

## **WASTE STREAM**

9A66

## **Miscellaneous Contaminated Items from Post Irradiation Examination**

<b>SITE</b>	Berkeley	
<b>SITE OWNER</b>	Nuclear Decommissioning Authority	
<b>WASTE CUSTODIAN</b>	Magnox Limited	
<b>WASTE TYPE</b>	ILW	
Is the waste subject to Scottish Policy:	No	
<b>WASTE VOLUMES</b>	Reported	
Stocks:	At 1.4.2022.....	0.1 m <sup>3</sup>
Total future arisings:		0 m <sup>3</sup>
Total waste volume:		0.1 m <sup>3</sup>
Comment on volumes:	The waste was accumulated in 1971. There will be no further arisings of this waste stream.	
Uncertainty factors on volumes:	Stock (upper): x 1.1 Stock (lower): x 0.9	Arisings (upper) x Arisings (lower) x
<b>WASTE SOURCE</b>	The waste is miscellaneous contaminated items arising at Berkeley Nuclear Laboratories (now Berkeley Technology Centre) from the examination of irradiated fuel, steel and graphite.	

## **PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

General description:	The waste is miscellaneous contaminated combustible waste including tissues and paper contained in a thin walled mild steel black can liner of nominal length 1.219m and nominal diameter 0.343m. There are no large items that may require special handling.
Physical components (%vol):	The waste consists of ~90% ferrous metals, ~5% paper/cotton and ~ 5% plastics
Sealed sources:	The waste does not contain sealed sources.
Bulk density (t/m <sup>3</sup> ):	0.44
Comment on density:	Calculated using mass of container and external volume.

## CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

General description and components (%wt):	The waste includes mild steel, paper and other materials.
Chemical state:	Neutral
Chemical form of radionuclides:	H-3: Most tritium is expected to be present as water but some may be in the form of other inorganic compounds or as organic compounds. C-14: Chemical form of carbon 14 has not been determined but may be graphite. Cl-36: The chemical form of chlorine 36 in these wastes is not known. U: Chemical form of uranium isotopes has not been determined but may be uranium oxides. Pu: Chemical form of plutonium isotopes has not been determined but may be plutonium oxides.
Metals and alloys (%wt):	The only metal present will be the thin walled mild steel black can liner.

	(%wt)	Type(s) / Grade(s) with proportions	% of total C14 activity
Stainless steel.....	0		
Other ferrous metals.....	~90.0		
Iron.....			
Aluminium.....	0		
Beryllium.....	NE		
Cobalt.....			
Copper.....	0		
Lead.....	0		

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Magnox/Magnesium.....	0	
Nickel.....		
Titanium.....		
Uranium.....		
Zinc.....	0	
Zircaloy/Zirconium.....	0	
Other metals.....	0	No other metals are anticipated.

Organics (%wt):      The waste is in the same vault section as the ion exchange materials, so there may be trace contamination with Lewatit DN.

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Total cellulosics.....	NE		
Paper, cotton.....	~5.0		
Wood.....	NE		
Halogenated plastics .....	NE		
Total non-halogenated plastics....	~0		
Condensation polymers.....	NE		
Others.....	NE		
Organic ion exchange materials....	TR		
Total rubber.....	NE		
Halogenated rubber .....	NE		
Non-halogenated rubber.....	NE		
Hydrocarbons.....			
Oil or grease .....			
Fuel.....			
Asphalt/Tarmac (cont.coal tar)...			
Asphalt/Tarmac (no coal tar)....			
Bitumen.....			
Others.....			
Other organics.....	NE		

Other materials (%wt):      -

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Inorganic ion exchange materials..	TR		
Inorganic sludges and flocs.....	0		
Soil.....	0		
Brick/Stone/Rubble.....	0		
Cementitious material.....	0		
Sand.....			
Glass/Ceramics.....	0		
Graphite.....	NE		
Desiccants/Catalysts.....			
Asbestos.....	0		
Non/low friable.....			

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Moderately friable.....	
Highly friable.....	
Free aqueous liquids.....	0
Free non-aqueous liquids.....	NE
Powder/Ash.....	0

Inorganic anions (%wt): Anions will probably not be present at concentrations greater than about 1% wt.

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Fluoride.....	0	
Chloride.....	NE	
Iodide.....	0	
Cyanide.....	0	
Carbonate.....	NE	
Nitrate.....	NE	
Nitrite.....	NE	
Phosphate.....	NE	
Sulphate.....	NE	
Sulphide.....	0	

Materials of interest for waste acceptance criteria: Trace quantities of magnox and uranium hydride might be present.

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Combustible metals.....	TR	
Low flash point liquids.....	0	
Explosive materials.....	0	
Phosphorus.....	0	
Hydrides.....	TR	
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.....	TR	
Higher activity particles.....		
Soluble solids as bulk chemical compounds.....		

Hazardous substances / non hazardous pollutants: Toxic metals are not expected to be present but further assessment is needed to confirm this.

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Acrylamide.....		
Benzene.....		
Chlorinated solvents.....		

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Formaldehyde.....  
Organometallics.....  
Phenol.....  
Styrene.....  
Tri-butyl phosphate.....  
Other organophosphates.....  
Vinyl chloride.....  
Arsenic.....  
Barium.....  
Boron..... 0  
    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): Yes

( %wt )      Type(s) and comment

EDTA.....  
DPTA.....  
NTA.....  
Polycarboxylic acids.....  
Other organic complexants.....      Organic complexing agents may be present in small quantities.  
Total complexing agents..... <1.0

Potential for the waste to contain discrete items: Yes. In &amp; of itself not a DI; waste stream may include DIs (notably any stainless steel components)

**PACKAGING AND CONDITIONING**

Conditioning method: This stream will be co-packaged with 9A25, 9A31, 9A39, 9A47, 9A52, and 9A60 in Type VI DCIC containers. Remainder of vault 1 waste streams will be co-packaged together in Concrete boxes (9A61, 9A62, 9A67, 9A32, 9A40, 9A48, 9A53, 9A73) Packages for vault 1 are assigned to 9A25, 9A32 & 9A73.

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Plant Name: -  
 Location: Berkeley Site  
 Plant startup date: -  
 Total capacity (m<sup>3</sup>/y incoming waste): -  
 Target start date for packaging this stream: -  
 Throughput for this stream (m<sup>3</sup>/y incoming waste): -  
 Other information: -

Likely container type:	Container	Waste packaged (%vol)	Waste loading (m <sup>3</sup> )	Payload (m <sup>3</sup> )	Number of packages

Likely container type comment: -  
 Range in container waste volume: -  
 Other information on containers: -  
 Likely conditioning matrix:  
 Other information:  
 Conditioned density (t/m<sup>3</sup>): -  
 Conditioned density comment:  
 Other information on conditioning: -  
 Opportunities for alternative disposal routing: -

Baseline Management Route	Opportunity Management Route	Stream volume (%)	Estimated Date that Opportunity will be realised	Opportunity Confidence	Comment
-	-	-	-	-	-

**RADIOACTIVITY**

Source: The waste has become contaminated from the processes concerned with the examination of irradiated fuel, steel and graphite at Berkeley Nuclear Laboratories (now Berkeley Technology Centre).  
 Uncertainty: The values quoted are indicative of the expected activities.  
 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 activities were derived by estimation based upon available information.  
 Other information: Specific activity is a function of operating history.

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Nuclide	Mean radioactivity, TBq/m³				Nuclide	Mean radioactivity, TBq/m³			
	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	8.63E-04	CC 2			Gd 153		8		
Be 10			8		Ho 163		8		
C 14	9.99E-06	CC 2			Ho 166m		8		
Na 22			8		Tm 170		8		
Al 26			8		Tm 171		8		
Cl 36	7E-07	CC 2			Lu 174		8		
Ar 39			8		Lu 176		8		
Ar 42			8		Hf 178n		8		
K 40			8		Hf 182		8		
Ca 41			8		Pt 193		8		
Mn 53			8		Tl 204		8		
Mn 54			8		Pb 205		8		
Fe 55	8.74E-07	CC 2			Pb 210		8		
Co 60	2.79E-05	CC 2			Bi 208		8		
Ni 59	1E-06	CC 2			Bi 210m		8		
Ni 63	7.21E-05	CC 2			Po 210		8		
Zn 65			8		Ra 223		8		
Se 79	1.21E-08	CC 2			Ra 225		8		
Kr 81			8		Ra 226		8		
Kr 85			8		Ra 228		8		
Rb 87			8		Ac 227		8		
Sr 90	4.89E-03	CC 2			Th 227		8		
Zr 93	6E-07	CC 2			Th 228		8		
Nb 91			8		Th 229		8		
Nb 92			8		Th 230		8		
Nb 93m	3.85E-07	CC 2			Th 232		8		
Nb 94			8		Th 234	3E-07	CC 2		
Mo 93			8		Pa 231		8		
Tc 97			8		Pa 233	4.16E-08	CC 2		
Tc 99	3E-06	CC 2			U 232		8		
Ru 106			8		U 233		8		
Pd 107			8		U 234	3.09E-07	CC 2		
Ag 108m	<2.94E-06	C 3			U 235	7E-09	CC 2		
Ag 110m			8		U 236	4.00E-08	CC 2		
Cd 109			8		U 238	3E-07	CC 2		
Cd 113m			8		Np 237	4.16E-08	CC 2		
Sn 119m			8		Pu 236		8		
Sn 121m			8		Pu 238	1.78E-04	CC 2		
Sn 123			8		Pu 239	1.00E-04	CC 2		
Sn 126	4.35E-08	CC 2			Pu 240	2.00E-04	CC 2		
Sb 125			8		Pu 241	1.46E-03	CC 2		
Sb 126	6.09E-09	CC 2			Pu 242	1E-07	CC 2		
Te 125m			8		Am 241	3.44E-04	CC 2		
Te 127m			8		Am 242m	8.36E-07	CC 2		
I 129	6E-09	CC 2			Am 243	3.00E-07	CC 2		
Cs 134			8		Cm 242	6.90E-07	CC 2		
Cs 135	1E-07	CC 2			Cm 243	1.41E-07	CC 2		
Cs 137	4.95E-03	CC 2			Cm 244	1.13E-06	CC 2		
Ba 133			8		Cm 245		8		
La 137			8		Cm 246		8		
La 138			8		Cm 248		8		
Ce 144			8		Cf 249		8		
Pm 145			8		Cf 250		8		
Pm 147	3.81E-08	CC 2			Cf 251		8		
Sm 147			8		Cf 252		8		
Sm 151	1.78E-05	CC 2			Other a				
Eu 152	9.19E-08	CC 2			Other b/g				
Eu 154	5.95E-06	CC 2			Total a	8.24E-04	CC 2	0	
Eu 155	2.38E-07	CC 2			Total b/g	1.23E-02	CC 2	0	

**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