# Section 1: Company and Product Identification and Use

**PRODUCT NAME:** Ethy-Gen® II Ripening Concentrate  
**PRODUCT USE:** In a Catalytic Generator for Fruit Ripening, Tobacco and Citrus Degreening. For Industry Use Only in Commercial Ripening Rooms.  
**MANUFACTURER:** Catalytic Generators, LLC  
1185 Pineridge Road  
Norfolk, VA 23502-2095 U.S.A.  
**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE:** CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300 (North America) or (703) 527-3887  
**PREPARED BY:** Catalytic Generators, LLC  
**TELEPHONE:** (757) 855-0191  
**PREPARATION DATE:** August 2008

# Section 2: Hazardous Ingredients

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<td>60 - 100</td>
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<td>Rat (Oral) 7060 mg/kg</td>
<td>Rat (Inhalation) 20,000 ppm, 10 hour</td>
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<td>Ethyl Acetate</td>
<td>1 - 5</td>
<td>141-78-6</td>
<td>Rat (Oral) 5620 mg/kg</td>
<td>Rat (Inhalation) 200 mg/l, 1 hour</td>
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<tr>
<td>Isopropyl Alcohol</td>
<td>1 - 5</td>
<td>67-63-0</td>
<td>Rat (Oral) 4700 mg/kg</td>
<td>Rat (Inhalation) 19,000 ppm, 8 hour</td>
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# Section 3: Hazards Identification

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:**  
Hazard: Warning! Flammable Liquid. Can burn with little or no visible flame. May be irritating to the eyes and upper respiratory tract. May affect the central nervous system.  
Appearance: Clear / Transparent Liquid  
Odor: Fruity / Sweet

**Potential Health Effects**  
**ROUTES OF ENTRY:** Skin Contact / Eye Contact / Inhalation / Ingestion  
**EFFECTS OF ACUTE EXPOSURE TO PRODUCT:** May cause eye and upper respiratory tract irritation. Short-term overexposure above 1,000 ppm by the inhalation route may cause central nervous system (CNS) effects such as headache and irritation of eyes, nose and throat. If continued for more than an hour additional CNS effects may occur such as: dizziness, drowsiness, loss of appetite, and an inability to concentrate. Gastrointestinal (stomach) effects may occur with symptoms such as nausea and vomiting.  
**SKIN:** Defatting of the skin with irritation, dryness and cracking  
**EYE:** Eye exposure generally causes transient pain, irritation, and reflex lid closure. A foreignbody sensation may persist for one to two days. Vapors produce transient stinging and tearing, but no apparent adverse effects. Transiently impaired perception of color may occur with acute ingestion or chronic alcoholism.
EFFECTS OF CHRONIC EXPOSURE TO PRODUCT:

Long-term exposure can cause loss of appetite, weight loss, nervousness, memory loss, mental retardation and liver damage. May cause dermatitis by defatting the skin from prolonged or repeated contact. Alcoholic beverages are carcinogenic to humans. Ethanol has developmental effects that are associated with ethanol intake. Examples of chronic ethanol abuse effects include physical dependence, malnutrition, amnesia, dementia, somnolence, cardiac myopathy, hepatotoxicity, GI bleeding and pancreatitis. Combined exposure to ethanol and certain other chemicals may result in increased effects.

Section 4: First Aid Measures

INGESTION:
• Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice.
• Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow.
• Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control center or doctor.
• Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

INHALATION:
• Move person to fresh air.
• If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth if possible.
• Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.

EYE CONTACT:
• Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye.
• Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

SKIN CONTACT:
• Take off contaminated clothing.
• Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes.
• Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

FLAMMABILITY:
Yes, under conditions of heat, sparks, open flames, contact with oxidizing materials.

MEANS OF EXTINCTION:
Alcohol foam, CO₂, dry chemical. Cool exposed containers with water. Water may be ineffective on fire.

FLASHPOINT AND METHOD:
12°C (53.6°F), Closed Cup

UPPER FLAMMABLE LIMIT:
14.0% by volume

LOWER FLAMMABLE LIMIT:
3.5% by volume

AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE:
Determined not to have an auto-ignition temperature below 400°C (752°F)

EXPLOSION DATA:
Insensitive to impact. Unlikely to accumulate a static charge. Flashback along vapor trail may occur. Vapor may explode if ignited in an enclosed area.

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS:
Burning can produce Carbon Monoxide (CO; highly toxic if inhaled) and/or Carbon Dioxide (CO₂; in sufficient concentrations can act as an asphyxiant).

NFPA:
Health: 1  Fire: 3  Reactivity: 0

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Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

LEAK AND SPILL PROCEDURES:
Assure adequate ventilation in leak or spill area. Remove all sources of heat or ignition. Depending upon the nature and size of the release, responders may need to be HAZWOPER trained. Responders must be provided with appropriate personal protective equipment. If necessary, use water spray or alcohol-resistant foam to reduce vapors. Contain and recover the liquid, where possible. Do not flush to sewer. Absorb liquid onto a compatible absorbent material; handle as a flammable material. Containerize spill cleanup residues to prevent release of vapors, prevent contact with heat, sparks, open flames, and oxidizing materials.

Section 7: Handling and Storage

HANDLING PROCEDURES: Avoid contact with sparks, open flames, and oxidizing materials. Do not smoke while using this product. When transferring product from a metal container, ensure that container is grounded.

STORAGE PROCEDURES: Store in a dry locked storage area in accordance with local fire code.

NOTE: The ethylene generated by the use of this product is a simple asphyxiant at high levels and is flammable. The Lower Explosive Limit of ethylene is 2.7% (27,000 ppm).

Section 8: Exposure Control / Personal Protection

EXPOSURE LIMITS

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<td>OSHA PEL</td>
<td>1,000 PPM</td>
<td>400 PPM</td>
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<td>ACGIH TLV</td>
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ENGINEERING CONTROLS: Use in well ventilated area. When necessary, a system of local or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures below allowable exposure limits. When transferring product from a metal container, ensure that container is grounded.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:
Skin: Use chemical-resistant gloves such as rubber, neoprene or vinyl. When skin contact is possible, wear long-sleeved shirt, long pants, socks, shoes, head and face protection.
Eye: Use chemical / splash safety goggles when eye contact is possible.
Inhalation: Under normal conditions, the use of this product should not require respiratory protection. Whenever conditions warrant respirator use, a respiratory program that meets OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134 or ANSI Z88.2 requirements must be followed.

Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

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<td>ODOR AND APPEARANCE</td>
<td>Clear with Fruity Odor</td>
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<td>SPECIFIC GRAVITY</td>
<td>0.793 @ 20°C (68°F)</td>
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<td>VAPOR DENSITY</td>
<td>1.59</td>
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<td>VAPOR PRESSURE</td>
<td>44.6 mmHg @ 20°C (68°F)</td>
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<td>BOILING POINT</td>
<td>78.3°C (173°F)</td>
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<td>FREEZING POINT</td>
<td>-114.1°C (-173.4°F)</td>
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<td>VISCOSITY</td>
<td>1.49 @ 20°C (68°F)</td>
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<td>COEFFICIENT OF WATER / OIL DISTRIBUTION</td>
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### Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

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<td>Substances to Avoid:</td>
<td>Contact with acetyl chloride or other strong oxidizing agents may result in a violent reaction</td>
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<td>Reactivity:</td>
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<td>Decomposition Products:</td>
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<td>Conditions to Avoid:</td>
<td>Avoid contact with strong oxidizers, excessive heat, sparks or open flame</td>
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<td>Hazardous Polymerization:</td>
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### Section 11: Toxicological Properties

This product has not been tested for toxicological properties; however, the ingredients have.

**Ethanol**

Ethanol is not toxic by OSHA criteria. Given that OSHA has established the threshold limit value at 1000 ppm (10 hour, time weighted average), the human risk to ethanol exposure in an industrial environment appear to be minimal.

**Acute Toxicity:****

| Oral Rat LD50 | 7060 MG/KG BWT |
| Inhalation Rat LC50 | 20000 ppm 10 HR |

**Carcinogenicity:**

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has determined alcoholic beverages are carcinogenic to humans and the occurrence of malignant tumors of the oral cavity, pharynx, larynx, esophagus and liver is causally related to the consumption of alcoholic beverages in humans. The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) list ethyl alcohol as an A4 - Not classifiable as a Human Carcinogen. EPA review of available literature indicates that carcinogenic effects are not expected from the industrial uses of ethanol.

**Repeated Dose Toxicity:**

Exposure of over 1000 ppm may cause headache, drowsiness and lassitude, loss of appetite, inability to concentrate and throat irritation.

**Reproductive Effects:**

Excessive consumption of alcoholic beverages during pregnancy can cause fetal alcohol syndrome. The development of physical and mental manifestation in the offspring; it may also cause defects in the central nervous system, heart, kidney and limbs. Moderate consumption can be associated with reduced birth weight and behavioral defects.

**Ethyl Acetate**

| Oral Rat LD50 | 5620 MG/KG |
| Inhalation Rat LC50 | 200 MG/L, 1 HOUR |

**Carcinogenicity:**

Not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity based on its IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or EPA classification.

**Reproductive Effects:**

Not Available

**Isopropyl Alcohol**

| Inhalation Rat LC50 | 19,000 PPM 8 HOURS |
| Oral Rat LD50 | 4700 MG/KG |
| Skin Rabbit LD50 | 12,870 MG/KG |

**Carcinogenicity:**

No

**Reproductive Effects:**

Slight effects on reproductive function have been noted in male animals after administration of large oral doses. Levels of exposure that demonstrated no effects in laboratory animals are very high when compared to human exposure under normal use in the workplace.

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Section 12: Ecological Information

This product has not been tested for ecological impact; however, the ingredients have. This material is not classified as harmful or toxic to algae or higher aquatic plants.

AQUATIC TOXICITY:

**Ethanol:** Ethanol has been shown to be practically non-toxic in tests. LC50 Rainbow Trout (Salmo gairdneri): 13,000 ppm. LC50 Fathead Minnow (Pimephales promelas): 14,200 ppm.

**Ethyl Acetate:** Ethyl acetate exhibits low acute toxicity to aquatic organisms. Fish (Salmo gairdneri) 96-hr. LC50 = 230 ppm. Fish (Pimephales promelas) 96-hr. LC50 = 230 ppm. Crustacean (Daphnia magna) 48-hr. EC50 = 717 ppm. Mollusc (Lymnea stagnalis) 48-hr. EC50 = 1100 ppm.

**Isopropyl Alcohol:** Isopropyl alcohol has been shown to be practically non-toxic in tests. LC50 Fathead Minnow (Pimephales promelas): 6,550 ppm. EC50 Daphnia: 2,280 ppm.

ENVIRONMENTAL FATE:

**Ethanol:**

*Degradation:* When spilled on land, ethyl alcohol is apt to volatilize, biodegrade, and/or leach into the groundwater. It is anticipated, based on its physical properties, that water will serve as the terminal media. Based on these factors, it is anticipated that ethyl alcohol will neither absorb to soil nor bioconcentrate in aquatic organisms. Once in water, photolysis, hydrolysis, and biodegradation is anticipated to occur.

*Bioaccumulation:* Not expected to occur.

**Ethyl Acetate:**

*Degradation:* Ethyl acetate was "readily biodegradable" when tested according to OECD Guideline 301D, Ready Biodegradability: Closed Bottle Test and had "100% degradation" when tested according to OECD Guideline 303A, "Simulation Test - Aerobic Sewage Treatment: Coupled Unit Test. Similar results were noted in numerous (at least 10) other tests for aerobic biodegradation. The BOD5/COD ratio was 0.81 when tested under aerobic conditions. A single test under anaerobic conditions indicated 100% degradation after 4 days. These data indicate that substantial biodegradation of ethyl acetate takes place rapidly under a variety of conditions.

*Bioaccumulation:* Low potential to occur.

**Isopropyl Alcohol:** Relatively biodegradable

Section 13: Disposal Considerations

WASTE DISPOSAL:

All packaging, labeling, transporting and disposal of recovered material should be performed in accordance with federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Contaminated products, soil, or water may be RCRA hazardous waste / OSHA hazardous material due to low flash point.

Section 14: Transportation Information

SPECIAL SHIPPING INFORMATION:

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<th>Proper Shipping Name</th>
<th>FLAMMABLE LIQUID N.O.S. (CONTAINS ISOPROPYL ALCOHOL AND ETHANOL)</th>
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<td>CALIFORNIA PROP. 65:</td>
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Section 16: Other Information

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