

WASTE STREAM	2D02/C	Vitrified High Level Waste - Magnox
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SITE	Sellafield		
SITE OWNER	Nuclear Decommissioning Authority		
WASTE CUSTODIAN	Sellafield Limited		
WASTE TYPE	HLW		
WASTE VOLUMES			
		Conditioned	Packaged
Stocks:	At 1.4.2019.....	456.0 m³	595.8 m³
Total future arisings:		0 m³	0 m³
Total waste volume:		456.0 m³	595.8 m³
Number of waste packages in stock:	At 1.4.2019.....	3040 package(s)	
Comment on volumes:	Current plan is to only create blend containers from now on. Conditioned waste volumes are based on an average container capacity of 0.15m³.		
Uncertainty factors on volumes:	Stock (upper):	x 1.1	Arisings (upper) x
	Stock (lower):	x 0.9	Arisings (lower) x
WASTE SOURCE	Reprocessing of spent fuel gives rise to acidic aqueous raffinate which is concentrated, then vitrified by thermally denitrating and mixing with glass formers.		

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

General description:	Vitrified waste is the oxide form of the fission products from spent fuel incorporated in a borosilicate lithia glass matrix. The glass blocks are cast in stainless steel product containers. Each container holds approximately 400 kg of glass. No large items are present, individual containers are approximately 430 mm diameter and 1,340 mm high. Due to process improvements the waste loading has increased from an initial typical waste oxide incorporation rate of 25% with 98% Magnox HLW containers have a waste oxide incorporation rate of up to 30% and 2% of containers having a waste oxide incorporation rate of 30-34%.
Physical components (%vol):	Glass blocks in stainless steel containers (100%).
Sealed sources:	The waste does not contain sealed sources.
Bulk density (t/m ³):	2.65
Comment on density:	-

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

General description and components (%wt):	SiO ₂ (47.2%), Na ₂ O (8.6%), B ₂ O ₃ (17.3%), Li ₂ O (2.0%), waste oxides (25%).
Chemical state:	Neutral
Chemical form of radionuclides:	H-3: Not present C-14: Not present Cl-36: Present as oxide in trace quantities Se-79: Present as oxide Tc-99: Present as oxide I-129: Present as oxide Ra: Likely to be present as oxide. Th: Likely to be present as oxide U: Present as oxide. Np: Present as oxide Pu: Present as oxide.
Metals and alloys (%wt):	-

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	Stainless steel.....	0
	Other ferrous metals.....	0
	Iron.....	0
	Aluminium.....	
	Beryllium.....	0
	Cobalt.....	0
	Copper.....	
	Lead.....	0
	Magnox/Magnesium.....	0
	Nickel.....	
	Titanium.....	
	Uranium.....	0
	Zinc.....	0
	Zircaloy/Zirconium.....	0
	Other metals.....	0
Organics (%wt):	No organic materials are present.	
	Total cellulose.....	0
	Paper, cotton.....	0
	Wood.....	0
	Halogenated plastics	0
	Total non-halogenated plastics.....	0
	Condensation polymers.....	0
	Others.....	0
	Organic ion exchange materials....	0
	Total rubber.....	0
	Halogenated rubber	0
	Non-halogenated rubber.....	0
	Hydrocarbons.....	0
	Oil or grease	0
	Fuel.....	0
	Asphalt/Tarmac (cont.coal tar)...	0
	Asphalt/Tarmac (no coal tar)....	0
	Bitumen.....	0
	Others.....	0
	Other organics.....	0
Other materials (%wt):	-	
	Inorganic ion exchange materials.	0
	Inorganic sludges and flocs.....	0
	Soil.....	0
	Brick/Stone/Rubble.....	0
	Cementitious material.....	0
	Sand.....	
	Glass/Ceramics.....	100.0

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	Graphite.....	0
	Desiccants/Catalysts.....	
	Asbestos.....	0
	Non/low friable.....	0
	Moderately friable.....	0
	Highly friable.....	0
	Free aqueous liquids.....	0
	Free non-aqueous liquids.....	0
	Powder/Ash.....	0
Inorganic anions (%wt):	Oxides are present.	
	Fluoride.....	0
	Chloride.....	0
	Iodide.....	0
	Cyanide.....	0
	Carbonate.....	0
	Nitrate.....	0
	Nitrite.....	0
	Phosphate.....	0
	Sulphate.....	0
	Sulphide.....	0
Materials of interest for waste acceptance criteria:	There are no hazardous materials in the waste.	
	Combustible metals.....	0
	Low flash point liquids.....	0
	Explosive materials.....	0
	Phosphorus.....	0
	Hydrides.....	0
	Biological etc. materials.....	0
	Biodegradable materials.....	0
	Putrescible wastes.....	0
	Non-putrescible wastes.....	
	Corrosive materials.....	0
	Pyrophoric materials.....	0
	Generating toxic gases.....	0
	Reacting with water.....	0
	Active particles.....	
	Soluble solids as bulk chemical compounds.....	
Hazardous substances / non hazardous pollutants:	-	
	Acrylamide.....	
	Benzene.....	
	Chlorinated solvents.....	

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Formaldehyde.....
 Organometallics.....
 Phenol.....
 Styrene.....
 Tri-butyl phosphate.....
 Other organophosphates.....
 Vinyl chloride.....
 Arsenic.....
 Barium.....
 Boron.....
 Cadmium.....
 Caesium.....
 Selenium.....
 Chromium.....
 Molybdenum.....
 Thallium.....
 Tin.....
 Vanadium.....
 Mercury compounds.....
 Others.....
 Electronic Electrical Equipment (EEE)
 EEE Type 1..... 0
 EEE Type 2..... 0
 EEE Type 3..... 0
 EEE Type 4..... 0
 EEE Type 5..... 0
 Complexing agents (%wt): No
 EDTA..... 0
 DPTA..... 0
 NTA..... 0
 Polycarboxylic acids.....
 Other organic complexants.....
 Total complexing agents.....

PACKAGING AND CONDITIONING

Container type:

Container	Waste packaged (%vol)	Waste loading (m³)	Payload (m³)	Number of packages
HLW canister	100.0	0.15	0.15	3040

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Container type comment:	-
Range in container waste volume:	-
Other information on containers:	Stainless steel grade 309.
Conditioned density (t/m ³):	2.65
Conditioned density comment:	-
Other information on conditioning:	This waste is already conditioned.

RADIOACTIVITY

Source:	The main sources of activity in the waste are mixed fission products and actinides resulting from the reprocessing of irradiated Magnox fuel.
Uncertainty:	-
Definition of total alpha and total beta/gamma:	The total alpha and total beta/gamma activities are the sums of the reported nuclide activities only.
Measurement of radioactivities:	The specific activity has been derived from plant records and predictions of feedstocks to the conditioning plant and a target waste incorporation of 25-35% in the conditioning matrix.
Other information:	Short-lived daughters are not included. Other radionuclides not listed represent less than 0.01% of the total activity.

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Nuclide	Mean radioactivity, TBq/m ³				Nuclide	Mean radioactivity, TBq/m ³			
	Waste at 1.4.2019	Bands and Code	Future arisings	Bands and Code		Waste at 1.4.2019	Bands and Code	Future arisings	Bands and Code
H 3		8			Gd 153	4.89E-08	AA 2		
Be 10	5.97E-05	AA 2			Ho 163	1.45E-08	AA 2		
C 14		8			Ho 166m	1.02E-04	AA 2		
Na 22					Tm 170	4.36E-16	AA 2		
Al 26					Tm 171	1.07E-04	AA 2		
Cl 36	9.78E-05	CC 2			Lu 174		8		
Ar 39		8			Lu 176		8		
Ar 42		8			Hf 178n		8		
K 40	9.34E-19	5			Hf 182	3.47E-13	AA 2		
Ca 41	1.46E-05	AA 2			Pt 193		8		
Mn 53	2.10E-10	AA 2			Tl 204		8		
Mn 54	1.08E-05	AA 2			Pb 205	2.92E-11	AA 2		
Fe 55	8.62E-01	AA 2			Pb 210	1.59E-07	AA 2		
Co 60	8.79E+00	AA 2			Bi 208		8		
Ni 59	2.58E-03	AA 2			Bi 210m	1.05E-15	AA 2		
Ni 63	2.83E-01	AA 2			Po 210	1.53E-07	AA 2		
Zn 65	2.39E-09	AA 2			Ra 223	3.37E-06	AA 2		
Se 79	1.69E-02	AA 2			Ra 225	6.58E-09	AA 2		
Kr 81		8			Ra 226	4.77E-07	AA 2		
Kr 85		8			Ra 228	1.80E-11	AA 2		
Rb 87	6.32E-06	AA 2			Ac 227	3.38E-06	AA 2		
Sr 90	1.23E+04	AA 2			Th 227	3.32E-06	AA 2		
Zr 93	5.41E-01	AA 2			Th 228	4.35E-06	AA 2		
Nb 91	7.41E-15	AA 2			Th 229	6.59E-09	AA 2		
Nb 92	1.68E-12	AA 2			Th 230	4.23E-05	AA 2		
Nb 93m	3.65E-01	AA 2			Th 232	1.94E-11	AA 2		
Nb 94	3.67E-05	AA 2			Th 234	2.83E-05	AA 2		
Mo 93	1.52E-05	AA 2			Pa 231	6.07E-06	AA 2		
Tc 97	1.47E-11	AA 2			Pa 233	8.47E-03	AA 2		
Tc 99	1.38E+00	AA 2			U 232	1.00E-07	AA 2		
Ru 106	8.50E-01	AA 2			U 233	7.28E-07	AA 2		
Pd 107	2.58E-02	AA 2			U 234	5.10E-05	AA 2		
Ag 108m	3.71E-06	AA 2			U 235	7.63E-07	AA 2		
Ag 110m	1.20E-05	AA 2			U 236	3.04E-06	AA 2		
Cd 109	2.54E-08	AA 2			U 238	2.83E-05	AA 2		
Cd 113m	1.82E+00	AA 2			Np 237	8.48E-03	AA 2		
Sn 119m	3.08E-06	AA 2			Pu 236	6.68E-08	AA 2		
Sn 121m	5.19E+00	AA 2			Pu 238	4.38E-01	AA 2		
Sn 123	4.81E-11	AA 2			Pu 239	9.80E-02	AA 2		
Sn 126	8.64E-02	AA 2			Pu 240	1.35E-01	AA 2		
Sb 125	2.01E+01	AA 2			Pu 241	3.47E+00	AA 2		
Sb 126	2.78E-02	AA 2			Pu 242	1.18E-04	AA 2		
Te 125m	4.92E+00	AA 2			Am 241	1.54E+02	AA 2		
Te 127m	1.91E-12	AA 2			Am 242m	8.64E-01	AA 2		
I 129	8.90E-05	AA 2			Am 243	3.74E-01	AA 2		
Cs 134	1.52E+01	AA 2			Cm 242	7.14E-01	AA 2		
Cs 135	2.06E-01	AA 2			Cm 243	2.64E-01	AA 2		
Cs 137	1.68E+04	AA 2			Cm 244	1.12E+01	AA 2		
Ba 133	4.23E-07	AA 2			Cm 245	2.38E-03	AA 2		
La 137	8.24E-07	AA 2			Cm 246	5.05E-04	AA 2		
La 138	2.36E-11	AA 2			Cm 248	4.34E-09	AA 2		
Ce 144	1.12E-01	AA 2			Cf 249	3.51E-08	AA 2		
Pm 145	1.80E-06	AA 2			Cf 250	7.90E-08	AA 2		
Pm 147	3.83E+02	AA 2			Cf 251	1.62E-09	AA 2		
Sm 147	2.76E-06	AA 2			Cf 252	1.09E-09	AA 2		
Sm 151	1.22E+02	AA 2			Other a		5		
Eu 152	9.58E-01	AA 2			Other b/g		5		
Eu 154	1.01E+02	AA 2			Total a	1.67E+02	AA 2	0	
Eu 155	2.63E+01	AA 2			Total b/g	2.98E+04	AA 2	0	

Bands (Upper and Lower)

A a factor of 1.5

B a factor of 3

C a factor of 10

D a factor of 100

E a factor of 1000

Note: Bands quantify uncertainty in mean radioactivity.

Code

1 Measured activity

2 Derived activity (best estimate)

3 Derived activity (upper limit)

4 Not present

5 Present but not significant

6 Likely to be present but not assessed

7 Present in significant quantities but not determined

8 Not expected to be present in significant quantity