SITE Dounreay (Vulcan)

SITE OWNER Ministry of Defence

**WASTE CUSTODIAN** Ministry of Defence

LLW; SPD1 **WASTE TYPE** 

Is the waste subject to

Scottish Policy:

Nο

**WASTE VOLUMES** 

Reported At 1.4.2022..... Stocks: 12.2 m<sup>3</sup> Future arisings -1.4.2022 - 31.3.2025...... 36.0 m<sup>3</sup> Total future arisings: 36.0 m<sup>3</sup> Total waste volume: 48.2 m<sup>3</sup>

Comment on volumes: Rates of arising will depend on operations carried out. Operational wastes will arise until the

site closure date of 2025. Estimates are based on historical information and waste arising

to date.

Uncertainty factors on

Stock (upper): x 1.1 volumes:

x 1.4 Arisings (upper)

Stock (lower): Arisings (lower) x 0.9 x 0.6

**WASTE SOURCE** Waste predominantly arising from decontamination operations and maintenance work.

#### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

General description: The waste comprises general and soft trash including paper swabs, redundant PPE, sheet

polythene etc. and metallic items such as filter housings, small tools & pipework.

Estimated material content by % volume: Polythene (43.17%), paper (24.06%), stainless steel (18.19%), other plastics (5.85%), rubber (4.02%), mild steel (3.0%), cotton (1.55%), cardboard (0.17%). The waste has not undergone any physical/chemical processes or

changes.

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Sealed sources: The waste does not contain sealed sources.

Bulk density (t/m3): ~0.6

Comment on density: Waste densities are estimated from the percentage of materials present in historical waste

consignments.

#### **CHEMICAL COMPOSITION**

General description and

components (%wt):

The waste comprises general and soft trash including paper swabs, redundant PPE, sheet

polythene etc. and metallic items such as filter housings, small tools & pipework.

Percentage weight not determined

Chemical state: Neutral

Chemical form of radionuclides:

H-3: Present in the form of radiologically contaminated materials.

C-14: Present in the form of radiologically contaminated materials.

Cl-36: Not known to be present. Se-79: Not known to be present. Tc-99: Not known to be present. I-129: Not known to be present. Ra: Not known to be present. Th: Not known to be present. U: Not known to be present. Np: Not known to be present.

Pu: Not known to be present.

Metals and alloys (%wt): The metals are supercompacted and include the 200 litre mild steel drum.

	(%wt)	Type(s) / Grade(s) with proportions	% of total C14
			activity
Stainless steel	NE		
Other ferrous metals	NE		
Iron	NE		
Aluminium	NE		
Beryllium	NE		
Cobalt	NE		
Copper	NE		
Lead	NE		
Magnox/Magnesium	NE		
Nickel	NE		
Titanium	NE		
Uranium	NE		
Zinc	NE		
Zircaloy/Zirconium	NE		
Other metals	NE		

Organics (%wt):

The cellulose content of the waste comprises paper, cotton cloth and wood. Halogenated plastic is present as PVC, non-halogenated plastic as polythene. Halogenated rubber may be present as neoprene.

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Total cellulosics	NE		acutty,
Paper, cotton	NE		
Wood	NE		
Halogenated plastics	NE		
Total non-halogenated plastics	NE		
Condensation polymers	NE		
Others	NE		
Organic ion exchange materials	NE		
Total rubber	NE		
Halogenated rubber	NE		
Non-halogenated rubber	NE		
Hydrocarbons	TR		
Oil or grease	TR		
Fuel	0		
Asphalt/Tarmac (cont.coal tar)	0		
Asphalt/Tarmac (no coal tar)	0		
Bitumen	0		
Others	0		
Other organics	NE		

Other materials (%wt):

Trace amounts of asbestos may be present

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Inorganic ion exchange materials	0		
Inorganic sludges and flocs	0		
Soil	0		
Brick/Stone/Rubble	0		
Cementitious material	0		
Sand	0		
Glass/Ceramics	NE		
Graphite	0		
Desiccants/Catalysts	0		
Asbestos	NE		
Non/low friable			
Moderately friable			
Highly friable			
Free aqueous liquids	0		
Free non-aqueous liquids	0		
Powder/Ash	0		
Inorganic anions (%wt): To be determined			
	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	
Fluoride	NE		
Chloride	NE		
lodide	NE		
Cyanide	NE		
Carbonate	NE		
Nitrate	NE		
Nitrite	NE		
Phosphate	NE		
Sulphate	NE		
Sulphide	NE		
Materials of interest for waste acceptance criteria:	asbestos r	nay be present	
	(%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.....

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

Hazardous substances / non hazardous pollutants:

Asbestos may be present in the waste. The asbestos content has not been quantified.

Type(s) and comment

	(%wt)
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
Arsenic	NE
Barium	NE
Boron	NE
Boron (in Boral)	NE
Boron (non-Boral)	NE
Cadmium	TR
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	NE
EEE Type 2	NE
EEE Type 3	NE
EEE Type 4	0
EEE Type 5	0

Complexing	agents (%wt):	Not yet determined		
			(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
	EDTA		0	
	DPTA		0	
	NTA		0	
NTA Polycarboxyl	Polycarboxylic a	cids	0	
	Other organic co	mplexants	TR	Trace amounts of decontamination agents may be present.
	Total complexing	g agents	NE	
Potential for contain discr		No.		

## TREATMENT, PACKAGING AND DISPOSAL

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

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

Uncompacted drums will be supercompacted before being placed in HHISOs. The waste will be encapsulated before final disposal.

## **Disposal Routes:**

Disposal Route	Stream volume %	Disposal density t/m3
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	NE

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 Roule	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25		
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Opportunities for alternative disposal routing: No

Estimated

Baseline Opportunity Stream Date that O

Baseline Opportunity Stream Opportunity Opportunity Confidence Comment

Management Route Management Route volume (%) will be realised Comment

#### 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 1/2 Height IP-2 Disposal/Re-usable ISO 2m box (no shielding) 4m box (no shielding) Other	100.0	15.6	4

Other information: Waste in 200 litre drums will be supercompacted on the Dounreay site before

loading in a HHISO container for grouting & disposal to the Dounreay LLW

Facility.

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 activity has arisen from activation and contamination of reactor components.

Uncertainty: This is based on the best current available information.

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:

Activities for future arising are based on the average activities calculated from historical

waste consignments.

Other information:

	N	lean radioac	tivity, TBq/m³		Mean radioactivity, TBq/m³				
Nuclide		Bands and	Future	Bands and	Nuclide	Waste at	Bands and	Future	Bands and
H 3	1.4.2022 6.63E-07	Code D 3	arisings <7.2E-07	Code D 3	Gd 153	1.4.2022	Code	arisings	Code
Be 10	0.03⊑-07	DЗ	<1.2E-01	DЗ	Ho 163				
C 14	3.96E-05	D 3	<3.96E-05	D 3	Ho 166m				
Na 22	3.90L-03	D 3	<3.90L-03	Ъ 3	Tm 170				
Al 26					Tm 171				
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	1.37E-03	D 3	<1.96E-03	D 3	Pb 210				
Co 60	3.98E-03	D 3	<4.82E-03	D 3	Bi 208				
Ni 59					Bi 210m				
Ni 63	3.74E-04	D 3	<3.78E-04	D 3	Po 210				
Zn 65					Ra 223				
Se 79					Ra 225				
Kr 81					Ra 226				
Kr 85					Ra 228				
Rb 87					Ac 227				
Sr 90					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					Pa 233				
Tc 97 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				
Sn 123					Pu 239				
Sn 126					Pu 240				
Sb 125	1				Pu 241				
Sb 126	1				Pu 242				
Te 125m					Am 241				
Te 127m					Am 242m				
I 129	1				Am 243				
Cs 134					Cm 242				
Cs 135					Cm 243				
Cs 137					Cm 244 Cm 245				
Ba 133					Cm 245 Cm 246				
La 137 La 138					Cm 248				
Ce 144	1				Cff 249				
Pm 145					Cf 250				
Pm 147					Cf 251				
Sm 147					Cf 252				
Sm 151					Other a				
Eu 152					Other b/g				
Eu 154					Total a	0		О	
Eu 155					Total b/g	5.77E-03	D 3	7.20E-03	D 3
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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