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## Memorandum

**To:** Users of SKC Products  
**From:** Deborah F. Dietrich, CIH  
Industrial Hygienist for SKC Inc.  
**Date:** 3/19/2007  
**Re:** Material Safety Data Sheets for SKC Samplers

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In response to your request for a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for an SKC manufactured product, please be advised that SKC Inc. has determined that our manufactured products including sorbent sample tubes, passive samplers, coated filters, sample pumps with nickel-cadmium or nickel-metal hydride battery packs meet the definition of an **article**. As such these products do not require Material Safety Data Sheets under the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

By definition, a manufactured item is exempted from the Hazard Communication Standard as an **article** if "under normal conditions of use it does not release more than very small quantities, e.g., minute or trace amounts of a hazardous chemical...and does not pose a physical hazard or health risk to employees."

In the past, SKC supplied to customers on request a copy of a letter from OSHA stating that sorbent sample tubes met the definition of an **article**. The definition of the article exemption has not changed since the standard was originally published in 1983. However, in 1994, the definition was amended to provide clarification and OSHA no longer issues letters declaring an item as an article. This responsibility now rests with the manufacturer. For complete standard interpretation, visit the OSHA website at [www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov).

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