Appendix A

Proposed Standards (not regulatory requirements)

There are several proposed standards that have not been adopted and do not have associated regulatory requirements.

The compilation of standards included below is taken from Eisler (1996), of the USFWS. In presenting the compilation, Eisler notes that most measurements of silver in natural waters prior to the use of clean techniques are considered inaccurate. He also notes that most of proposed standards are formulated as total recoverable silver per liter, but total silver measurements do not provide an accurate assessment of the potential hazard because silver ion (Ag^{+}) is the most toxic of the many silver species. In fact, the US Environmental Protection Agency is considering moving to measurements of acid-soluble silver rather than total recoverable silver, to reflect that the silver ion is the potentially toxic form. Eisler notes that silver and its compounds do not pose serious health concerns to humans, but that lower concentrations may affect freshwater and marine organisms.

Resource, criterion, and other variables	Effective silver concentration
Agricultural crops	
Soils	<100 mg total silver/kg dry weight soil for most species; <10 mg/kg for sensitive species
Freshwater aquatic life protection	
Acute exposure	
Total recoverable silver	<1.32 µg/L
Acid-soluble silver[b]	4-day average shall not exceed 0.12 µg/L more than once every three years; 1-h average not to exceed 0.92 µg/L more than once every 3 years
Acute exposure	
Total recoverable silver, in µg/L, should not exceed $e^{(1.72[\ln(\text{hardness})]-6.52}$ at any time.	
Examples follow	
50 mg $CaCO_3$/L	<1.2 µg/L
100 mg $CaCO_3$/L	<4.1 µg/L
200 mg $CaCO_3$/L	<13.0 µg/L
Chronic exposure	<0.12-<0.13 µg total recoverable silver/L
Tissue residues	
Adverse effects on growth of the Asiatic clam, *Corbicula fluminea*	>1.65 mg total silver/kg soft tissues, fresh weight basis
Marine life protection	
Acute exposure	
Total recoverable silver	<2.3 µg/L at any time
Acid-soluble silver[b]	4-day average concentration not to exceed 0.92 µg/L more than once every 3 years on average and the 1-h concentration not to exceed 7.2 µg/L more than once every 3 years
Tissue residues	
Marine clams, soft parts	
Normal	<1 mg total silver/kg dry weight
Stressful or fatal	>100 mg total silver/kg dry weight
Human health	
Air, United States	
Current level of exposure, nationwide	100 µg total silver daily per person
Short-term exposure limit (15 min; up to 4 times daily with 60-min intervals at <0.01 mg Ag/m^3 air)	<0.03 mg total silver/m^3
Threshold limit value (8 h daily, 5 days weekly)	
Aerosol silver compounds	<0.01 mg total silver/m^3
Metallic silver dust	<0.1 mg total silver/m^3
Diet, United States	
Current level of exposure	35 to 40 µg daily per person
Drinking water	
United States	
Long-term exposure (>10 days)	<50 µg total silver/L
Proposed long-term exposure	<90 µg/L total silver
Short-term exposure (1-10 days)	<1,142 µg total silver/L
California	<10 µg/L
Germany	<100 µg/L
Space vehicles	
Former Soviet Union	Max. 200 µg total silver/L
United States	100 to Max. 200 µg total silver/L
Switzerland	<200 µg total silver/L
Ground water	<50 µg total silver/L

Source: Silver Hazards to Fish, Wildlife, and Invertebrates: A Synoptic Review (Eilser, 1996)

Appendix B

MSDS of Silver Iodide and Silver

Material Safety Data Sheet
Silver Iodide MSDS

Available online at: http://www.espimetals.com/msds's/silveriodide.pdf. Accessed Sept 22, 2010.

Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

Product Name: Silver iodide

CAS#: 7783-96-2

Chemical Formula: AgI

Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

Composition:

Name CAS # % by Weight

Silver iodide 7783-96-2 100

Toxicological Data on Ingredients: Silver iodide: ORAL (LD50): Acute: 2820 mg/kg [Rat].

Section 3: Hazards Identification

Potential Acute Health Effects: Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Potential Chronic Health Effects:

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available.

Repeated or prolonged exposure is not known to aggravate medical condition.

Section 4: First Aid Measures

Eye Contact: Check for and remove any contact lenses. Do not use an eye ointment. Seek medical attention.

Skin Contact:

Dispersion Properties: Not available.

Solubility: Insoluble in cold water, hot water.

After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Gently and thoroughly wash the contaminated skin with running water and non-abrasive soap. Be particularly careful to clean folds, crevices, creases and groin. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.

Serious Skin Contact:

Wash with a disinfectant soap and cover the contaminated skin with an anti-bacterial cream. Seek medical attention.

Inhalation: Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area. Seek immediate medical attention.

Serious Inhalation: Not available.

Ingestion:

Do not induce vomiting. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek immediate medical attention.

Serious Ingestion: Not available.

Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability of the Product: Non-flammable.

Auto-Ignition Temperature: Not applicable.

Flash Points: Not applicable.

Flammable Limits: Not applicable.

Products of Combustion: Not available.

Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances: Not applicable.

Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:

Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available.

Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

Fire Fighting Media and Instructions: Not applicable.

Special Remarks on Fire Hazards: Not available.

Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards: Not available.

Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

Small Spill:

Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.

Large Spill:

Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.

Section 7: Handling and Storage

Precautions:

Do not ingest. Do not breathe dust. Wear suitable protective clothing In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Avoid contact with skin and eyes

Storage:

No specific storage is required. Use shelves or cabinets sturdy enough to bear the weight of the chemicals. Be sure that it is not necessary to strain to reach materials, and that shelves are not overloaded.

Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Engineering Controls:

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

Personal Protection:

Splash goggles. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:

Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

Exposure Limits:

TWA: 0.01 (mg/m3) from ACGIH

Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state and appearance: Solid.

Odor: Not available.

Taste: Not available.

Molecular Weight: 234.79 g/mole

Color: Not available.

pH (1% soln/water): Not applicable.

Boiling Point: 1506°C (2742.8°F)

Melting Point: 552°C (1025.6°F)

Critical Temperature: Not available.

Specific Gravity: 5.675 (Water = 1)

Vapor Pressure: Not applicable.

Vapor Density: Not available.

Volatility: Not available.

Odor Threshold: Not available.

Water/Oil Dist. Coeff: Not available.

Ionicity (in Water): Not available.

Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability: The product is stable.

Instability Temperature: Not available.

Conditions of Instability: Not available.

Incompatibility with various substances: Not available.

Corrosivity: Non-corrosive in presence of glass.

Special Remarks on Reactivity: Not available.

Special Remarks on Corrosivity: Not available.

Polymerization: No.

Section 11: Toxicological Information

Routes of Entry: Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

Toxicity to Animals: Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 2820 mg/kg [Rat].

Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Other Toxic Effects on Humans: Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals: Not available.

Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Section 12: Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: Not available.

BOD5 and COD: Not available.

Products of Biodegradation:

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation: The products of degradation are more toxic.

Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation: Not available.

Section 13: Disposal Considerations

Waste Disposal:

Section 14: Transport Information

DOT Classification: Not a DOT controlled material (United States).

Identification: Not applicable.

Special Provisions for Transport: Not applicable.

Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

Federal and State Regulations:

Pennsylvania RTK: Silver iodide

Massachusetts RTK: Silver iodide

TSCA 8(b) inventory: Silver iodide

CERCLA: Hazardous substances.: Silver iodide

Other Regulations: Not available..

Other Classifications:

WHMIS (Canada): Not controlled under WHMIS (Canada).

DSCL (EEC): R36/38- Irritating to eyes and skin.

HMIS (U.S.A.):

Health Hazard: 2

Fire Hazard: 0

Reactivity: 0

Personal Protection: E

National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):

Health: 2

Flammability: 0

Reactivity: 0

Specific hazard:

Protective Equipment:

Gloves.

Lab coat.

Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent.

Splash goggles.

Section 16: Other Information

References: Not available.

Other Special Considerations: Not available.

Material Safety Data Sheet
Silver MSDS

Available online at: http://www.espimetals.com/msds's/silver.pdf. Accessed Sept 22, 2010.

Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

Product Name: Silver

Catalog Codes: SLS4222, SLS2005, SLS3427, SLS1210,

SLS2632, SLS4054, SLS1837

CAS#: 7440-22-4

RTECS: VW3500000

TSCA: TSCA 8(b) inventory: Silver

CI#: Not applicable.

Synonym:

Chemical Formula: Ag

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For non-emergency assistance, call: 1-281-441-4400

Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

Composition:

Name CAS # % by Weight

Silver 7440-22-4 100

Toxicological Data on Ingredients: Silver: ORAL (LD50): Acute: 100 mg/kg [Mouse].

Section 3: Hazards Identification

Potential Acute Health Effects:

Very hazardous in case of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation. Severe over-exposure can result in death.

Inflammation of the eye is characterized by redness, watering, and itching.

Potential Chronic Health Effects:

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available. Repeated exposure to an highly toxic material may produce general deterioration of health by an accumulation in one or many human organs.

Section 4: First Aid Measures

Eye Contact: Check for and remove any contact lenses. Do not use an eye ointment. Seek medical attention.

Skin Contact: No known effect on skin contact, rinse with water for a few minutes.

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Serious Skin Contact: Not available.

Inhalation: Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area. Seek immediate medical attention.

Serious Inhalation:

Evacuate the victim to a safe area as soon as possible. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If breathing is difficult, administer oxygen. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek medical attention.

Ingestion:

Do not induce vomiting. Examine the lips and mouth to ascertain whether the tissues are damaged, a possible indication that the toxic material was ingested; the absence of such signs, however, is not conclusive. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek immediate medical attention.

Serious Ingestion: Not available.

Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability of the Product: May be combustible at high temperature.

Auto-Ignition Temperature: Not available.

Flash Points: Not available.

Flammable Limits: Not available.

Products of Combustion: Some metallic oxides.

Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances: Not available.

Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:

Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:

SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder. LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. Do not use water jet.

Special Remarks on Fire Hazards: Not available.

Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards: Not available.

Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

Small Spill:

Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container.

Large Spill:

Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.

Section 7: Handling and Storage

Precautions:

Keep locked up Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Empty containers pose a fire risk, evaporate the residue under a fume hood. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not ingest. Do not breathe dust. Avoid contact with eyes In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label.

Storage:

Keep container dry. Keep in a cool place. Ground all equipment containing material. Keep container tightly closed. Keep in a cool, well-ventilated place. Highly toxic or infectious materials should be stored in a separate locked safety storage cabinet or room.

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Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Engineering Controls:

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

Personal Protection: Splash goggles. Lab coat.

Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:

Splash goggles. Full suit. Boots. Gloves. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

Exposure Limits:

TWA: 0.01 (mg/m3) from OSHA (PEL) TWA: 0.01 (mg/m3) from OSHA NIOSH Australia: TWA: 0.1 (mg/m3)Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state and appearance: Solid. (Solid metallic powder. Metal solid.)

Odor: Not available.

Taste: Not available.

Molecular Weight: 107.87 g/mole

Color: Not available.

pH (1% soln/water): Not applicable.

Boiling Point: 2212°C (4013.6°F)

Melting Point: 961°C (1761.8°F)

Critical Temperature: Not available.

Specific Gravity: 10.4 (Water = 1)

Vapor Pressure: Not applicable.

Vapor Density: Not available.

Volatility: Not available.

Odor Threshold: Not available.

Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.: Not available.

Ionicity (in Water): Not available.

Dispersion Properties: Is not dispersed in cold water, hot water.

Solubility: Insoluble in cold water, hot water.

Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability: The product is stable.

Instability Temperature: Not available.

Conditions of Instability: Not available.

Incompatibility with various substances: Not available.

Corrosivity: Non-corrosive in presence of glass.

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Special Remarks on Reactivity: Not available.

Special Remarks on Corrosivity: Not available.

Polymerization: No.

Section 11: Toxicological Information

Routes of Entry: Absorbed through skin. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

Toxicity to Animals: Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 100 mg/kg [Mouse].

Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Other Toxic Effects on Humans: Very hazardous in case of ingestion, of inhalation.

Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals: Not available.

Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Section 12: Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: Not available.

BOD5 and COD: Not available.

Products of Biodegradation:

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation: The products of degradation are as toxic as the original product.

Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation: Not available.

Section 13: Disposal Considerations

Waste Disposal:

Section 14: Transport Information

DOT Classification:

Identification:

Special Provisions for Transport: Not available.

Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

Federal and State Regulations:

Rhode Island RTK hazardous substances: Silver Pennsylvania RTK: Silver Minnesota: Silver Massachusetts RTK: Silver New Jersey: Silver TSCA 8(b) inventory: Silver TSCA 8(a) PAIR: Silver TSCA 8(d) H and S data reporting: Silver SARA 313 toxic chemical notification and release reporting: Silver: 1% CERCLA: Hazardous substances.: Silver: 1000 lbs. (453.6 kg)

Other Regulations:

OSHA: Hazardous by definition of Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200). EINECS: This product is on the European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances.

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Other Classifications:

WHMIS (Canada):

CLASS D-1B: Material causing immediate and serious toxic effects (TOXIC). CLASS D-2B: Material causing other toxic effects

(TOXIC).

DSCL (EEC): R41- Risk of serious damage to eyes.

HMIS (U.S.A.):

Health Hazard: 2

Fire Hazard: 1

Reactivity: 0

Personal Protection: j

National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):

Health: 2

Flammability: 1

Reactivity: 0

Specific hazard:

Protective Equipment:

Not applicable. Lab coat. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Splash goggles.

Section 16: Other Information

References: Not available.

Other Special Considerations: Not available.

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