

WASTE STREAM

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Contaminated Gravel and Sand

SITE	Hinkley Point A
SITE OWNER	Nuclear Decommissioning Authority
WASTE CUSTODIAN	Magnox Limited
WASTE TYPE	ILW
Is the waste subject to Scottish Policy:	No

WASTE VOLUMES

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Stocks:	At 1.4.2022.....	3.0 m ³
Total future arisings:		0 m ³
Total waste volume:		3.0 m ³
Comment on volumes:	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
WASTE SOURCE	The waste results from a failed in service sand pressure filter from the sludge canning building.	

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

General description:	The waste is the sand and gravel contents of a scrapped sand pressure filter held in a concrete cell. There are no large items. A camera inspection found the sand layer gone but sand is expected in the gravel layer.
Physical components (%vol):	Gravel 67%, Sand 32%.
Sealed sources:	The waste does not contain sealed sources.
Bulk density (t/m ³):	~2.6
Comment on density:	The density varies between 2.5 - 2.7 t/m ³ . This value needs to be reassessed.

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

General description and components (%wt):	Gravel (67%) and Sand (32%). Fission products will be present as contaminants.
Chemical state:	Neutral
Chemical form of radionuclides:	H-3: The chemical form of tritium has not been assessed. C-14: The chemical form of carbon 14 has not been assessed. Cl-36: The chemical form of chlorine 36 has not been assessed. Se-79: The chemical form of selenium has not been determined. Tc-99: The chemical form of technetium has not been determined. Ra: Radium isotopes content is insignificant. Th: The thorium isotope content is insignificant. U: The chemical form of uranium isotopes has not been determined but may be uranium oxides. Np: The chemical form of neptunium has not been determined. Pu: The chemical form of plutonium isotopes has not been determined but may be plutonium oxides.
Metals and alloys (%wt):	Only traces of metals will be present if at all.

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

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Copper.....	TR
Lead.....	TR
Magnox/Magnesium.....	TR
Nickel.....	
Titanium.....	
Uranium.....	
Zinc.....	TR
Zircaloy/Zirconium.....	TR
Other metals.....	TR Not fully assessed.

Organics (%wt): There may be traces of oil and grease. The presence of halogenated plastics and rubbers has not been fully assessed.

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Total cellulosics.....	NE		
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.....			
Oil or grease	NE		
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.....	67.0	gravel	
Cementitious material.....	0		
Sand.....	32.0	sand	
Glass/Ceramics.....	0		
Graphite.....	TR		
Desiccants/Catalysts.....			

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Asbestos..... 0

Non/low friable.....

Moderately friable.....

Highly friable.....

Free aqueous liquids..... TR

Free non-aqueous liquids..... 0

Powder/Ash..... P

Inorganic anions (%wt): Not fully assessed.

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

Materials of interest for
waste acceptance criteria: No materials likely to pose a fire or other non-radiological hazard have been identified.

	(%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.....		
Soluble solids as bulk chemical compounds.....		

Hazardous substances /
non hazardous pollutants: None expected

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Acrylamide.....		

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Benzene.....
Chlorinated solvents.....
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.....
Total complexing agents..... TR

Potential for the waste to contain discrete items: No. In & of itself not a DI; assumed not likely to contain any "rogue" items that could be.

PACKAGING AND CONDITIONING

Conditioning method: Cement encapsulation into 3m3 box using PCF external mixer
Plant Name: -

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Location:

Plant startup date: 2028

Total capacity
(m³/y incoming waste): -Target start date for
packaging this stream: 2029Throughput for this stream
(m³/y incoming waste): -

Other information: -

Likely container type:	Container	Waste packaged (%vol)	Waste loading (m ³)	Payload (m ³)	Number of packages
	3m ³ box (round corners)	100.0	1.5	2.9	2

Likely container type
comment: -Range in container waste
volume: -Other information on
containers: -

Likely conditioning matrix: Not specified

Other information: -

Conditioned density (t/m³): -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: Contamination from the filtration of fuel pond water.

Uncertainty: The values quoted are indicative of the activities that might be expected.

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 have been estimated from available data.

Other information: Specific activity is a function of Station operating history. This is an initial assessment of activities and is only approximate.

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	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	4.90E-06	DD 2			Gd 153		8		
Be 10			8		Ho 163		8		
C 14	1.71E-06	DD 2			Ho 166m		8		
Na 22			8		Tm 170		8		
Al 26			8		Tm 171		8		
Cl 36	6.52E-07	DD 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		Pb 210		8		
Co 60	1.32E-06	DD 2			Bi 208		8		
Ni 59			8		Bi 210m		8		
Ni 63	4.14E-06	DD 2			Po 210		8		
Zn 65			8		Ra 223		8		
Se 79			8		Ra 225		8		
Kr 81			8		Ra 226		8		
Kr 85			8		Ra 228		8		
Rb 87			8		Ac 227		8		
Sr 90	4.36E-02	DD 2			Th 227		8		
Zr 93			8		Th 228		8		
Nb 91			8		Th 229		8		
Nb 92			8		Th 230		8		
Nb 93m			8		Th 232		8		
Nb 94			8		Th 234	6.6E-07	DD 2		
Mo 93			8		Pa 231		8		
Tc 97	9.65E-07	DD 2			Pa 233	2.17E-09	DD 8		
Ru 106			8		U 232		8		
Pd 107			8		U 233		8		
Ag 108m			8		U 234	9.12E-07	DD 2		
Ag 110m			8		U 235	2.64E-09	DD 2		
Cd 109			8		U 236	1.40E-08	DD 2		
Cd 113m			8		U 238	6.6E-07	DD 2		
Sn 119m			8		Np 237	2.21E-09	8		
Sn 121m			8		Pu 236		8		
Sn 123			8		Pu 238	1.45E-04	DD 2		
Sn 126			8		Pu 239	2.4E-04	DD 2		
Sb 125			8		Pu 240	3.18E-04	DD 2		
Sb 126			8		Pu 241	5.41E-04	DD 2		
Te 125m			8		Pu 242		8		
Te 127m			8		Am 241	1.14E-03	DD 2		
I 129	9.07E-08	DD 2			Am 242m		8		
Cs 134	1.83E-06	DD 2			Am 243	1.2E-05	DD 2		
Cs 135			8		Cm 242		8		
Cs 137	1.96E-02	DD 2			Cm 243	3.9E-07	DD 2		
Ba 133			8		Cm 244	7.95E-06	DD 2		
La 137			8		Cm 245		8		
La 138			8		Cm 246		8		
Ce 144			8		Cm 248		8		
Pm 145			8		Cf 249		8		
Pm 147			8		Cf 250		8		
Sm 147			8		Cf 251		8		
Sm 151			8		Cf 252		8		
Eu 152			8		Other a				
Eu 154	8.20E-05	DD 2			Other b/g				
Eu 155	7.46E-05	DD 2			Total a	1.86E-03	DD 2	0	
					Total b/g	6.40E-02	DD 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