flame. Avoid dust formation.
- Incompatible materials** : Acids; Bases; Reducing agents.
- Hazardous decomposition products** : Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>); Calcium oxides; Ammonia.

**SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Information on likely routes of exposure:****Routes of entry inhalation** : YES**Routes of entry skin & eye** : YES**Routes of entry Ingestion** : YES**Routes of exposure skin absorption**  
: YES**Potential Health Effects:****Signs and symptoms of short-term (acute) exposure***Sign and symptoms Inhalation*

: Harmful effects are not expected under normal usage.

*Sign and symptoms ingestion*

: Harmful if swallowed. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

*Sign and symptoms skin*

: Direct skin contact may cause slight or mild, transient irritation.

*Sign and symptoms eyes*

: Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include a burning sensation, pain, watering, and/or changes in vision (blurred vision). Permanent eye damage including blindness could result.

**Potential Chronic Health Effects**

: Contains material which may cause adverse blood system effects.

**Mutagenicity**

: Not expected to be mutagenic in humans.

**Carcinogenicity**

: No component of this product present at levels greater than, or equal to, 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH, IARC, OSHA, or NTP.

**Reproductive effects & Teratogenicity**

: Reproductive Toxicity-Category 1. May damage fertility or the unborn child.

**Sensitization to material**

: Not expected to be a skin or respiratory sensitizer.

**Specific target organ effects**

: Not classified as a specific target organ toxicity-single exposure. Not classified as specific target organ toxicity-repeated exposure.

**Medical conditions aggravated by overexposure**

: Pre-existing skin, eye and respiratory disorders.

**Synergistic materials**

: No information available.

**Toxicological data**

: There is no available data for the product itself, only for the ingredients. See below for individual ingredient acute toxicity data.

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<u>Chemical name</u>	<u>LC<sub>50</sub>(4hr)</u> <u>inh. rat</u>	<u>LD<sub>50</sub></u>	
		<u>(Oral, rat)</u>	<u>(Rabbit, dermal)</u>
Nitric acid, ammonium calcium salt	N/Av	>300 - <2000 mg/kg	>2000 mg/kg (rat) (No mortality)
Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate	N/Av	2000 mg/kg	>2000 mg/kg

**Other important toxicological hazards**

: None reported by the manufacturer.

### SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity** : Not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms. The product should not be allowed to enter drains or water courses, or be deposited where it can affect ground or surface waters. See the following tables for the substance's ecotoxicity data.

**Ecotoxicity data:**

<u>Ingredients</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>Toxicity to Fish</u>		
		<u>LC50 / 96h</u>	<u>NOEC / 21 day</u>	<u>M Factor</u>
Nitric acid, ammonium calcium salt	15245-12-2	>100 mg/L Rainbow trout Read-across (Analogy)	157 mg/L (32 days) (Read-across)	None.
Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate	12280-03-4	N/Av	N/Av	None.

<u>Ingredients</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>Toxicity to Daphnia</u>		
		<u>EC50 / 48h</u>	<u>NOEC / 21 day</u>	<u>M Factor</u>
Nitric acid, ammonium calcium salt	15245-12-2	>100 mg/L Daphnia magna (Water flea)	N/Av	None.
Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate	12280-03-4	N/Av	N/Av	None.

<u>Ingredients</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>Toxicity to Algae</u>		
		<u>EC50 / 96h or 72h</u>	<u>NOEC / 96h or 72h</u>	<u>M Factor</u>
Nitric acid, ammonium calcium salt	15245-12-2	>100 mg/L/72hr Green algae	100 mg/L/72hr	None.
Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate	12280-03-4	N/Av	N/Av	None.

**Persistence and degradability**

: No data is available on the product itself.

**Bioaccumulation potential**

: Not expected to bioaccumulate.  
 See the following data for ingredient information.

<u>Components</u>	<u>Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log Kow)</u>	<u>Bioconcentration factor (BCF)</u>
Nitric acid, ammonium calcium salt (CAS 15245-12-2)	N/Av	Not expected to bioaccumula

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- Mobility in soil** : There is no data available for this product.
- Other Adverse Environmental effects** : No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

### SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Handling for Disposal** : Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.
- Methods of Disposal** : Dispose in accordance with all applicable federal, state, provincial and local regulations.
- RCRA** : If this product, as supplied, becomes a waste in the United States, it may meet the criteria of a hazardous waste as defined under RCRA, Title 40 CFR 261. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the proper waste identification and disposal method. For disposal of unused or waste material, check with local, state and federal environmental agencies.

### SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Regulatory Information	UN Number	UN proper shipping name	Transport hazard class(es)	Packing Group	Label
49CFR/DOT	None.	Not regulated.	not regulated	none	
<b>49CFR/DOT Additional information</b>	None.				
TDG	None.	Not regulated.	not regulated	none	
<b>TDG Additional information</b>	None.				
ICAO/IATA	None.	Not regulated.	not regulated	none	
<b>ICAO/IATA Additional information</b>	None.				
IMDG	None.	Not regulated.	not regulated	none	
<b>IMDG Additional information</b>	None.				

- Special precautions for user** : Appropriate advice on safety must accompany the package.
- Environmental hazards** : This substance does not meet the criteria for an environmentally hazardous substance according to the IMDG Code. See ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION, Section 12.





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Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

: This information is not available.

### SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

**US Federal Information:**

Components listed below are present on the following U.S. Federal chemical lists:

<u>Ingredients</u>	CAS #	TSCA Inventory	CERCLA Reportable Quantity (RQ) (40 CFR 117.302):	SARA TITLE III: Sec. 302, Extremely Hazardous Substance, 40 CFR 355:	SARA TITLE III: Sec. 313, 40 CFR 372, Specific Toxic Chemical	
					Toxic Chemical	de minimus Concentration
Nitric acid, ammonium calcium salt	15245-12-2	Yes	N/Ap	N/Ap	No	N/Ap
Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate	12280-03-4	NL	N/Ap	N/Av	No	N/Ap

SARA TITLE III: Sec. 311 and 312, SDS Requirements, 40 CFR 370 Hazard Classes: Acute toxicity, Eye Damage, Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure

**US State Right to Know Laws:**

The following chemicals are specifically listed by individual States:

<u>Ingredients</u>	CAS #	California Proposition 65		State "Right to Know" Lists					
		Listed	Type of Toxicity	CA	MA	MN	NJ	PA	RI
Nitric acid, ammonium calcium salt	15245-12-2	No	N/Ap	No	No	No	No	No	No
Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate	12280-03-4	No	N/Ap	No	No	No	No	No	No

**Canadian Information:**

All ingredients listed appear on the Domestic Substances List (DSL) except: (CAS#12280-03-4)

**International Information:**

Components listed below are present on the following International Inventory list:

<u>Ingredients</u>	CAS #	European EINECS	Australia AICS	Philippines PICCS	Japan ENCS	Korea KECI/KECL	China IECSC	NewZealand IOC
Nitric acid, ammonium calcium salt	15245-12-2	239-289-5	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	KE-25913	Not listed	May be used as a component in a product covered by a group standard, but is not approved for use as a chemical in its own right.
Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate	12280-03-4	602-894-3	Not listed	Present	Not listed	Not listed	Present	HSR003137

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### SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

- Legend**
- : ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
  - AICS: Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
  - CAS: Chemical Abstract Services
  - CERCLA: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980
  - CFR: Code of Federal Regulations
  - CSA: Canadian Standards Association
  - EC50: Effective Concentration 50%
  - ENCS: Existing and New Chemical Substances
  - EPA: Environmental Protection Agency
  - IECSC: Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances
  - Inh: Inhalation
  - IOC: Inventory of Chemicals
  - KECI: Korean Existing Chemicals Inventory
  - KECL: Korean Existing Chemicals List
  - LC: Lethal Concentration
  - LD: Lethal Dose
  - N/Ap: Not Applicable
  - N/Av: Not Available
  - NIOSH: National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health
  - NOEC: No observable effect concentration
  - NTP: National Toxicology Program
  - OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration
  - PEL: Permissible exposure limit
  - PICCS: Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
  - SARA: Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
  - STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit
  - TDG: Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act & Regulations
  - TLV: Threshold Limit Values
  - TSCA: Toxic Substance Control Act
  - TWA: Time Weighted Average
- References**
- : 1. ACGIH, Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances and Physical Agents & Biological Exposure Indices
  - 2. ECHA - European Chemical Agency
  - 3. Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety, CInfoWeb databases
  - 4. Safety Data Sheets from manufacturer.
  - 5. US EPA Title III List of Lists
  - 6. California Proposition 65 List
  - 7. OECD - The Global Portal to Information on Chemical Substances - eChemPortal
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- Other special considerations for handling**
- : Provide adequate information, instruction and training for operators.

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