

<b>WASTE STREAM</b>	<b>5B349</b>	<b>Uranium Recovery Plant LLW</b>
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**SITE** Dounreay  
**SITE OWNER** Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

**WASTE CUSTODIAN** Dounreay Site Restoration Limited

**WASTE TYPE** LLW

Is the waste subject to Scottish Policy: No

**WASTE VOLUMES**

		Reported
Stocks:	At 1.4.2022.....	0 m <sup>3</sup>
Future arisings -	1.4.2022 - 31.3.2023.....	42.6 m <sup>3</sup>
	1.4.2023 - 31.3.2024.....	42.6 m <sup>3</sup>
	1.4.2024 - 31.3.2025.....	42.7 m <sup>3</sup>
	1.4.2025 - 31.3.2026.....	87.3 m <sup>3</sup>
	1.4.2026 - 31.3.2027.....	236.8 m <sup>3</sup>
	1.4.2027 - 31.3.2028.....	647.6 m <sup>3</sup>
	1.4.2028 - 31.3.2029.....	286.1 m <sup>3</sup>
Total future arisings:		1385.7 m <sup>3</sup>
Total waste volume:		1385.7 m <sup>3</sup>
Comment on volumes:	Arisings have been revised in line with Predictive Waste Inventory walk round exercise. Stocks have been removed. These will be captured under 5B15 and 5B16. It should be noted that DSRL site programme is currently under review and future arisings dates are subject to change.	
Uncertainty factors on volumes:	Stock (upper): x	Arisings (upper) x 1.2
	Stock (lower): x	Arisings (lower) x 0.8

**WASTE SOURCE** Arisings will be from the decommissioning of the Uranium Recovery Plant.

**PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

General description: The waste will include gloveboxes, fume cupboards, plant items, flooring, tanks, ovens, panels, ventilation ducts/filters and secondary wastes.

Physical components (%vol): Aluminium (0.78%), Asbestos (0.14%), Asphalt (1.16%), Cementitious material (e.g. concrete) (50.26%), Copper (0.36%), Fibreglass (3.97%), Glass (0.37%), Gypsum Plasterboard/ Fibreboard (2.79%), Lead (0.04%), Mild Steel (15.79%), MMF Insulation Materials (nonHaz) (1.11%), Other (0.52%), Other organics (0.57%), Paper (6.41%), Plastic (7.37%), Rubber (1.37%), Stainless steel (2.52%), WEEE not containing hazardous components (0.02%), Wood/ Wood composite (4.39%), Paper / Cardboard (0.03%),

Sealed sources: Not yet determined.

Bulk density (t/m<sup>3</sup>): 0.36

Comment on density: Based on D3100 Disposed Inventory Report - 2020

**CHEMICAL COMPOSITION**

General description and components (%wt): Aluminium (0.67%), Asbestos (0.11%), Asphalt (0.85%), Cementitious material (e.g. concrete) (39.58%), Copper (1.06%), Fibreglass (3.42%), Glass (0.31%), Gypsum Plasterboard/ Fibreboard (0.59%), Lead (0.13%), Mild Steel (40.74%), MMF Insulation Materials (nonHaz) (0.04%), Other (0.17%), Other organics (0.19%), Paper (1.68%), Plastic (2.23%), Rubber (0.68%), Stainless steel (6.50%), WEEE not containing hazardous components (0.03%), Wood/ Wood composite (1.02%),

Chemical state: Neutral

Chemical form of radionuclides: Cl-36: Not likely to be present  
I-129: Not likely to be present  
U: Likely to be present as oxide.

Metals and alloys (%wt): -

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	(%wt)	Type(s) / Grade(s) with proportions	% of total C14 activity
Stainless steel.....	6.5	M316	
Other ferrous metals.....	40.6	Adjusted to get 100%	
Iron.....			
Aluminium.....	0.67		
Beryllium.....	0		
Cobalt.....	0		
Copper.....	1.1		
Lead.....	0.13		
Magnox/Magnesium.....	0		
Nickel.....			
Titanium.....			
Uranium.....			
Zinc.....			
Zircaloy/Zirconium.....	0		
Other metals.....	0.03	WEEE	
Organics (%wt):	-		
	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Total cellulose.....	2.7		
Paper, cotton.....	1.7		
Wood.....	1.0		
Halogenated plastics .....	1.1	Assume 50% split as no further breakdown can be provided.	
Total non-halogenated plastics.....	1.1	Assume 50% split as no further breakdown can be provided.	
Condensation polymers.....			
Others.....	1.1		
Organic ion exchange materials....	0		
Total rubber.....	0.68	No further breakdown can be provided	
Halogenated rubber .....	P		
Non-halogenated rubber.....	P		
Hydrocarbons.....	1.2		
Oil or grease .....			
Fuel.....			
Asphalt/Tarmac (cont.coal tar)...	0.43		
Asphalt/Tarmac (no coal tar)....	0.43		
Bitumen.....			
Others.....	0.17		
Other organics.....	0.19		
Other materials (%wt):	-		

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	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Inorganic ion exchange materials..	0		
Inorganic sludges and flocs.....	0		
Soil.....	0		
Brick/Stone/Rubble.....	NE		
Cementitious material.....	40.2	Concrete , Plasterboard, MMF	
Sand.....			
Glass/Ceramics.....	3.7	Glass + Fibreglass	
Graphite.....	0		
Desiccants/Catalysts.....	0		
Asbestos.....	0.11		
Non/low friable.....			
Moderately friable.....			
Highly friable.....			
Free aqueous liquids.....	0		
Free non-aqueous liquids.....	0		
Powder/Ash.....	0		

Inorganic anions (%wt): -

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Fluoride.....	0	
Chloride.....	NE	
Iodide.....	0	
Cyanide.....	0	
Carbonate.....	0	
Nitrate.....	TR	
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	
Putrescible wastes.....	0	
Non-putrescible wastes.....	0	

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Corrosive materials.....	
Pyrophoric materials.....	0
Generating toxic gases.....	0
Reacting with water.....	0
Higher activity particles.....	NE
Soluble solids as bulk chemical compounds.....	0

Hazardous substances /  
non hazardous pollutants: -

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Acrylamide.....		
Benzene.....	NE	
Chlorinated solvents.....		
Formaldehyde.....		
Organometallics.....		
Phenol.....	NE	
Styrene.....		
Tri-butyl phosphate.....	NE	
Other organophosphates.....		
Vinyl chloride.....	NE	
Arsenic.....	NE	
Barium.....		
Boron.....	NE	
Boron (in Boral).....		
Boron (non-Boral).....		
Cadmium.....		
Caesium.....		
Selenium.....	NE	
Chromium.....	NE	
Molybdenum.....	NE	
Thallium.....		
Tin.....	NE	
Vanadium.....	NE	
Mercury compounds.....		
Others.....	NE	
Electronic Electrical Equipment (EEE)		
EEE Type 1.....		
EEE Type 2.....		
EEE Type 3.....		
EEE Type 4.....		
EEE Type 5.....		

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Complexing agents (%wt): Not yet determined

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
EDTA.....		
DPTA.....		
NTA.....		
Polycarboxylic acids.....		
Other organic complexants.....		
Total complexing agents.....	NE	

Potential for the waste to contain discrete items: Yes. Waste has potential to contain contaminated hand tools and durable engineered structural items.

**TREATMENT, PACKAGING AND DISPOSAL**

Planned on-site / off-site treatment(s):	Treatment	On-site / Off site	Stream volume %
	Low force compaction	On-site	26.0
	Supercompaction (HFC)		
	Incineration	On-site	100.0
	Solidification		
	Decontamination		
	Metal treatment		
	Size reduction		
	Decay storage		
	Recycling / reuse		
	Other / various		
	None		

Comment on planned treatments: Uncompacted drums will be supercompacted before being placed in HHISOs. The waste will be encapsulated before final disposal. DSRL has begun trailing alternative waste treatment routes in particular Metal Treatment. These opportunities, however, are not yet fully established waste routes.

Disposal Routes:	Disposal Route	Stream volume %	Disposal density t/m3
	Expected to be consigned to the LLW Repository	100.0	~1.8
	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		

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 %		
	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Expected to be consigned to the LLW Repository			
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Expected to be consigned to a Metal Treatment Facility			
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Expected to be recycled / reused			
Disposal route not known			

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Opportunities for alternative disposal routing: -

Baseline Management Route	Opportunity Management Route	Stream volume (%)	Estimated Date that Opportunity will be realised	Opportunity Confidence	Comment
Onsite disposal	Incineration	~19.0	-	Low	This opportunity is still at an early stage of development. A small scale trial is expected to take place in FY22/23. The timing is dependent on the non-containerised waste tasks which will generate the wastes.
Onsite disposal	Metal treatment	10.0	2022	High	Trial is currently underway to open the Metal Treatment Route

**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	100.0	9.8	142

Other information: The waste will consist of large uncompactable items and 200 litre drums that have already been compacted. The waste will be loaded into alternative non-IP2 rated LLW Disposal HHISO for transfer for the DSRL LLW Disposal Facility. Each HHISO may have other LLW items in the final HHISO.

**Waste Planned for Disposal at the LLW Repository:** (Not applicable to this waste stream)

Container voidage: -

Waste Characterisation Form (WCH): -

Waste consigned for disposal to LLWR in year of generation: -

**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 material processed through the plant included material of varying enrichments ranging from depleted uranium to 93% uranium. In the absence of other information the fingerprint is assumed to be the same as that for operational wastes from the plant.

Uncertainty: Within a factor of 10 for arisings.

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: From Consignor's records: NDA results

Other information: Specific Activity uses UKRWI 2019 data decayed to 2022

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Nuclide	Mean radioactivity, TBq/m <sup>3</sup>				Nuclide	Mean radioactivity, TBq/m <sup>3</sup>			
	Waste at 1.4.2022	Bands and Code	Future arisings	Bands and Code		Waste at 1.4.2022	Bands and Code	Future arisings	Bands and Code
H 3					Gd 153				
Be 10					Ho 163				
C 14					Ho 166m				
Na 22					Tm 170				
Al 26					Tm 171				
Cl 36					Lu 174				
Ar 39					Lu 176				
Ar 42					Hf 178n				
K 40					Hf 182				
Ca 41					Pt 193				
Mn 53					Tl 204				
Mn 54					Pb 205				
Fe 55					Pb 210				
Co 60					Bi 208				
Ni 59					Bi 210m				
Ni 63					Po 210				
Zn 65					Ra 223				
Se 79					Ra 225				
Kr 81					Ra 226				
Kr 85					Ra 228		1.33E-08	CC 2	
Rb 87					Ac 227				
Sr 90					Th 227				
Zr 93					Th 228		9.26E-09	CC 2	
Nb 91					Th 229				
Nb 92					Th 230				
Nb 93m					Th 232		2.10E-08	CC 2	
Nb 94					Th 234				
Mo 93					Pa 231				
Tc 97					Pa 233				
Tc 99					U 232				
Ru 106					U 233				
Pd 107					U 234		3.61E-05	CC 2	
Ag 108m					U 235		6.59E-07	CC 2	
Ag 110m					U 236		4.85E-06	CC 2	
Cd 109					U 238		1.4E-07	CC 2	
Cd 113m					Np 237				
Sn 119m					Pu 236				
Sn 121m					Pu 238				
Sn 123					Pu 239				
Sn 126					Pu 240				
Sb 125					Pu 241				
Sb 126					Pu 242				
Te 125m					Am 241				
Te 127m					Am 242m				
I 129					Am 243				
Cs 134					Cm 242				
Cs 135					Cm 243				
Cs 137					Cm 244				
Ba 133					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					<b>Total a</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4.18E-05</b>	<b>CC 2</b>	
Eu 155					<b>Total b/g</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1.33E-08</b>	<b>CC 2</b>	

**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