

WASTE STREAM	3L19	Catalyst
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SITE Heysham 1

SITE OWNER EDFE NGL

WASTE CUSTODIAN EDFE NGL

WASTE TYPE ILW

WASTE VOLUMES

		Reported
Stocks:	At 1.4.2019.....	5.0 m ³
Future arisings -	1.4.2019 - 31.3.2022.....	0 m ³
	1.4.2022 - 31.3.2024.....	0 m ³
	1.4.2024 - 31.3.2025.....	1.6 m ³
Total future arisings:		1.6 m ³
Total waste volume:		6.6 m ³

Comment on volumes: Waste volumes will be variable depending on station operating conditions.

Uncertainty factors on volumes: Stock (upper): x 1.5 Arisings (upper) x 1.75
Stock (lower): x 0.5 Arisings (lower) x 0.25

WASTE SOURCE Exhausted catalysts that have been used for the recombination of carbon dioxide reactor coolant.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

General description: Catalyst materials. There are no large items in the waste which may require special handling.

Physical components (%vol): Catalyst (>80% wt). Steel drums, high density polythene liners (<10% wt) containing the waste.

Sealed sources: The waste does not contain sealed sources.

Bulk density (t/m³): ~1.06

Comment on density: -

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

General description and components (%wt): Alumina-platinum catalyst (>80% wt), polythene liners (<10% wt). The platinum is in an "active" form deposited onto an alumina base granule.

Chemical state: Neutral

Chemical form of radionuclides: H-3: Incorporated into material
C-14: May be present as Graphite contamination
Cl-36: Not expected to be present in significant quantities
Se-79: Not expected to be present in significant quantities
Tc-99: Not expected to be present in significant quantities
I-129: Not expected to be present in significant quantities
Ra: Not expected to be present in significant quantities
Th: Not expected to be present in significant quantities
U: Not expected to be present in significant quantities
Np: Not expected to be present in significant quantities
Pu: Not expected to be present in significant quantities

Metals and alloys (%wt): Not expected to be present.

Stainless steel.....	TR
Other ferrous metals.....	P
Iron.....	
Aluminium.....	
Beryllium.....	NE
Cobalt.....	NE
Copper.....	
Lead.....	0

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	Magnox/Magnesium.....	0	
	Nickel.....	NE	
	Titanium.....	NE	
	Uranium.....	NE	
	Zinc.....	0	
	Zircaloy/Zirconium.....	0	
	Other metals.....	~0.30	~0.3%wt Platinum on alumina.
Organics (%wt):	To be further assessed. Polythene drum liners are present.		
	Total cellulosics.....	0	
	Paper, cotton.....	0	
	Wood.....	0	
	Halogenated plastics	0	
	Total non-halogenated plastics.....	<10.0	
	Condensation polymers.....	0	
	Others.....	<10.0	
	Organic ion exchange materials....	0	
	Total rubber.....	0	
	Halogenated rubber	0	
	Non-halogenated rubber.....	0	
	Hydrocarbons.....	0	
	Oil or grease		
	Fuel.....		
	Asphalt/Tarmac (cont.coal tar)...		
	Asphalt/Tarmac (no coal tar)....		
	Bitumen.....		
	Others.....		
	Other organics.....	NE	
Other materials (%wt):	Approximately 80wt% alumina base granule.		
	Inorganic ion exchange materials.	0	
	Inorganic sludges and flocs.....	0	
	Soil.....	0	
	Brick/Stone/Rubble.....	0	
	Cementitious material.....	0	
	Sand.....	0	
	Glass/Ceramics.....		
	Graphite.....	0	
	Desiccants/Catalysts.....	89.7	
	Asbestos.....	0	
	Non/low friable.....		
	Moderately friable.....		
	Highly friable.....		
	Free aqueous liquids.....	0	
	Free non-aqueous liquids.....	0	

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	Powder/Ash.....	0	
Inorganic anions (%wt):	None of the listed inorganic anions are expected to be present at greater than trace constituents.		
	Fluoride.....	TR	
	Chloride.....	TR	
	Iodide.....	TR	
	Cyanide.....	NE	
	Carbonate.....	TR	
	Nitrate.....	0	
	Nitrite.....	0	
	Phosphate.....	0	
	Sulphate.....	TR	
	Sulphide.....	TR	
Materials of interest for waste acceptance criteria:	There are no materials identified in the waste likely to present a fire or other non-radiological hazard.		
	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.....	0	Not expected
	Soluble solids as bulk chemical compounds.....	0	
Hazardous substances / non hazardous pollutants:	To be determined.		
	Acrylamide.....	NE	
	Benzene.....	NE	
	Chlorinated solvents.....	NE	
	Formaldehyde.....	NE	
	Organometallics.....	NE	
	Phenol.....	NE	
	Styrene.....	NE	
	Tri-butyl phosphate.....	NE	
	Other organophosphates.....	NE	
	Vinyl chloride.....	NE	

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Arsenic..... NE
 Barium..... NE
 Boron..... NE
 Cadmium..... NE
 Caesium..... NE
 Selenium..... NE
 Chromium..... NE
 Molybdenum..... NE
 Thallium..... NE
 Tin..... NE
 Vanadium..... NE
 Mercury compounds..... NE
 Others..... NE
 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):

Not yet determined
 EDTA..... NE
 DPTA..... NE
 NTA..... NE
 Polycarboxylic acids..... NE
 Other organic complexants..... NE
 Total complexing agents..... NE

Expect only trace quantities, if any.

LAW TREATMENT, PACKAGING AND DISPOSAL

Waste that is currently ILW: This waste is ILW at the time of arising. The waste is stored temporarily to allow decay of short lived radionuclides, following this, the waste is sent for decontamination to LLW. No date specified.

Planned on-site / off-site treatments(s):

Treatment	On-site / Off site	Stream volume %
Low force compaction		
Supercompaction (HFC)		
Incineration		
Solidification	Off-site	100.0
Decontamination	Off-site	100.0
Metal treatment		
Size reduction		
Decay storage	On-site	100.0
Recycling / reuse		
Other / various		
None		

Comment on planned treatments:

Current waste treatment is to decontaminate to LLW and then encapsulate. However, trials are ongoing to consider a change in strategy to wash and incinerate.

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Disposal Route	Stream volume %
Expected to be consigned to the LLW Repository Expected to be consigned to a Landfill Facility Expected to be consigned to an On-Site Disposal Facility Expected to be consigned to an Incineration Facility Expected to be consigned to a Metal Treatment Facility Expected to be consigned as Out of Scope Expected to be recycled / reused Disposal route not known	100.0

Upcoming (2019/20-2021/22) waste routing (if expected to change from above)

Disposal Route	Stream volume %		
	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
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Waste Packaging for Disposal:

Container	Stream volume %	Waste loading m ³	Number of packages
1/3 Height IP-1 ISO 2/3 Height IP-2 ISO 1/2 Height WAMAC IP-2 ISO 1/2 Height IP-2 Disposal/Re-usable ISO 2m box (no shielding) 4m box (no shielding) Other	100.0	~9.1	< 1

Other information: Waste loading is based on 9.1 Tonnes per half-height ISO. This gives a conditioning factor of approximately 1.62.

Waste Consigned to the LLW Repository:

Container voidage: -

Waste Characterisation Form (WCH): The waste does not meet the LLWR's Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC).
Does not meet WAC until catalyst is decontaminated.

Waste consigned for disposal to LLWR in year of generation: No. Waste is ILW when generated and needs decontaminating to LLW .

Potential for the waste to contain discrete items: No

Non-Containerised Waste for In-Vault Grouting: (Not applicable to this waste stream)

Stream volume (%): -

Waste stream variation: -

Bounding cuboidal volume:

Inaccessible voidage: -

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Other information:

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RADIOACTIVITY

Source:

Contamination by activation products will be the main source of activity.

Uncertainty:

Specific activity is a function of operating history. The values quoted are indicative of the activities that may be expected.

Definition of total alpha and total beta/gamma:

Where totals are shown on the table of radionuclide activities they are the sums of the listed alpha or beta/gamma emitting radionuclides plus 'other alpha' or 'other beta/gamma'.

Measurement of radioactivities:

Not yet determined

Other information:

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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	1.69E-01	DD 2	2E-01	CC 2	Gd 153				
Be 10		8		8	Ho 163				
C 14		8		8	Ho 166m				
Na 22		4		4	Tm 170				
Al 26		4		4	Tm 171				
Cl 36		6		6	Lu 174				
Ar 39					Lu 176				
Ar 42					Hf 178n				
K 40					Hf 182				
Ca 41		8		8	Pt 193				
Mn 53					Tl 204				
Mn 54	6.16E-09	DD 2	4E-07	CC 2	Pb 205				
Fe 55	4.17E-07	DD 2	2E-06	CC 2	Pb 210	8			8
Co 60	1.35E-07	DD 2	3E-07	CC 2	Bi 208				
Ni 59		6		6	Bi 210m				
Ni 63	2.94E-07	DD 2	3E-07	CC 2	Po 210	8			8
Zn 65		8		8	Ra 223				
Se 79		8		8	Ra 225				
Kr 81					Ra 226	8			8
Kr 85					Ra 228				
Rb 87					Ac 227				
Sr 90		8		8	Th 227				
Zr 93		8		8	Th 228				
Nb 91					Th 229	8			8
Nb 92					Th 230	8			8
Nb 93m		8		8	Th 232	8			8
Nb 94		8		8	Th 234				
Mo 93		8		8	Pa 231	8			8
Tc 97					Pa 233				
Tc 99		8		8	U 232				
Ru 106		8		8	U 233	8			8
Pd 107		8		8	U 234	8			8
Ag 108m		8		8	U 235	8			8
Ag 110m					U 236	8			8
Cd 109					U 238	8			8
Cd 113m					Np 237	8			8
Sn 119m					Pu 236				
Sn 121m		8		8	Pu 238	8			8
Sn 123					Pu 239	8			8
Sn 126		8		8	Pu 240	8			8
Sb 125					Pu 241	8			8
Sb 126					Pu 242	8			8
Te 125m					Am 241	8			8
Te 127m					Am 242m	8			8
I 129		8		8	Am 243	8			8
Cs 134		8		8	Cm 242	8			8
Cs 135		8		8	Cm 243	8			8
Cs 137		6		6	Cm 244	8			8
Ba 133					Cm 245	8			8
La 137					Cm 246	8			8
La 138					Cm 248				
Ce 144		8		8	Cf 249				
Pm 145					Cf 250				
Pm 147		8		8	Cf 251				
Sm 147					Cf 252				
Sm 151		8		8	Other a	8			8
Eu 152		8		8	Other b/g	1.53E-08	DD 2	5E-01	CC 2
Eu 154		8		8	Total a	<1E-09	8	<1E-09	8
Eu 155		8		8	Total b/g	1.69E-01	DD 2	7E-01	CC 2

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