SITE Sellafield

SITE OWNER Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

WASTE CUSTODIAN Sellafield Limited

WASTE TYPE ILW

Is the waste subject to

Scottish Policy:

No

**WASTE VOLUMES** 

|                        |                      | керопеа                |
|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Stocks:                | At 1.4.2022          | $0  \text{m}^3$        |
| Future arisings -      | 1.4.2022 - 31.3.2023 | 0 m³                   |
|                        | 1.4.2023 - 31.3.2024 | $0\mathrm{m}^3$        |
|                        | 1.4.2024 - 31.3.2025 | 0 m³                   |
|                        | 1.4.2025 - 31.3.2055 | 0 m³                   |
|                        | 1.4.2055 - 31.3.2057 | $\sim 6.2  \text{m}^3$ |
|                        | 1.4.2057 - 31.3.2070 | ~69.0 m³               |
|                        | 1.4.2070 - 31.3.2074 | ~8.9 m³                |
|                        | 1.4.2074 - 31.3.2120 | 0 m³                   |
| Total future arisings: |                      | 84.1 m <sup>3</sup>    |
| Total waste volume:    |                      | 84.1 m <sup>3</sup>    |

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 -30% to +200%

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for ILW.

Uncertainty factors on

volumes:

Stock (upper): x Stock (lower): x Arisings (upper) x 3.0

Arisings (lower) x 0.7

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

## PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

General description: Plant and equipment, internal building fabric and soft waste ie. rubber/PVC/paper. Most

items size reduced in-situ. Some large items may be present.

Physical components (%vol): Pipework, valves and fittings (24%), plant and equipment (66%), soft waste ie. PVC/rubber

(10%).

Sealed sources: The waste does not contain sealed sources.

Bulk density (t/m³): ~0.5

Comment on density: Density stated is average for conditioned ILW.

## **CHEMICAL COMPOSITION**

General description and

components (%wt):

Stainless steel (40%), mild steel (47%), copper (1%), aluminium (1%), plastic (7%), rubber

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

Chemical state: Neutral

Chemical form of radionuclides:

CI-36: Not expected to be present in significant quantities. Se-79: 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.

Metals and alloys (%wt): Some sheet metal present (~30%), bulk metal (70%).

|                      | (%wt) | Type(s) / Grade(s) with proportions             | % of total C14 activity |
|----------------------|-------|---|-------------------------|
| Stainless steel      | 40.0  | The most commonly used stainless steel is 304L. | •                       |
| Other ferrous metals | 47.0  |   |                         |
| Iron                 | 0     |   |                         |
| Aluminium            | 1.0   |   |                         |
| Beryllium            | 0     |   |                         |
| Cobalt               | 0     |   |                         |
| Copper               | 1.0   |   |                         |
| Lead                 | TR    |   |                         |
| Magnox/Magnesium     | 0     |   |                         |
| Nickel               | 0     |   |                         |
| Titanium             |       |   |                         |
| Uranium              |       |   |                         |
| Zinc                 | TR    |   |                         |
| 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 activity |
|--------------------------------|-------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Total cellulosics              | 1.0   |                     | ,                       |
| Paper, cotton                  | TR    |                     |                         |
| Wood                           | ~1.0  |                     |                         |
| Halogenated plastics           | 5.0   |                     |                         |
| 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   |            |   |                         |
| Glass/Ceramics                                       | ~1.0       |   |                         |
| Graphite   | 0          |   |                         |
| Desiccants/Catalysts                                 |            |   |                         |
| Asbestos   | TR         | Due to the age of facilites covered by this waste stream trace amounts of white blue and brown asbestos may be present. |                         |
| Non/low friable                                      |            |   |                         |
| Moderately friable                                   |            |   |                         |
| Highly friable                                       |            |   |                         |
| Free aqueous liquids                                 | 0          |   |                         |
| Free non-aqueous liquids                             | 0          |   |                         |
| Powder/Ash   | 0          |   |                         |
| Inorganic anions (%wt): Inorganic anions ar          | e not expe | ected 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: |            |   |                         |
|  | (%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                              | 0          |   |                         |

|              | 110000                                    | 0.0.00    |                     |
|--------------|---|-----------|---------------------|
|              | Putrescible wastes                        | 0         |                     |
|              | Non-putrescible wastes                    | 0         |                     |
|              | Corrosive materials                       | 0         |                     |
|              | Pyrophoric materials                      | 0         |                     |
|              | Generating toxic gases                    | 0         |                     |
|              | Reacting with water                       | 0         |                     |
|              | Higher activity particles                 | NE        |                     |
|              | Soluble solids as bulk chemical compounds | 0         |                     |
| Hazardous su |   | ce quanti | ties. Asbestos.     |
|              |   | (%wt)     | Type(s) and comment |
|              | Acrylamide                                |           |                     |
|              | Benzene                                   |           |                     |
|              | Chlorinated solvents                      |           |                     |
|              | Formaldehyde                              |           |                     |
|              | Organometallics                           |           |                     |
|              | 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.....

|                           | (%wt) | Type(s) and comment |
|---------------------------|-------|---------------------|
| EDTA                      |       |                     |
| DPTA                      |       |                     |
| NTA                       |       |                     |
| Polycarboxylic acids      |       |                     |
| Other organic complexants |       |                     |
|                           |       |                     |

No

Total complexing agents.....

Potential for the waste to contain discrete items:

Complexing agents (%wt):

Yes. Tools and steel fabrications are likely to be present in this waste stream

### **PACKAGING AND CONDITIONING**

Conditioning method: The waste will be subject to in-situ size reduction prior to placing in a 3 m<sup>3</sup>

0

Decommissioning Concrete Container (DCC). No further size reduction or

compaction will be carried out. Waste may be flood grouted if required for disposal.

Plant Name: Future Low End Encapsulation Capability facilities.

Location: Sellafield. Plant startup date: 2027

Total capacity

(m³/y incoming waste):

2055

Target start date for packaging this stream:

Throughput for this stream (m³/y incoming waste):

LEEC treatment capability and capacity are currently under develoment.

Likely container type:

Other information:

| r | Container  | Waste<br>packaged<br>(%vol) | Waste loading (m³) | Payload<br>(m³) | Number of packages |
|---|------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|   | Other(DCC) | ~100.0                      | ~0.51              | 2.15            | 165                |

Likely container type

comment:

DCC - external envelope of a Sellafield 3 m³ box however it is made of fibre-reinforced

concrete.

Range in container waste

volume:

The volume of raw waste in a container can vary from 5% to 65% by volume (Note a full

container of dry sharp sand would be 50% by volume).

Other information on

containers:

Fiber reinforced concrete box.

Likely conditioning matrix:

Not specified

Other information:

Conditioned density (t/m³):

~1.0

Conditioned density comment:

Conditioned waste density varies depending on waste loading.

Other information on conditioning:

Opportunities for alternative

disposal routing:

Yes

| Baseline<br>Management Route                     | Opportunity<br>Management Route | Stream<br>volume (%) | Estimated Date that Opportunity will be realised | Opportunity<br>Confidence | Comment   |
|--|---------------------------------|----------------------|--|---------------------------|---|
| Disposal at a<br>Geological Disposal<br>Facility | Disposal at LLWR                | ~20.0                | 2055   | Medium                    | There is potential for up to 20% of the waste to be diverted to LLWR. |

### **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 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 puelide fingerprint. Also activity levels will depend on degree of decentamination.

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achieved.

Definition of total alpha Where totals are shown on the table of radionuclide activities they are the sums of the 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'.

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Measurement of radioactivities:

Other information: Other alpha not specified. Other beta/gamma includes Zr95 1.74E-5 TBg/m³, Nb95 2.84E-

5 TBq/m³ and Ru103 2.26E-6 TBq/m³. Other nuclides not specified.

|                   | Mean radioactivity, TBq/m³ |                   |                      | Mean radioactivity, TBq/m³ |                   |                   |                   |                      |                   |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Nuclide           | Waste at 1.4.2022          | Bands and<br>Code | Future<br>arisings   | Bands and<br>Code          | Nuclide           | Waste at 1.4.2022 | Bands and<br>Code | Future<br>arisings   | Bands and<br>Code |
| H 3               |                            |                   | 1.24E-04             | CC 2                       | Gd 153            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Be 10             |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | Ho 163            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| C 14              | <u> </u>                   |                   | 4.48E-04             | CC 2                       | Ho 166m           |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Na 22             |                            |                   |                      |                            | Tm 170            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| AI 26             |                            |                   |                      |                            | Tm 171            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| CI 36             |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | Lu 174            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Ar 39             |                            |                   |                      |                            | Lu 176            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Ar 42             |                            |                   |                      |                            | Hf 178n           |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| K 40              |                            |                   |                      | 0                          | Hf 182            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Ca 41<br>Mn 53    |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | Pt 193<br>Tl 204  |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Mn 54             |                            |                   | 1.07E-07             | CC 2                       | Pb 205            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Fe 55             |                            |                   | 1.67E-05             | CC 2                       | Pb 210            |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| Co 60             |                            |                   | 2.83E-04             | CC 2                       | Bi 208            |                   |                   |                      | O                 |
| Ni 59             |                            |                   | 2.03L-04             | 8                          | Bi 210m           |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Ni 63             |                            |                   | 1.06E-04             | CC 2                       | Po 210            |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| Zn 65             |                            |                   | 1.07E-07             | CC 2                       | Ra 223            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Se 79             | İ                          |                   |                      | 8                          | Ra 225            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Kr 81             |                            |                   |                      |                            | Ra 226            |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| Kr 85             |                            |                   |                      |                            | Ra 228            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Rb 87             |                            |                   |                      |                            | Ac 227            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Sr 90             |                            |                   | 7.05E-02             | CC 2                       | Th 227            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Zr 93             |                            |                   | 1.87E-07             | CC 2                       | Th 228            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Nb 91             |                            |                   |                      |                            | Th 229            |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| Nb 92             |                            |                   |                      |                            | Th 230            |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| Nb 93m            |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | Th 232            |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| Nb 94             |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | Th 234            |                   |                   |                      | _                 |
| Mo 93             |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | Pa 231            |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| Tc 97             |                            |                   |                      |                            | Pa 233            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Tc 99             |                            |                   | 2.08E-04             | CC 2                       | U 232<br>U 233    |                   |                   |                      | 0                 |
| Ru 106            | ļ                          |                   | 1.18E-03             | CC 2                       | U 234             |                   |                   | 5.06E-05             | 8<br>CC 2         |
| Pd 107            |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | U 235             |                   |                   | 1.75E-06             | CC 2              |
| Ag 108m           |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | U 236             |                   |                   | 1.732 00             | 8                 |
| Ag 110m<br>Cd 109 |                            |                   |                      |                            | U 238             |                   |                   | 7.01E-05             | CC 2              |
| Cd 109<br>Cd 113m |                            |                   |                      |                            | Np 237            |                   |                   | 3.68E-05             | CC 2              |
| Sn 119m           |                            |                   |                      |                            | Pu 236            |                   |                   | 5.552                |                   |
| Sn 121m           |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | Pu 238            |                   |                   | 4.25E-04             | CC 2              |
| Sn 123            |                            |                   |                      | · ·                        | Pu 239            |                   |                   | 6.59E-03             | CC 2              |
| Sn 126            |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | Pu 240            |                   |                   | 1.11E-03             | CC 2              |
| Sb 125            |                            |                   |                      |                            | Pu 241            |                   |                   | 2.55E-02             | CC 2              |
| Sb 126            |                            |                   |                      |                            | Pu 242            |                   |                   | 1.40E-10             | CC 2              |
| Te 125m           |                            |                   |                      |                            | Am 241            |                   |                   | 5.61E-04             | CC 2              |
| Te 127m           |                            |                   |                      |                            | Am 242m           |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| l 129             |                            |                   | 2.36E-07             | CC 2                       | Am 243            |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| Cs 134            |                            |                   | 2.33E-03             | CC 2                       | Cm 242            |                   |                   | 1.09E-07             | CC 2              |
| Cs 135            |                            |                   |                      | 8                          | Cm 243            |                   |                   | 1.22E-06             | CC 2              |
| Cs 137            |                            |                   | 3.89E-01             | CC 2                       | Cm 244            |                   |                   | 7.38E-05             | CC 2              |
| Ba 133            |                            |                   |                      |                            | Cm 245            |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| La 137            |                            |                   |                      |                            | Cm 246            |                   |                   |                      | 8                 |
| La 138            |                            |                   | 0745 01              | 00.5                       | Cm 248            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Ce 144            |                            |                   | 8.74E-04             | CC 2                       | Cf 249            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Pm 145            |                            |                   | 4 475 05             | 00 0                       | Cf 250            |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Pm 147            |                            |                   | 1.47E-05             | CC 2                       | Cf 251<br>Cf 252  |                   |                   |                      |                   |
| Sm 147<br>Sm 151  |                            |                   | 5 03E 05             | CC 2                       | Other a           |                   |                   | 4.77E-06             | CC 2              |
| Sm 151<br>Eu 152  |                            |                   | 5.93E-05<br>4.68E-07 | CC 2                       | Other a Other b/g |                   |                   | 4.77E-06<br>6.67E-04 | CC 2              |
| Eu 152<br>Eu 154  |                            |                   | 4.68E-07<br>7.26E-05 | CC 2                       | Total a           | 0                 |                   | 8.93E-03             | CC 2              |
| Eu 154<br>Eu 155  |                            |                   | 1.19E-05             | CC 2                       | Total b/g         | 0                 |                   | 6.93E-03<br>4.91E-01 | CC 2              |
| Eu 199            | I                          |                   | 1.19E-05             | 00 2                       | TOTAL D/Y         | !                 |                   | 4.31E-UI             | 00 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