# PRODUCT DATA SHEET Indium9.15 Low Alpha High-Lead (Pb) Die-Attach Solder Paste

#### Introduction

**Indium9.15 Low Alpha** is a dispensing solder paste designed and formulated specifically for die-attach processes.

Considerable care has been taken to produce a product that gives reliable dispensing of a consistent size deposit in automated dispensing equipment.

When used with high-temperature alloys, **Indium9.15 Low Alpha** is designed for reflow in a forming gas or nitrogen atmosphere around 1,000ppm  $O_2$ . This product has superior wetting capabilities and offers low-voiding with minimal attention to profiling.

#### **Features**

- Ultra-low voiding with minimal profiling
- Bubble-free (airless)
- Reliable clog-free dispensing
- Consistent dispensing deposit size
- Superior wetting
- Excellent cleanability
- Paste alpha emissivity <0.01 counts/hour/cm<sup>2</sup>

#### Alloys

Indium Corporation manufactures low-oxide spherical powder in a standard Type 3 mesh size. Other mesh sizes are available upon request. The weight ratio of the solder powder to the solder paste is referred to as the metal load and is typically 84–88% for high-lead (Pb) alloy compositions with this flux.

#### **Bellcore and J-STD Tests and Results**

Test	Result	Test	Result	
J-STD-004 (IPC-TM-650)		J-STD-005 (IPC-TM-650)		
Flux Type Classification	ROL1	Typical Solder Paste Viscosity		
Flux Induced Corrosion (Copper Mirror)	Pass	Indalloy®151—Type 3 Brookfield (TF 5rpm) TF Spindle		
Presence of Halide: Silver Chromate	Pass	88% Metal Load 86% Metal Load	450kcps 360kcps	
Fluoride Spot Test Cl Equivalent	Pass <0.03% of paste	Solder Ball Test	Pass	
Post Reflow Flux Residue	46%	Wetting Test	Pass	
(ICA Test)		All information is for reference only. Not to be used as incoming product specifications.		
Corrosion	Pass			
SIR	Pass			
Typical Acid Value	84			



#### Packaging

Standard packaging for dispensing applications includes 25g fill 10cc and 100g fill 30cc airless syringes. Other packaging options may be available upon request.

#### **Standard Product Specifications**

Alloy	Metal Content	Particle Size	Recommended Needle Size	
5Sn/92.5Pb/2.5Ag	84-88%	25–45 microns (Type 3)	20 gauge*	
5Sn/95Pb	04-0070		20 gauge	

\*20 gauge needle— 0.58mm or 0.023 inch

#### **Technical Support**

Indium Corporation's internationally experienced engineers provide in-depth technical assistance to our customers. Thoroughly knowledgeable in all facets of Material Science as it applies to the electronics and semiconductor sectors, Technical Support Engineers provide expert advice in solder preforms, wire, ribbon, and paste. Indium Corporation's Technical Support Engineers provide rapid response to all technical inquiries.



## From One Engineer To Another

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#### **Storage and Handling Procedures**

Refrigerated storage will prolong the shelf life of solder paste. The shelf life of **Indium9.15 Low Alpha** can be found on the product label or on the Certificate of Analysis. When storing solder paste contained in syringes and cartridges, they should be stored tip down. Solder paste should be allowed to reach ambient working temperature prior to use. No heating should be employed. Generally, paste should be removed from refrigeration at least 4 hours before use. Actual time to reach thermal equilibrium will vary with container size. Paste temperature should be verified before use. Cartridges or syringes should be labeled with date and time of opening.

### Dispensing

Indium9.15 Low Alpha is formulated to be applied using automated high-speed, high-reliability, single point or multipoint dispensing equipment, but will also function in hand held applications. Highly accurate volumes can be dispensed using either pneumatic or positive displacement devices. Optimal dispensing performance is dependent on storage conditions, equipment type, and setup.

### Atmosphere

**Indium9.15 Low Alpha** is designed for use in a forming gas or nitrogen (around 1,000ppm oxygen or less) atmosphere.

#### **Cleaning or Residue Removal**

The post reflow residue of **Indium9.15 Low Alpha** can be removed with commercially available solvents. The vehicle is capable of high-temperature reflow without charring but in case of overheating, any charred residue can be removed with the aid of ultrasonic or mechanical agitation.

#### Quality

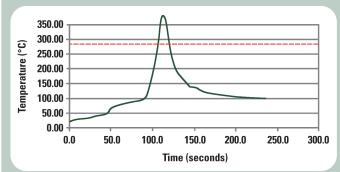
Indium Corporation is dedicated to producing the highest quality die-attach solder paste. **Indium9.15 Low Alpha** is packaged by highly-trained operators under controlled conditions in specially designed equipment to minimize air bubbles in every syringe and cartridge. Rheology and reflow characteristics as well as metal content and identity are carefully confirmed for each lot. Evaluations are also performed on each lot to verify dispensing performance.

## Safety Data Sheets

Please refer to the SDS document within the product shipment, or contact our local team to receive a copy.

### Reflow

#### **Recommended Profile:**



The typical profile above is designed for use with high-Pb (lead content 80% or greater) alloys in a forming gas or nitrogen atmosphere. This profile can serve as a general guideline for establishing a profile for your process and should be regarded as a typical example. Adjustments to this profile may be necessary based on assembly size, thermal density, and other factors. Use of other alloys with lower or higher liquidus temperatures will also require changes.

#### Heating and Liquidus Stage:

Establish a profile which provides a rapid heating of the assembly to the solder's liquidus temperature. To achieve acceptable wetting, and to minimize voiding and intermetallics formation, the profile must include a period of 15–30 seconds above the alloy's liquidus, and a peak temperature of 20–40°C above liquidus. However, excessive time above liquidus (and/ or excessively high temperatures above liquidus) can produce negative consequences including: charred residue, increased difficulty in cleaning, excessive intermetallics formation, voiding, and more.

#### **Cooling Stage:**

Cooling after reflow should be as fast as practical. This is desired to form a fine-grained metallic structure. Slow cooling will result in a coarse, large-grain structure that will exhibit poor thermal cycling and fatigue resistance.

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All of Indium Corporation's solder paste and preform manufacturing facilities are IATF 16949:2016 certified. Indium Corporation is an ISO 9001:2015 registered company.

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