

WASTE STREAM	5C47	Organic Wastes
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SITE Harwell

SITE OWNER Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

WASTE CUSTODIAN Nuclear Restoration Services Ltd (NRS)

WASTE TYPE LLW

WASTE VOLUMES

	Reported (m ³)	OR	Conditioned (m ³)	Packaged (m ³)
Stocks:	At 1.4.2025			
Future arisings:	1.4.2025 - 31.3.2028			
Total future arisings:	1.4			
Total waste volume:	4.0			

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

Comment on arising rates: Collection of legacy stored stocks around site.

Additional information on quantities: Waste volumes are uncertain due to unknown arisings once facilities begin decommissioning.

Uncertainty factors on volumes: Stock (upper): x 1.05 Arisings (upper): x 1.05
Stock (lower): x 0.70 Arisings (lower): x 0.50

WASTE SOURCE Organic waste from historic operations

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

General description: Small batches of scintillation liquids, genklene, oils and solvents. There are no large items present in the stream.

Changes since waste generated: Miscellaneous Glovebox & cell operations, scintillant counting and pump oils.

Bulk density (t/m³): = 0.80

Comment on density: -

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

General description and components (%wt): Oil (70.0%), scintillants (12.8%), genklene (15.9%), 30% TBP/OK (1.3%). Scintillants mainly comprise toluene and xylene.

Chemical state: Acid

Sheet metal proportion / thickness: -

Metals and alloys (%wt):

	(%wt)	Type(s) / Grades(s) with proportions	% of total C14 activity
Stainless steel.....	= 0	-	
Other ferrous metals.....	= 0	-	
Iron.....		-	
Aluminium.....	= 0	-	
Beryllium.....		-	
Cobalt.....		-	
Copper.....	0	-	
Lead.....	= 0	-	
Magnox/Magnesium.....	= 0	-	
Nickel.....		-	
Titanium.....		-	
Uranium.....		-	
Zinc.....	= 0	-	
Zircaloy/Zirconium.....	= 0	-	
Other metals.....	= 0	-	

Organics (%wt):

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Total cellulose.....	NE	-	
Paper, cotton.....		-	
Wood.....		-	
Halogenated plastics.....	= 0	-	
Total non-halogenated plastics.....	= 0	-	
Condensation polymers.....	= 0	-	
Others.....	= 0	-	
Organic ion exchange materials.....	= 0	-	
Total rubber.....	= 0	-	
Halogenated rubber.....	= 0	-	
Non-halogenated rubber.....	= 0	-	
Hydrocarbons.....	= 70.0	-	
Oil or grease.....	= 70.0	-	
Fuel.....		-	
Asphalt/Tarmac (cont.coal tar).....		-	
Asphalt/Tarmac (no coal tar).....		-	
Bitumen.....		-	
Others.....		-	
Other organics.....	= 0	-	

Other materials (%wt):

	(%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.....		-	
Glass/Ceramics.....	= 0	-	
Graphite.....	= 0	-	
Desiccants/Catalysts.....		-	
Asbestos.....	= 0	-	
Non/low friable.....		-	
Moderately friable.....		-	
Highly friable.....		-	
Free aqueous liquids.....	= 0	-	
Free non-aqueous liquids.....	= 30.0	scintillants (12.8%), genklene (15.9%), 30% TBP/OK (1.3%). Scintillants mainly comprise toluene and xylene.	
Powder/Ash.....	= 0	-	

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

Inorganic anions (%wt):

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Fluoride.....	= 0	-
Chloride.....	= 0	-
Iodide.....	= 0	-
Cyanide.....	= 0	-
Carbonate.....	= 0	-
Nitrate.....	= 0	-
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.....	= 10.0	-
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:

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	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Acrylamide.....	0	-
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):

Yes

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
EDTA.....	= 0.40	-
DPTA.....		-
NTA.....		-
Polycarboxylic acids.....		-
Other organic complexants.....		-
Total complexing agents.....	= 0.40	TBP is present in one package (0.4 wt%). Complexing agents may be present at trace levels in some other packages.

Physical components:

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

TREATMENT, PACKAGING AND DISPOSAL

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

Treatment	On-site / Off-site	Stream volume %
Size reduction Decay storage Low force compaction Supercompaction (HFC) Incineration Drying/dewatering/liquid separation 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	Off-site	= 100.0

Comments on planned treatments:

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Conditioning method:

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Conditioning plants:

Plant Name	Location

Likely conditioning matrix:

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Further information on the conditioning matrix:

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Waste Packaging:

Likely container type:	Container	Waste packaged (vol%)	Waste loading (m³)	Payload (m³)	Number of packages	Estimated start date for packaging
	-	-	-	-	-	-

Range in container waste loading: -

Other information on packaging and conditioning: -

Conditioned density (t/m³): -

Conditioned density comment: -

Management Routes:

Disposal Route	Stream volume %	Raw density t/m ³	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		0.80	
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: No

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

RADIOACTIVITY

Source: Solvents contaminated from variety of operations on Harwell site, particularly H-3 from scintillation counting.

Uncertainty: Initial estimates are given. Further analysis will be performed prior to disposal.

Measurement of radioactivities: -

Chemical form of radionuclides:

H-3: -

C-14: C-14 is associated with organic liquors.

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	2.51E-04	B B 2	2.51E-04	B B 2	Gd 153		8		8
Be 10		8		8	Ho 163		8		8
C 14	1.00E-06	B B 2	1.00E-06	B B 2	Ho 166m		8		8
Na 22		8		8	Tm 170		8		8
Al 26		8		8	Tm 171		8		8
Cl 36	7.90E-09	B B 2	7.90E-09	B B 2	Lu 174		8		8
Ar 39		8		8	Lu 176		8		8
Ar 42		8		8	Hf 178n		8		8
K 40		8		8	Hf 182		8		8
Ca 41		8		8	Pt 193		8		8
Mn 53		8		8	Tl 204		8		8
Mn 54		8		8	Pb 205		8		8
Fe 55		8		8	Pb 210		8		8
Co 60		8		8	Bi 208		8		8
Ni 59		8		8	Bi 210m		8		8
Ni 63		8		8	Po 210		8		8
Zn 65		8		8	Ra 223		8		8
Se 79		8		8	Ra 225		8		8
Kr 81		8		8	Ra 226		8		8
Kr 85		8		8	Ra 228		8		8
Rb 87		8		8	Ac 227		8		8
Sr 90		8		8	Th 227		8		8
Zr 93		8		8	Th 228		8		8
Nb 91		8		8	Th 229		8		8
Nb 92		8		8	Th 230		8		8
Nb 93m		8		8	Th 232		8		8
Nb 94		8		8	Th 234	2.80E-06	B B 2	2.80E-06	B B 2
Mo 93		8		8	Pa 231		8		8
Tc 97		8		8	Pa 233		8		8
Tc 99		8		8	U 232		8		8
Ru 106		8		8	U 233		8		8
Pd 107		8		8	U 234	1.50E-06	B B 2	1.50E-06	B B 2
Ag 108m		8		8	U 235	8.90E-08	B B 2	8.90E-08	B B 2
Ag 110m		8		8	U 236		8		8
Cd 109		8		8	U 238	2.80E-06	B B 2	2.80E-06	B B 2
Cd 113m		8		8	Np 237		8		8
Sn 119m		8		8	Pu 236		8		8
Sn 121m		8		8	Pu 238	1.78E-08	B B 2	1.78E-08	B B 2
Sn 123		8		8	Pu 239	3.00E-08	B B 2	3.00E-08	B B 2
Sn 126		8		8	Pu 240	2.30E-08	B B 2	2.30E-08	B B 2
Sb 125		8		8	Pu 241	6.55E-07	B B 2	6.55E-07	B B 2
Sb 126		8		8	Pu 242		8		8
Te 125m		8		8	Am 241	6.64E-08	B B 2	6.64E-08	B B 2
Te 127m		8		8	Am 242m		8		8
I 129		8		8	Am 243		8		8
Cs 134		8		8	Cm 242		8		8
Cs 135		8		8	Cm 243		8		8
Cs 137		8		8	Cm 244		8		8
Ba 133		8		8	Cm 245		8		8
La 137		8		8	Cm 246		8		8
La 138		8		8	Cm 248		8		8
Ce 144		8		8	Cf 249		8		8
Pm 145		8		8	Cf 250		8		8
Pm 147		8		8	Cf 251		8		8
Sm 147		8		8	Cf 252		8		8
Sm 151		8		8	Unsp a				
Eu 152		8		8	Unsp b/g				
Eu 154		8		8	Total a	4.53E-06	*	4.53E-06	*
Eu 155		8		8	Total b/g	2.55E-04	*	2.55E-04	*

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