

## INFORMATION

# **MESUCO-BEN**

API Sec 13A Section 6 OCMA GRADE BENTONITE

#### **DESCRIPTION**

MESUCO-BEN is a selected bentonite that is carefully processed and converted to a high yielding sodium montmorillonite bentonite, which is guaranteed to strictly conform to API Specification 13A Section 11 covering OCMA Grade bentonite. It is non-toxic in nature, and suitable for a variety of applications, including water well drilling.

#### **APPLICATION**

MESUCO-BEN is an effective viscosifier and water loss control agent for fresh water muds. The yield of MESUCO-BEN is above  $16.0 \, \text{m}^3/\text{tonne}$  (91 bbl/st) of 15 centipoise mud. In concentrations of approximately  $7.5 \, \text{g}/100 \, \text{ml}$  ( $26.25 \, \text{ppb}$ ), the API filtrate will be reduced to 15 ml and below. Prehydrated MESUCO-BEN also provides viscosity with some filtration control in sea and salt muds.

### RECOMMENDED TREATMENT

In conventional freshwater muds, 22 to 35 ppb (63 to  $100 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ). In polymer-extended (low solids) muds, 14 to 20 ppb (40 to  $57 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ). In KCl or salt-polymer muds, 4 to 10 ppb (11 to 29 kg/m³) of prehydrated MESUCO-BEN is sometimes used to improve filter cake and lubricity. In sea and salt muds, 10 to 30 ppb (29 to 86 kg/m³), prehydrated.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Quality reports are issued on each shipment of MESUCO-BEN.

MESUCO-GEL, an API Sec 13A Section 4 grade Wyoming bentonite, and PUREGEL, an API Spec 13A Section 5 nontreated bentonite, are also available upon request.

#### **PACKAGING**

MESUCO-BEN is normally packaged in 25 or 50 kg net export quality bags (5-ply, one ply being water-proofed). Alternate packaging as well as palletization, overwrapping and strapping, is available on request.

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