

#### **DESCRIPTION**

PREMIUM GEL is a 200 mesh, 90 bbl yield sodium bentonite for freshwater drilling. Complies with API 13A Section 9 from the 16<sup>th</sup> edition of the Specifications for Drilling Fluid Materials, February 2004.

#### **RECOMMENDED USE**

May be used for all types of freshwater mud rotary drilling where higher solids are desired.

# **CHARACTERISTICS**

- Cools and lubricates bit
- Mixes quickly and easily
- Reduces fluid loss into the formation
- Removes cuttings
- Stabilizes borehole

# **MIXING AND APPLICATIONS**

Mixing ratios are based on the use of freshwater; water purity will affect bentonite performance. For best results, acidic and hard make-up water should be pretreated with soda ash to a pH of 8.5-9.5. Add PREMIUM GEL slowly through jet/hopper mixer.

PREMIUM GEL mixing ratio in pounds per 100 gallons of water:

Normal Conditions 30 to 50 lbs Sand and Gravel 50 to 70 lbs Fluid Loss Control 70 to 80 lbs

#### **BULK DENSITY**

54 lbs/ft<sup>3</sup>

# **PACKAGING**

50 lb bag, 48 bags per pallet or 100 lb bag, 28 per pallet. All pallets are plastic-wrapped.

