# **SUPER MUD**



## POLYMER SLURRY

## WELL DRILLING APPLICATIONS

#### DESCRIPTION

**Super Mud** is a liquid polymer slurry which is primarily used as a viscosifying agent and as a soil stabilizer to prevent sloughing and/or collapse of a borehole. **Super Mud** is far easier to use that any bentonite.

#### 5 Gallons of Super Mud is Equivalent to 1 Ton of Conventional Bentonite

#### **ADVANTAGES**

- 1. Mixes easily in both fresh and saltwater.
- 2. Allows for faster drilling.
- 3. Non-fermenting and nontoxic.
- 4. Reduces wear on pump and bits; unlike bentonite, **Super Mud** slurry will always weigh approximately the same as water, therefore, requiring lower pump rate.
- 5. Eliminating swelling in most clays and shales.
- 6. Rapidly settles cuttings in bottom of pit.
- 7. Reduces fluid loss.
- 8. Can be readily broken down for easy disposal.

#### **MIXING PROCEDURE**

- 1. Pretreat makeup water with *Water Treat*, a pH conditioner, to pH of 8-10. Normally, 1 lb to 200 gallons of makeup water is sufficient for freshwater. For brackish makeup water, the ratio is 1 lb to 100 gallons.
- Mixing Ratio
  800 (Fresh water) : 1 (Super Mud) 600 (Brackish water) : 1 (Super Mud)
   These ratios yields Marsh Funnel Viscosity of 40 plus.

This mixing ratio is sufficient for most drilling situations. Clay or rock formations require a lower mixing ratio.

- 3. Monitor the pH of the slurry, as it will change with the chemical structure of the formation. Add a cup or two of *Water Treat* into the flowing ditch to revitalize the slurry when pH drops or if salt or brackish water is encountered.
- 4. Super Mud slurry can be pumped into a storage tank for reuse or for breaking down with household bleach (5% Sodium Hypochlorite solution) or 3% Hydrogen Peroxide. The breaker should be added to the Super Mud slurry at a rate of 1 part to 800 parts of slurry. After the breaker is added, the entire system should be circulated to insure complete oxidation of all polymer molecules.

### PACKAGING

Available in 5 gallon (19 liter) pails and  $\frac{1}{2}$  gallon (2 liter) jugs of six to a case.



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