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	21.6 m³
	1.4.2023 - 31.3.2024	57.0 m³
	1.4.2024 - 31.3.2025	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2025 - 31.3.2026	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2026 - 31.3.2027	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2027 - 31.3.2028	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2028 - 31.3.2029	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2029 - 31.3.2030	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2030 - 31.3.2031	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2031 - 31.3.2032	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2032 - 31.3.2033	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2033 - 31.3.2034	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2034 - 31.3.2035	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2035 - 31.3.2036	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2036 - 31.3.2037	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2037 - 31.3.2038	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2038 - 31.3.2039	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2039 - 31.3.2040	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2040 - 31.3.2041	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2041 - 31.3.2042	30.7 m ³
	1.4.2042 - 31.3.2043	30.7 m ³
Total future arisings:		661.7 m³
Total waste volume:		661.7 m³

Comment on volumes: Arisings are sourced from REM_TP_0116A and are based on the latest five-year forecasts

from the Waste Forecasting database. The overall timescale for waste arising are informed

by the Sellafield Site Master Timeline. Uncertainty information is notional.

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

WASTE SOURCE Waste arises from this facility due to the disposal of redundant equipment and

maintenance activities. The facility is in the process of being decommissioned.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

General description: The waste is mostly secondary waste and some quantities of hard waste associated with

plant items and the building fabric. The waste has not undergone any changes since it was

generated.

Physical components (%wt): Metals (50.1%), Concrete/Rubble (1.6%), Wood (1%), Rubber (1%), Halogenated Plastics

(5.4%), Non-Halogenated Plastics (5.4%), Hydrocarbons (0.9%), Other Organics (3%),

Asbestos (28.5%) and Other (3.1%).

Sealed sources: The waste does not contain sealed sources.

Bulk density (t/m³): 0.822

Comment on density: The total bulk density is derived from REM_TP_0116A and based on lifetime mass and

volume.

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

General description and components (%wt):

Metals (50.1%), Concrete/Rubble (1.6%), Wood (1%), Rubber (1%), Halogenated Plastics (5.4%), Non-Halogenated Plastics (5.4%), Hydrocarbons (0.9%), Other Organics (3%),

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Asbestos (28.5%) and Other (3.1%).

Chemical state:

Neutral

Chemical form of radionuclides:

radionuclides:			
Metals and alloys (%wt): Metal thickness not	specified		
	(%wt)	Type(s) / Grade(s) with proportions	% of total C14 activity
Stainless steel	10.7		donni
Other ferrous metals	15.0		
Iron	0.54		
Aluminium	0.75		
Beryllium	0		
Cobalt	0		
Copper	0.19		
Lead	. 21.5		
Magnox/Magnesium	. 0		
Nickel	0		
Titanium	0		
Uranium	0		
Zinc	1.4		
Zircaloy/Zirconium	0		
Other metals	0		
Organics (%wt):			
	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Total cellulosics	1.0		donvity
Paper, cotton	0		
Wood	1.0		
Halogenated plastics	5.4		
Total non-halogenated plastics	5.4		
Condensation polymers	0		
Others	0		
Organic ion exchange materials	0		
Total rubber	1.0		
Halogenated rubber	0		
Non-halogenated rubber	0		
Hydrocarbons	0.86		
Oil or grease	0		
Fuel	0		
Asphalt/Tarmac (cont.coal tar)	0		
Asphalt/Tarmac (no coal tar)	0		
Bitumen	0.86		
Others	0		
Other organics	3.0		

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	1.6		
Cementitious material	1.0		
Sand	0		
Glass/Ceramics	2.1		
Graphite	0		
Desiccants/Catalysts	0		
Asbestos	28.5		
Non/low friable	25.7		
Moderately friable	2.1		
Highly friable	0.64		
Free aqueous liquids	0		
Free non-aqueous liquids	0		
Powder/Ash	0		
Inorganic anions (%wt):			
	(%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	3.0		
Putrescible wastes	1.0		

	Non-putrescible wastes	2.0	
	Corrosive materials	0	
	Pyrophoric materials	0	
	Generating toxic gases	0	
	Reacting with water	2.2	
	Higher activity particles	0	
	Soluble solids as bulk chemical compounds	0	
Hazardous s	ubstances / - us pollutants:		
		(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
	Acrylamide	0	
	Benzene	0	
	Chlorinated solvents	0	
	Formaldehyde	0	
	Organometallics	0	
	Phenol	0	
	Styrene	0	
	Tri-butyl phosphate	0	
	Other organophosphates	0	
	Vinyl chloride	0	
	Arsenic	0	
	Barium	0	
	Boron	0	
	Boron (in Boral)	0	
	Boron (non-Boral)	0	
	Cadmium	0	
	Caesium	0	
	Selenium	0	
	Chromium	0	
	Molybdenum	0	
	Thallium	0	
	Tin	0	
	Vanadium	0	
	Mercury compounds	0	
	Others	0	
	Electronic Electrical Equipment (EEE)		
	EEE Type 1		70 items over 5 years.
	EEE Type 2		25 items over 5 years.
	EEE Type 3		50 items over 5 years.
	EEE Type 4		50 items over 5 years.
	EEE Type 5		25 items over 5 years.
	71		

Complexing agents (%wt): Yes

Other organic complexants...... 0

Total complexing agents.....<0.01

Potential for the waste to contain discrete items:

Yes. Metal sheets and channels, pumps, motors.

TREATMENT, PACKAGING AND DISPOSAL

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

Treatment	On-site / Off site	Stream volume %
Low force compaction		
Supercompaction (HFC)	On-site	22.8
Incineration	Off-site	22.8
Solidification		
Decontamination		
Metal treatment	Off-site	44.2
Size reduction		
Decay storage		
Recyling / reuse		
Other / various		
None		10.3

Comment on planned treatments:

All high force compaction takes place in WAMAC. For Inventory purposes, it is assumed that supercompaction will continue after the closure of WAMAC in 2028. Waste not requiring treatment is 'out of scope' metal, VLLW or direct disposal to LLWR.

Disposal Routes:

Disposal Route	Stream volume %	Disposal density t/m3
Expected to be consigned to the LLW Repository	26.6	0.29
Expected to be consigned to a Landfill Facility		
Expected to be consigned to an On-Site Disposal Facility	5.9	1.5
Expected to be consigned to an Incineration Facility	22.8	0.14
Expected to be consigned to a Metal Treatment Facility	44.2	1.4
Expected to be consigned as Out of Scope	0.57	1.4
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):

Stream volume %			
2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	
66.8	14.2	26.3	
16.4	37.5	2.4	
12.0	13.0	24.1	
4.0	35.0	46.6	
0.79	0.31	0.58	
	66.8 16.4 12.0 4.0	2022/23 2023/24 66.8 14.2 16.4 37.5 12.0 13.0 4.0 35.0	

Opportunities for alternative disposal routing: No

Baseline Opportunity Stream Opportunity Opportunity Opportunity Opportunity Confidence

will be realised

Waste Packaging for Disposal:

Container	Stream volume %	Waste loading m³	Number of packages
1/3 Height IP-1 ISO 2/3 Height IP-2 ISO			
1/2 Height WAMAC IP-2 ISO	22.8	59.28	3
1/2 Height IP-2 Disposal/Re-usable ISO	3.8	10	3
2m box (no shielding)			
4m box (no shielding)			
Other (VLLW disposed on site - No packages)	5.9		

Other information: -

Waste Planned for Disposal at the LLW Repository:

Container voidage: -

Waste Characterisation

Form (WCH):

The waste meets the LLWR's Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC).

The waste has a current WCH.

Differences exist between Inventory information and current WCH.

Materials and radioactivity data have been taken from the current WCH, but data on waste volumes and waste routes are based on the Waste Forecasting database as

Comment

this information is more recent.

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 activity has arisen as a result of PIE of experimental fuel. The waste has become

contaminated during care and maintenance.

Uncertainty: The uncertainty associated with the fingerprinting analysis is likely to be low, however the

volumes and total activity information (and possibly some other assumptions) are likely to

be more notional and thus more uncertain.

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:

Specific activity data is based on data in the corresponding WCH, which in turn maps an

estimated total activity to an analytically derived radionuclide fingerprint.

Other information: The radionuclides have been taken from REM_TP_0116A and are based on the current

WCH.

	Mean radioad	tivity, TBq/m³			Mean radioactivity, TBq/m³			
Nuclide	Waste at Bands and	Future	Bands and	Nuclide	Waste at	Bands and	Future	Bands and
	1.4.2022 Code	arisings	Code		1.4.2022	Code	arisings	Code
H 3 Be 10		7.85E-07	CC 2	Gd 153 Ho 163				
C 14		2.11E-07	CC 2	Ho 166m				
Na 22		2.11E-07	00 2	Tm 170				
Al 26				Tm 170				
CI 36				Lu 174				
Ar 39				Lu 176				
Ar 42				Hf 178n				
K 40				Hf 182				
Ca 41				Pt 193				
Mn 53				TI 204				
Mn 54				Pb 205				
Fe 55		3.95E-08	CC 2	Pb 210				
Co 60		2.59E-06	CC 2	Bi 208				
Ni 59				Bi 210m				
Ni 63		2.55E-05	CC 2	Po 210				
Zn 65				Ra 223				
Se 79				Ra 225				
Kr 81				Ra 226				
Kr 85				Ra 228				
Rb 87				Ac 227				
Sr 90		6.05E-06	CC 2	Th 227				
Zr 93				Th 228				
Nb 91				Th 229				
Nb 92				Th 230				
Nb 93m				Th 232				
Nb 94				Th 234 Pa 231				
Mo 93 Tc 97				Pa 233				
Tc 99				U 232				
Ru 106				U 233				
Pd 107				U 234				
Ag 108m				U 235				
Ag 110m				U 236				
Cd 109				U 238				
Cd 113m				Np 237				
Sn 119m				Pu 236				
Sn 121m				Pu 238			2.38E-07	CC 2
Sn 123				Pu 239			7.25E-08	CC 2
Sn 126				Pu 240			1.32E-07	CC 2
Sb 125				Pu 241			3.10E-06	CC 2
Sb 126				Pu 242				
Te 125m				Am 241			4.68E-07	CC 2
Te 127m				Am 242m				
I 129				Am 243 Cm 242				
Cs 134 Cs 135				Cm 242 Cm 243				
Cs 135 Cs 137		2.67E-05	CC 2	Cm 243 Cm 244				
Ba 133		2.07 L-03	00 2	Cm 245				
La 137				Cm 246				
La 138				Cm 248				
Ce 144				Cf 249				
Pm 145				Cf 250				
Pm 147				Cf 251				
Sm 147				Cf 252				
Sm 151				Other a				
Eu 152				Other b/g				
Eu 154		3.30E-08	CC 2	Total a	0		9.10E-07	CC 2
Eu 155				Total b/g	0		6.50E-05	CC 2
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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