



Chemical Reaction on a Military Base

Incident:

CHEMTREC received a call from a military base within the Middle East region. The caller stated that a CONEX ISO shipping container filled with special-use batteries had been submerged in water for five hours and he was unsure if the seal had been broken. The caller wanted to know what precautions should be taken by the military to open the container and evaluate the condition of the special-use batteries. The caller had the SDS on hand and requested to speak with the manufacturer of the battery for additional information.

CHEMTREC's Role:

CHEMTREC contacted the manufacturer's emergency contacts and informed them of the situation. CHEMTREC was able to conference in the caller and the manufacturer together to discuss the incident. The manufacturer was able to determine that the battery casings had likely been breached. The caller was instructed to wear a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) due to the gas release that has likely occurred within the ISO container. The caller said he would call back if additional assistance was needed.

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