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 USA

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| Analysis No.      | TS-S&T01485     |
| Report Date       | 23 March 2016   |
| Quarry/Fabricator | Same            |
| Date Sampled      | 08 March 2016   |
| Where Sampled     | Mankato, MN USA |
| Sample Received   | 10 March 2016   |
| Sampled By        | Client          |

This is to attest that we have examined Natural Stone identified: Superior Northern Granite

When examined to the applicable requirements of:

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| ASTM C 97-15  | “Standard Test Method for Absorption and Bulk Specific Gravity of Dimensional Stone” |
| ASTM C 99-15  | “Standard Test Method for Modulus of Rupture of Dimensional Stone”                   |
| ASTM C 170-15 | “Standard Test Method for Compressive Strength of Dimensional Stone”                 |
| ASTM C241-15  | “Standard Test Method for Abrasion Resistance of Stone Subjected to Foot Traffic”    |
| ASTM C 880-15 | “Standard Test Method for Flexural Strength of Dimension Stone”                      |

The material has the following average properties:

|                                    |     |  |
|------------------------------------|-----|--|
| Average % Absorption               |     | 0.14   |
| Average Bulk Specific Gravity      |     | 178.1 lbs/ft <sup>3</sup><br>2 855 kg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| Modulus of Rupture Perpendicular   | Dry | 2 700 psi  |
| Compressive Strength Perpendicular | Dry | 26 800 psi   |
| Abrasion Resistance                |     | 28.7 Ha  |
| Flexural Strength Perpendicular    | Dry | 2 400 psi  |

<sup>1</sup>NOTE: For Igneous Samples we run ASTM C 241 for Sedimentary and Metamorphic Samples we run ASTM C 1353

END OF ANALYSIS

The attached Report of Test is an integral portion of this Summation Certificate.

Merrill Gee P.E. – Engineer in Charge



## SAFETY DATA SHEET

# GRANITE

### 1. PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Common Name: Granite (For purposes of this SDS, the term “granite” encompasses all types of granite products manufactured/sourced by Kasota Stone Fabricators Inc)

Synonyms: Granite

Manufacturer Name: Kasota Stone Fabricators Inc

Address: Kasota Stone Fabricators Inc  
820 Willow Street  
Mankato MN 56001

Emergency Assistance: (507) 508-0684

Recommended Use: Building Material - Natural Stone products sourced by Kasota Stone Fabricators Inc are natural building materials typically used as floor/wall, landscape and countertop coverings. As defined by guidelines issued by the Environmental Protection Agency, the American Society for Testing & Materials, and the Federal Trade Commission, limestone is one of the most environmentally friendly building materials you can buy today. Should you desire additional information, please direct your inquiry to the address above.

This document has been prepared in accordance with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazard Communication standard, 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1910.1200(g), Safety Data Sheets.

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Natural Stone products are mixtures of Quartz, Feldspar, and other natural occurring minerals that have been mined. The finished, Natural Stone products are odorless, stable, non-flammable, and pose no immediate hazard to health. Respiratory, hand and eye protection may be needed to prevent excess exposure to airborne particulates if dust is produced by cutting product during installation or if dust is produced by any other operations, including demolition/removal projects.

Emergency Overview: Danger! Lung injury and Cancer Hazard

GHS Classification (Global Harmonized Standard Classification):

Carcinogenicity Category 1A (H350)

Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure; Respiratory tract irritation - Category 3 (H335)

Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure - Category 1A (H372)

GHS Label, Hazards and Precautionary Statements

GHS Pictogram:

Crystalline Silica:  Category 3 (Respiratory tract irritation) (H335)



Categories 1A(Carcinogenicity)(H372)

Label Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statements:

(H350) May cause CANCER (inhalation)

(H335) May cause respiratory irritation

(H372) Causes damage to organs (lung/respiratory) through prolonged or repeated exposure (inhalation)

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION (CONT)

### Precautionary Statements:

- Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. (P202)
- Do not breathe dust/spray. (P260 + P261)
- Wash skin thoroughly after handling. (P264)
- Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. (P270)
- Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection, face protection. (P280)

### Potential Health Effects:

Inhalation: Do not breathe dust. See "Health Hazards" in Section 11 for more details.

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Natural Stone products are composed of Quartz, Feldspar and other naturally-occurring minerals, that have been mined.

Natural Stone Products are mined and fabricated into various shapes, sizes, and colors.

These products do not contain asbestos.

Under normal conditions these products do not release hazardous materials after installation and are not considered hazardous waste should disposal be necessary.

| Composition                  | CAS# /<br>EINECS#                    | Estimated % by Wt. | EU Class                                |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Limestone                    | CAS: 1317-65-3<br>EINECS: 207-439-9  | 0-100              | (67/548/EEC)<br>Xi R36/37/38            |
| Crystalline silica as quartz | CAS: 14808-60-7<br>EINECS: 238-878-4 | 0-72               | (67/548/EEC)<br>Xn R48/20               |
| Feldspar                     | CAS: 68476-25-5<br>EINECS: 270-666-7 | 0-15               | (67/548/EEC)<br>Non Haz. (by Directive) |
| Biotite                      | CAS: 12001-26-2<br>EINECS: 215-479-3 | 0-5                | (67/548/EEC)<br>Xi R36/37/38            |
| Iron Oxide                   | CAS: 1345-25-1<br>EINECS: 215-721-8  | 0-2                | (67/548/EEC)<br>Xi R36/37/38            |

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

- Eyes: Immediately flush eyes with large amounts of water for at least 15 minutes if dust gets in eyes. Get medical attention if irritation persists.
- Skin: Wash thoroughly after working with Natural Stone products.
- Inhalation: Remove to fresh air if exposed to large amounts of dust. Administer artificial respiration if breathing has stopped. Keep victim at rest. Call for prompt medical attention.
- Ingestion: Not applicable for intact natural stone products.

Have emergency eyewash station available in area where products are cut.

## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES AND INFORMATION

- Flash Point (Method Used): Not applicable
- Autoignition Temperature: Not applicable
- Flammable Limits (% by Volume in Air): LEL - not applicable  
UEL - not applicable
- Fire Extinguishing Media: None required Non-flammable
- Special Fire Fighting Procedures: None required
- Fire and Explosion Hazards: None

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Avoid creating excessive dust. Clean up dust with a vacuum system with a High-efficiency particulate (HEPA) air filter vacuum or damp sweeping. See Section 8 of this SDS concerning PPE information for clean-up.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

When cutting, grinding or removing, use equipment with integral dust collection and/or use local exhaust ventilation. Use wet cutting methods to reduce generation of dust. Use respiratory protection in the absence of effective engineering controls.

Do not store near acids. If natural stone products contact some acids, damage/discoloration to the surface may occur.

Shelf life is unlimited.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 Exposure Table

| Composition  | OSHA<br>PEL                       | NIOSH<br>IDLH | ACGIH<br>TLV* | Units             |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Crystalline silica as quartz<br>-respirable fraction | <u>10</u><br>%SiO <sub>2</sub> +2 | 0.05          | 0.025         | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| -total dust  | <u>30</u><br>%SiO <sub>2</sub> +2 | N.E.          | N.E.          | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| Limestone  |                                   |               |               |                   |
| -respirable fraction                                 | 5                                 | 5             | 5             | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| -total dust**  | 15                                | 10            | 10            | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| Feldspar   |                                   |               |               |                   |
| -respirable fraction                                 | N.E.                              | N.E.          | N.E.          | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| -total dust**  | 15                                | N.E.          | N.E.          | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| Biotite  |                                   |               |               |                   |
| -respirable fraction**                               | 5                                 | 15            | 3             | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| -total dust**  | 15                                | N.E.          | N.E.          | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| Iron Oxide   |                                   |               |               |                   |
| -respirable fraction                                 | 10                                | 5             | 5             | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |

\* 2006 Edition, respirable fraction to be determined as per Appendix D of ACGIH TLV.

\*\* Covered as particles not otherwise regulated per OSHA and particles not otherwise classified per ACGIH.

N.E. - Not established

### 8.2 EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Ventilation:** Use adequate ventilation to keep exposure to dust below recommended exposure levels. Avoid inhalation of dust. The highest probability of silica exposure occurs during installation using dry cutting methods or during removal of installed natural stone tile. Wet cutting methods are recommended.

**Respiratory Protection:** Use of a properly fitted NIOSH/MSHA approved particulate respirator is recommended when cutting natural stone products for installation or during the removal of installed product.

**Eye Protection:** Use dust-proof goggles or safety glasses with side shields. Contact lenses may absorb irritants. Do not wear contact lenses in work areas.

**Skin Protection:** Cotton or leather work gloves should be worn when cutting this product to minimize skin exposure to dust and/or cuts. Wash hands prior to eating, drinking, or smoking, and at the end of the work shift, after cutting operations are conducted.

NOTE: Personal protection information in Section 8 is based on general information for normal uses and conditions. Where special or unusual uses or conditions exist, it is suggested that the assistance of an industrial hygienist or other qualified professional be obtained.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

|  |                               |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Appearance:                              | Brittle solid; color may vary |
| Odor:                                    | Odorless                      |
| Melting Point:                           | Not Available (>1000 °F)      |
| Boiling Point:                           | Not applicable                |
| Vapor Pressure:                          | Not applicable                |
| Vapor Density (Air = 1):                 | Not applicable                |
| Solubility in Water:                     | Insoluble                     |
| Specific Gravity (H <sub>2</sub> O = 1): | 1.6 to 2.6                    |
| Percent Volatile by Volume:              | Not applicable                |
| Evaporation Rate (Ethyl Ether = 1):      | Not applicable                |
| Viscosity:                               | Not applicable                |

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

|                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Stability:                            | Stable in current form.   |
| Conditions to Avoid:                  | Avoid contact with acids (e.g., Hydrochloric, acetic, hydrofluoric, etc.) |
| Incompatibility (Materials to Avoid): | Avoid contact with acids (e.g., Hydrochloric, acetic, hydrofluoric, etc.) |
| Hazardous Polymerization:             | Will not occur.   |
| Hazardous Decomposition Products:     | None.   |

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Potential Health Effects

#### Primary Routes of Exposure

None for intact natural stone products. Inhalation and potential exposure to eyes, hands, or other body parts if contact is made with broken tile, and/or during procedures involving the cutting of products, and/or for operations involving the removal of installed products.

#### Acute Effects

No acute effects from exposure to intact natural stone products are known. Working with broken or cut natural stone produces a potential for cuts to the hands and exposed body parts. Acute effects such as eye irritation may occur if associated with high dust operations such as dry cutting or during the removal of installed product. In very rare cases, symptoms of acute silicosis, a form of silicosis (a nodular pulmonary fibrosis) associated with exposure to respirable crystalline silica, may develop following acute exposure to extremely dusty environments caused by generation of tile dust. Signs such as labored breathing and early fatigue may indicate silicosis; however, these same symptoms can arise from many other causes.

#### Chronic Effects

No chronic effects are known for exposure to intact natural stone products. Long-term, continual exposure to respirable crystalline silica at or above established permissible occupational exposure limits may lead to the development of silicosis, a nodular pulmonary fibrosis (NPF). NPFs are also associated with pulmonary tuberculosis, bronchitis, emphysema, and other airway diseases. This type of chronic exposure to silica dust may also result in the development of autoimmune disorders, chronic renal disease, and other adverse health effects. Recent epidemiologic studies demonstrate that workers exposed to elevated silica concentrations have a significant risk of developing chronic silicosis. Signs such as labored breathing and early fatigue may indicate silicosis; however, these same symptoms can also arise from many other causes.

#### Potential Adverse Interactions

Silicosis may be complicated by severe mycobacterial or fungal infections and result in tuberculosis (TB). Epidemiologic studies have established that silicosis is a risk factor for developing TB. Any existing respiratory or pulmonary diseases may be complicated by exposure to respirable crystalline silica. Smoking may increase the risk of adverse effects if done in conjunction with occupational exposure to silica dust at or above permissible exposure limits.

#### Carcinogen Status

Respirable crystalline silica is classified by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) as a Group I Carcinogen (carcinogenic to humans). The National Toxicology Program (9th Report) lists respirable crystalline silica as "Known to be a Human Carcinogen". USDOL/OSHA and NIOSH have recommended that crystalline silica be considered a potential occupational carcinogen.

#### Overview of Animal Testing

Short term experimental studies of rats have found that intratracheal instillation of quartz particles leads to the formation of discrete silicotic nodules in rats, mice and hamsters.

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION (CONT.)****Oral (silica) Lethality**

LD50 Rat oral >22,500 mg/kg  
 LD50 Mouse oral >15,000 mg/kg  
 LC50 Carp >10,000 mg/l (per 72 hr.)

**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

No information available at this time.

**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste should be disposed of in a landfill certified to accept such materials in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations.

**14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

D.O.T Shipping Name: Not applicable  
 Hazard Class: Non-regulated (for disposal purposes material is non-hazardous Class III regulated material)  
 ID Number: Not applicable  
 Marking: Not applicable  
 Label: None  
 Placard: None  
 Hazardous Substance/RQ: Not applicable  
 Shipping Description: Natural Stone/Granite products  
 Packaging References: None

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

This product and/or its components have been previously introduced into U.S. commerce and is listed in the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory of Chemicals in Commerce. Hence, it is subject to all applicable provisions and restrictions under TSCA 40 CFR Section 721 and 723.250.

This natural stone tile contains <1 percent by weight each of the following elements, which are SARA 313 Recordable: Antimony, Arsenic, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Cobalt, Chromium, Copper, Manganese, Mercury, Nickel, Lead, Silver, Thallium, Tin, Titanium, Vanadium, and Zinc.

Title 22 Division 2, California Code of Regulation Chapter 3 (Proposition 65): This product contains a chemical or chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects or other reproductive harm.

This product or its components meets the following hazard definition(s) as defined by the Occupational Safety and Health Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR Section 1910.1200):

|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Combustible Liquid | <input type="checkbox"/> Flammable Aerosol                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidizer       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compressed Gas     | <input type="checkbox"/> Explosive                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Pyrophoric     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flammable Gas      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health Hazard (Sections 3 & 11) | <input type="checkbox"/> Unstable       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flammable Liquid   | <input type="checkbox"/> Organic Peroxide                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Reactive |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flammable Solid    |   |   |

Based on information presently available, this product does not meet any of the hazard definitions of 29 CFR Section 1910.1200.

Note: The information in this data sheet provides information related to the potential hazards associated with dusts which may be produced during cutting or otherwise changing the shape of the product during installation and/or removal.

**16. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

## Global Harmonization Identification System

GHIS: Health: 3 Fire: 4 Reactivity: 4

## Hazardous Material Identification System

HMIS: Health: 0 Fire: 0 Reactivity: 0

## National Fire Protection Association

NFPA: Health: 0 Fire: 0 Reactivity: 0

**1. PRODUCT NAME**

Superior Northern Granite

**2. MANUFACTURER**

Kasota Stone Fabricators  
 820 Willow Street  
 Mankato MN 56001  
 Phone 507-508-0684

**3. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

Uses: Superior Northern Granite is used for fabricating granite countertops, flooring, building stone, memorials, and landscaping features. Granite is suited for extreme conditions, as it resists wear and deterioration, while maintaining its natural beauty and finish indefinitely.

Appearance. Superior Northern is known geologically as gabbroic anorthosite. It is dark gray, medium- to coarse-grained. Magma movement caused lamination, an alignment of plagioclase crystals that can give the appearance of layering when the rock is viewed from a certain angle. When polished, the crystals give a translucent gray appearance. The dark colors come from mafic (magnesium- and iron-bearing) minerals called clinopyroxene.

Mineral Content: Superior Northern’s mineralogy is dominated by albite feldspar (~71%), coupled with significant amounts of augite (~19%), magnetite (~6%), forsterite (~2%), and minor amounts of biotite mica, and chlorite.

Weight: Granite weighs approximately 178 pounds per cubic foot. Per square foot, weight translates as:

- 7/8" Thickness =13 LBS/FT<sup>2</sup>
- 1 1/4" Thickness =19 LBS/FT<sup>2</sup>
- 2" Thickness =30 LBS/FT<sup>2</sup>

Surface Finishes: Polished, honed & thermal.

Technical Information:

|             |                  |                           |
|-------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| ASTM C 97:  | Density.....     | 178.1 LBS/FT <sup>3</sup> |
|             | Absorption ..... | 0.14 %                    |
| ASTM C 170: | Compressive      |                           |
|             | Strength.....    | 26,800 PSI                |
| ASTM C 99:  | Modulus of       |                           |
|             | Rupture.....     | 2,700 PSI                 |
| ASTM C 241: | Abrasion         |                           |
|             | Resistance.....  | 28.7 LW                   |
| ASTM C 880: | Flexural         |                           |
|             | Strength.....    | 2,400 PSI                 |

File ASTM test results available.

**4. INSTALLATION**

Varying installation methods depending on use.

**5. MAINTENANCE**

Granite is easy to care for, clean with mild soap and water. For stain prevention and removal, contact a stone care company. Information about such companies is available through Kasota Stone Fabricators.

**6. TECHNICAL SERVICES**

Kasota Stone Fabricators can address most specification, installation, and application questions. For further technical information, call 507-508-0684.