

WASTE STREAM	2D133	Plutonium Plants Initial/Interim Decommissioning: Stores (PCM)
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SITE Sellafield

SITE OWNER Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

WASTE CUSTODIAN Sellafield Ltd

WASTE TYPE ILW

WASTE VOLUMES

	Reported (m ³)	OR	Conditioned (m ³)	Packaged (m ³)
Stocks:	At 1.4.2025	0		
Future arisings:	1.4.2025 - 31.3.2046	~ 0		
	1.4.2046 - 31.3.2054	~ 546.0		
Total future arisings:		546.0		
Total waste volume:		546.0		

Number of waste packages in stock: At 1.4.2025..... - packages

Comment on arising rates: Arisings are in line with current decommissioning programmes and strategy.

Additional information on quantities: Waste within this waste stream is generated from decommissioning projects which will commence at a future date. As a result of this, minimal characterisation of waste volumes and fingerprints has been carried out and hence there is a large uncertainty in the potential arisings. At this time this uncertainty is not quantified.

Uncertainty factors on volumes: Stock (upper): x - Arisings (upper): x 3.00
Stock (lower): x - Arisings (lower): x 0.70

WASTE SOURCE Dismantling of plutonium product stores and plutonium contaminated material stores.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

General description: Unable to estimate the material breakdown at this stage as there is no data available.

Changes since waste generated: -

Bulk density (t/m³): NE

Comment on density: -

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

General description and components (%wt): Unable to estimate the material breakdown at this stage as there is no data available.

Chemical state: -

Sheet metal proportion / thickness: -

Metals and alloys (%wt):

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

Organics (%wt):

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

Other materials (%wt):

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

COMPONENTS OF MATERIALS, WASTE PROPERTIES, MATERIALS NOT CONTRIBUTING TO MASS

Inorganic anions (%wt):

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

Materials of interest for waste acceptance criteria:

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Combustible metals.....	-	-
Low flash point liquids.....	-	-
Explosive materials.....	-	-
Phosphorus.....	-	-
Hydrides.....	-	-
Biological etc. materials.....	-	-
Biodegradable materials.....	-	-
Putrescible wastes.....	-	-
Non-putrescible wastes.....	-	-
Corrosive materials.....	-	-
Pyrophoric materials.....	-	-
Generating toxic gases.....	-	-
Reacting with water.....	-	-
Higher activity particles.....	-	-
Soluble solids as bulk chemical compounds.....	-	-

Hazardous substances / non hazardous pollutants:

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

Complexing agents (%wt):

No

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

Physical components:

	Number	Type(s) and comment
Sources.....	0	-
Electronic & Electrical Equipment (EEE)		
EEE Type 1.....	NE	-
EEE Type 2.....	NE	-
EEE Type 3.....	NE	-
EEE Type 4.....	NE	-
EEE Type 5.....	NE	-

TREATMENT, PACKAGING AND DISPOSAL

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

Treatment	On-site / Off-site	Stream volume %
Size reduction	On-site	~ 25.0
Decay storage		
Low force compaction		
Supercompaction (HFC)		
Incineration		
Drying/dewatering/liquid separation	On-site	~ 75.0
Tie down/fixatives/strippable coating/painting application		
Decontamination		
Metal treatment		
Recycling / reuse		
Thermal treatment, including vitrification		
Encapsulation		
Polymer encapsulation		
Other physical treatment		
Other chemical treatment		
Containerisation		
Treatment not yet determined		
None		

Comments on planned treatments:

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Conditioning method:

The current conditioning method for this stream is processing through the Waste Treatment Complex (WTC) where 200 litre drums of waste are supercompacted and the pucks loaded into a basket within a 500 litre drum (such that there is a cement annulus between the basket and the drum skin). Replacement WTC facilities are currently projected to use thermal treatment instead, with the product being a 4m box with an internal capacity of 15.6 m³. Once thermally treated, additional drummed waste will be used as top up feed to optimise the waste in the product. Consequently, it will appear as 0 packages in the container types due to the absence of any package creation.

Conditioning plants:	Plant Name	Location
	Waste Treatment Complex 1 (WTC1)	Sellafield
	Waste Treatment Complex 2 (WTC2)	Sellafield

Likely conditioning matrix: -

Further information on the conditioning matrix: -

Waste Packaging:

Likely container type:	Container	Waste packaged (vol%)	Waste loading (m³)	Payload (m³)	Number of packages	Estimated start date for packaging
	500 l drum (basket for waste)	25.0	0.24	0.50	572	-
	4 m box (0 mm concrete shielding)	75.0	0	-	-	-

Range in container waste loading: Between 1 and 9 compacted 200l drums will be put into a 500l drum.

Other information on packaging and conditioning: -

Conditioned density (t/m³): -

Conditioned density comment: The density of the conditioned product will range from 1.5 to 2.6 t/m³ for drums.

Management Routes:

Disposal Route	Stream volume %	Raw density t/m³	Start date
Expected to be consigned to a Near Site, Near Surface Disposal Facility (Scotland)	= 100.0		
Expected to be Non-NSD HAW managed under Scottish Government's policy			
Expected to be disposed to LLW Vaults NRS Dounreay			
Expected to be consigned to the Geological Disposal Facility			
Expected to be consigned to a Near Surface Disposal Facility			
Expected to be consigned to the LLW Repository			
Expected to be consigned to a Landfill Facility			
Expected to be disposed On-Site			
Expected to be managed by In-Situ Disposal			
Expected to be consigned to an Incineration Facility			
Expected to be consigned to a Metal Treatment Facility			
Expected to be Out of Scope			
Expected to be recycled / reused			
Disposal route not known			

Classification codes for waste expected to be consigned to a landfill facility:

Opportunities for alternative disposal routing: Not yet determined

Baseline Management Route	Opportunity Management Route	Stream volume (%)	Opportunity Confidence	Comment
-	-	-	-	-

RADIOACTIVITY

Source: -

Uncertainty: -

Measurement of radioactivities: Specific activity data has not been estimated at this stage as there is no data available.

Chemical form of radionuclides:

- H-3: -
- C-14: -
- Cl-36: -
- Se-79: -
- Tc-99: -
- I-129: -
- Ra: -
- Th: -
- U: -
- Np: -
- Pu: -

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Nuclide	Mean radioactivity, TBq/m³				Nuclide	Mean radioactivity, TBq/m³			
	Waste at 1.4.2025	Bands and Code	Future Arisings	Bands and Code		Waste at 1.4.2025	Bands and Code	Future Arisings	Bands and Code
H 3				8	Gd 153				
Be 10				8	Ho 163				
C 14				8	Ho 166m				
Na 22					Tm 170				
Al 26					Tm 171				
Cl 36				8	Lu 174				
Ar 39					Lu 176				
Ar 42					Hf 178n				
K 40					Hf 182				
Ca 41				8	Pt 193				
Mn 53					Tl 204				
Mn 54				8	Pb 205				8
Fe 55				8	Pb 210				
Co 60				8	Bi 208				
Ni 59				8	Bi 210m				
Ni 63				8	Po 210				8
Zn 65				8	Ra 223				
Se 79				8	Ra 225				
Kr 81					Ra 226				8
Kr 85					Ra 228				
Rb 87					Ac 227				
Sr 90				8	Th 227				
Zr 93				8	Th 228				
Nb 91					Th 229				8
Nb 92					Th 230				8
Nb 93m				8	Th 232				8
Nb 94				8	Th 234				
Mo 93				8	Pa 231				8
Tc 97					Pa 233				
Tc 99				8	U 232				
Ru 106				8	U 233				8
Pd 107				8	U 234				6
Ag 108m				8	U 235				6
Ag 110m					U 236				6
Cd 109					U 238				6
Cd 113m					Np 237				
Sn 119m					Pu 236				
Sn 121m				8	Pu 238				6
Sn 123					Pu 239				6
Sn 126				8	Pu 240				6
Sb 125					Pu 241				6
Sb 126					Pu 242				6
Te 125m					Am 241				6
Te 127m					Am 242m				
I 129				8	Am 243				
Cs 134				8	Cm 242				
Cs 135				8	Cm 243				
Cs 137				8	Cm 244				
Ba 133					Cm 245				
La 137					Cm 246				
La 138					Cm 248				
Ce 144				8	Cf 249				
Pm 145					Cf 250				
Pm 147				8	Cf 251				
Sm 147					Cf 252				
Sm 151				8	Unsp a				
Eu 152				8	Unsp b/g				
Eu 154				8	Total a	0	*	0	*
Eu 155				8	Total b/g	0	*	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 the 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
* Total calculated from the 114 declared radionuclides