SITE Sellafield

SITE OWNER Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

WASTE CUSTODIAN Sellafield Limited

WASTE TYPE LLW

Is the waste subject to Scottish Policy:

No

**WASTE VOLUMES** 

WASTE VOLUMES		Reported
Stocks:	At 1.4.2022	0 m³
Future arisings -	1.4.2022 - 31.3.2023	~0 m³
_	1.4.2023 - 31.3.2024	~0 m³
	1.4.2024 - 31.3.2025	~0 m³
	1.4.2025 - 31.3.2040	~0 m³
	1.4.2040 - 31.3.2053	~121.8 m³
	1.4.2053 - 31.3.2055	~0 m³
	1.4.2055 - 31.3.2057	~45.5 m³
	1.4.2057 - 31.3.2060	~149.0 m³
	1.4.2060 - 31.3.2063	~123.1 m³
	1.4.2063 - 31.3.2070	~344.1 m³
	1.4.2070 - 31.3.2074	~146.3 m³
	1.4.2074 - 31.3.2077	~29.0 m³
	1.4.2077 - 31.3.2089	~161.9 m³
	1.4.2089 - 31.3.2093	~47.8 m³
	1.4.2093 - 31.3.2095	~7.7 m <sup>3</sup>
	1.4.2095 - 31.3.2096	~5.4 m³
	1.4.2096 - 31.3.2099	~4.7 m³
	1.4.2099 - 31.3.2103	~14.6 m³
	1.4.2103 - 31.3.2104	~6.6 m³
	1.4.2104 - 31.3.2107	~47.9 m³
	1.4.2107 - 31.3.2112	~121.2 m³
	1.4.2112 - 31.3.2113	~15.1 m³
	1.4.2113 - 31.3.2116	~28.1 m³
Total future arisings:		1419.9 m³
Total waste volume:		1419.9 m³

Comment on volumes: Arisings are in line with current decommissioning programmes and strategy. Waste within

this waste stream is generated from a number of decommissioning projects which will commence at a future date. As a result of this, minimal characterisation of waste volumes and fingerprints has been carried out and hence there is a large uncertainty in the potential arisings. Preliminary assessments indicate that the volumes may vary from -50% to +300%

for LLW.

Uncertainty factors on Volumes: Stock (upper): x Arisings (upper) x = 4.0 Arisings (lower) x = 0.5

**WASTE SOURCE** Dismantling of waste stores and associated facilities.

#### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

General description: Plant and equipment, instruments and fittings, internal building fabric, soft waste ie. rubber,

PVC, paper. Most items size reduced in-situ. Some large items may be present.

Physical components (%vol): Vessels, tanks (5%), plant and equipment (63%), ducting (13%), electrical cabling,

hardware and instruments (3%), internal fabric and furniture (4%), secondary steelwork

(4%), soft waste (8%).

Sealed sources: The waste does not contain sealed sources.

Bulk density (t/m³): ~0.5

Comment on density: Density stated is an average for raw LLW generated at building workface.

#### **CHEMICAL COMPOSITION**

General description and components (%wt):

Stainless steel (32%), mild steel (51.5%), copper (2%), aluminium (0.5%), plastic (9%),

rubber (2%), cellulose (1%), glass (2%). Percentages are by volume.

Chemical state:

Neutral

Chemical form of radionuclides:

H-3: The chemical form of Tritium has not been determined C-14: The chemical form of carbon-14 has not been determined

Cl-36: The chlorine content is insignificant. Se-79: The selenium content is insignificant

Tc-99: The chemical form of technetium has not been determined I-129: The chemical form of iodine has not been determined.

Ra: The Radium content is insignificant Th: The Thorium content is insignificant

U: The chemical form of uranium has not been determined Np: The chemical form of neptunium has not been determined Pu: The chemical form of plutonium has not been determined

Metals and alloys (%wt): Some sh

Some sheet metal present (~30%), bulk metal (70%).

(%wt)

Type(s) / Grade(s) with proportions % of total C14 activity

Stainless steel	~32.0	The most commonly used stainless steel is 304L.
Other ferrous metals	51.5	
Iron		
Aluminium	0.50	
Beryllium	0	
Cobalt	0	
Copper	2.0	
Lead	TR	
Magnox/Magnesium	0	
Nickel		
Titanium	0	
Uranium	0	
Zinc	0	
Zircaloy/Zirconium	0	
Other metals	0	

Organics (%wt):

The waste contains PVC and other plastics, small amounts of rubber and cellulose. Percentages are by volume. PVC oversuits, Windscale suits, waste bags, rubber gloves.

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14
Total cellulosics	1.0		donvity
Paper, cotton	TR		
Wood	~1.0		
Halogenated plastics	7.0		
Total non-halogenated plastics	2.0		
Condensation polymers	1.0		
Others	1.0		
Organic ion exchange materials	0		
Total rubber	<2.0		
Halogenated rubber	Р		
Non-halogenated rubber	Р		
Hydrocarbons			

Oil or grease			
Fuel			
Asphalt/Tarmac (cont.coal tar)			
Asphalt/Tarmac (no coal tar)			
Bitumen			
Others			
Other organics	0		
Other materials (%wt):			
	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Inorganic ion exchange materials	0		
Inorganic sludges and flocs	0		
Soil	0		
Brick/Stone/Rubble	TR		
Cementitious material	TR		
Sand	0		
Glass/Ceramics	~2.0		
Graphite	0		
Desiccants/Catalysts	0		
Asbestos	Р	The volumes and types of asbestos present have not been determined.	
Non/low friable			
Moderately friable			
Highly friable			
Free aqueous liquids	0		
Free non-aqueous liquids	0		
Powder/Ash	0		
Inorganic anions (%wt): Inorganic anions	are not expe	cted to be present.	
	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	
Fluoride	0		
Chloride	0		
lodide	0		
Cyanide	0		
Carbonate	0		
Nitrate	0		
Nitrite	0		
Phosphate	0		
Sulphate	0		
Sulphide	0		

Materials of interest for waste acceptance criteria:

Putrescible waste is organic matter. Asbestos is cement cladding, sheets, ceiling tiles and roof cladding.

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Combustible metals	0	
Low flash point liquids	0	
Explosive materials	0	
Phosphorus	0	
Hydrides	0	
Biological etc. materials	0	
Biodegradable materials	Р	
Putrescible wastes	Р	Trace.
Non-putrescible wastes	0	
Corrosive materials	0	
Pyrophoric materials	0	
Generating toxic gases	0	
Reacting with water	0	
Higher activity particles	0	
Soluble solids as bulk chemical compounds	0	
Hazardous substances / Lead is present in to non hazardous pollutants:	race quant	ities. Asbestos.
non nazardous polititants.	(0( )	<b>-</b> ()
	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Acrylamide		
Benzene Chlorinated solvents		
FormaldehydeOrganometallics		
Phenol		
Styrene  Tri-butyl phosphate		
Other organophosphates		
Vinyl chloride		
Arsenic		
Barium		
Boron		
Boron (in Boral)		
Boron (non-Boral)		
Cadmium		
Caesium		
Selenium		
Chromium		
Molybdenum		
Thallium		
Tin		
Vanadium		

Mercury compounds		
Others		
Electronic Electrical Equipment (EEE)		
EEE Type 1		
EEE Type 2		
EEE Type 3		
EEE Type 4		
EEE Type 5		
Complexing agents (%wt): No		
	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
EDTA		
DPTA		
NTA		
Polycarboxylic acids		
Other organic complexants		
Total complexing agents		
Potential for the waste to Yes. Tools and stee	el fabricati	ons mav be present.

contain discrete items:

Yes. Tools and steel fabrications may be present.

### TREATMENT, PACKAGING AND DISPOSAL

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

Treatment	On-site / Off site	Stream volume %
Low force compaction		
Supercompaction (HFC)		
Incineration	Off-site	10.0
Solidification		
Decontamination		
Metal treatment	Off-site	72.0
Size reduction		
Decay storage		
Recyling / reuse		
Other / various		
None		18.0

Comment on planned treatments:

Although there are no firm plans in place, based on current experience we have assumed the treatment methods set out in the table for the purposes of the 2022 UK Inventory. For Inventory purposes, it is assumed that supercompaction will continue after the closure of WAMAC in 2028.

**Disposal Routes:** 

Disposal Route	Stream volume %	Disposal density t/m3
Expected to be consigned to the LLW Repository	18.0	1.2
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	10.0	0.14
Expected to be consigned to a Metal Treatment Facility	72.0	1.4
Expected to be consigned as Out of Scope		
Expected to be recycled / reused		
Disposal route not known		

Classification codes for waste expected to be consigned to a landfill facility:

Upcoming (2022/23-2024/25) Waste Routing (if expected to change from above):

Disposal Route	Stream volume %			
Disposal Notice	2022/23 2023/24 202		2024/25	
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				

Opportunities for alternative disposal routing: Not yet determined

Baseline Opportunity Stream Opportunity Stream Opportunity Opportu	mated e that Opportunity ortunity Confidence realised
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### **Waste Packaging for Disposal:**

Container	Stream volume %	Waste loading m <sup>3</sup>	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	18.0	15.7	17

Other information:

### Waste Planned for Disposal at the LLW Repository:

Container voidage: Voidage will be highly variable dependent on feed material from multiple buildings.

Waste Characterisation

Form (WCH):

It is not yet determined if the waste meets LLWR's Waste Acceptance Criteria

(WAC).

This waste stream covers future decommissioning projects. Waste from future projects will require WCHs prior to acceptance for disposal to the LLWR.

Waste consigned for disposal to LLWR in year of generation:

Yes.

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

Stream volume (%):

Waste stream variation: -

Bounding cuboidal volume:

Inaccessible voidage: -

Other information:

#### **RADIOACTIVITY**

Source: The main sources of activity are actinides and fission products.

Uncertainty: Waste within this waste stream is generated from a number of decommissioning projects

which will commence at a future date. The uncertainties quoted for each nuclide represent

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both the uncertainty in quantification without detailed sampling and the likely variation of nuclide in different building consigned wastes under this waste stream. It is exceptionally unlikely that all the waste included in this waste stream will have the same variation in nuclide fingerprint. Also activity levels will depend on degree of decontamination achieved.

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:

Future arisings activities are based on actual activities of similar recent disposals.

Other information:

Other alpha not specified. Other beta/gamma includes Zr95 3.47E-9 TBq/m³, Nb95 5.68E-9 TBq/m³ and Ru103 4.51E-10 TBq/m³. Nuclides making up remaining "other beta/gamma" not specified.

I		Mean radioac	tivity, TBq/m³				Mean radioa	ctivity, TBq/m³	
Nuclide	Waste at	Bands and	Future	Bands and	Nuclide	Waste at	Bands and	Future	Bands and
<u> </u>	1.4.2022	Code	arisings	Code		1.4.2022	Code	arisings	Code
H 3			2.49E-09	CC 2	Gd 153				
Be 10 C 14			9.075.00	8 CC 2	Ho 163 Ho 166m				
Na 22			8.97E-09	CC 2	Tm 170				
Al 26					Tm 171				
CI 36				8	Lu 174				
Ar 39				Ü	Lu 176				
Ar 42					Hf 178n				
K 40					Hf 182				
Ca 41				8	Pt 193				
Mn 53					TI 204				
Mn 54			2.15E-12	CC 2	Pb 205				
Fe 55			3.34E-10	CC 2	Pb 210				8
Co 60			5.67E-09	CC 2	Bi 208				
Ni 59				8	Bi 210m				
Ni 63			2.12E-09	CC 2	Po 210				8
Zn 65			2.15E-12	CC 2	Ra 223				
Se 79				8	Ra 225				
Kr 81					Ra 226				8
Kr 85					Ra 228				
Rb 87					Ac 227				
Sr 90			1.41E-06	CC 2	Th 227				
Zr 93			3.75E-12	CC 2	Th 228 Th 229				0
Nb 91					Th 229				8 8
Nb 92				0	Th 232				8
Nb 93m				8	Th 234				O
Nb 94 Mo 93				8 8	Pa 231				8
Tc 97				0	Pa 233				
Tc 99			4.17E-09	CC 2	U 232				
Ru 106			2.37E-08	CC 2	U 233				8
Pd 107				8	U 234			1.01E-09	CC 2
Ag 108m				8	U 235			3.51E-11	CC 2
Ag 110m					U 236				8
Cd 109					U 238			1.40E-09	CC 2
Cd 113m					Np 237			7.35E-10	CC 2
Sn 119m					Pu 236				
Sn 121m				8	Pu 238			8.50E-09	CC 2
Sn 123					Pu 239			1.32E-07	CC 2
Sn 126				8	Pu 240			2.23E-08	CC 2
Sb 125					Pu 241			5.09E-07	CC 2
Sb 126					Pu 242			2.79E-15	CC 2
Te 125m Te 127m					Am 241 Am 242m			1.12E-08	CC 2 8
1 129			4.71E-12	CC 2	Am 243				8
Cs 134			4.71E-12 4.66E-08	CC 2	Cm 242			2.19E-12	CC 2
Cs 135			→.00∟-00	8	Cm 242			2.19L-12 2.44E-11	CC 2
Cs 137			7.79E-06	CC 2	Cm 244			1.48E-09	CC 2
Ba 133			02 00		Cm 245			52 00	8
La 137					Cm 246				8
La 138					Cm 248				
Ce 144			1.75E-08	CC 2	Cf 249				
Pm 145					Cf 250				
Pm 147			2.95E-10	CC 2	Cf 251				
Sm 147					Cf 252				
Sm 151			1.19E-09	CC 2	Other a			9.54E-11	CC 2
Eu 152			9.36E-12	CC 2	Other b/g			1.33E-08	CC 2
Eu 154			1.45E-09	CC 2	Total a	0		1.79E-07	CC 2
Eu 155			2.38E-10	CC 2	Total b/g	0		9.84E-06	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