

WASTE STREAM	9J03	Ion Exchange Resins
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SITE Hunterston A

SITE OWNER Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

WASTE CUSTODIAN Nuclear Restoration Services Ltd (NRS)

WASTE TYPE ILW

WASTE VOLUMES

	Reported (m ³)	OR	Conditioned (m ³)	Packaged (m ³)
Stocks:	At 1.4.2025	= 0.1		
Future arisings:				
Total future arisings:		0.0		
Total waste volume:		0.1		

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

Comment on arising rates: -

Additional information on quantities: No future arisings are expected.

Uncertainty factors on volumes: Stock (upper): x 1.20 Arisings (upper): x -
Stock (lower): x 0.80 Arisings (lower): x -

WASTE SOURCE Pond water treatment plant.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

General description: The waste consists of ion exchange resin types Lewatit DN (in a granular form) and IRN-74. The resin is stored under water. There are no large items that require special handling.

Changes since waste generated: -

Bulk density (t/m³): ~ 1.1

Comment on density: The density of the waste is approximately 1.06 t/m³. This assumes some mixing of resin and water.

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

General description and components (%wt): Lewatit DN - phenolsulphonic acid - formaldehyde condensate, strong cation resin (82%) and IRN-74 - methylene sulphonic acid (18%). There is interstitial and supernatant water.

Chemical state: Alkali

Sheet metal proportion / thickness: There is no sheet metal.

Metals and alloys (%wt):

	(%wt)	Type(s) / Grades(s) with proportions	% of total C14 activity
Stainless steel.....	= 0	-	
Other ferrous metals.....	TR	-	
Iron.....		-	
Aluminium.....	TR	-	
Beryllium.....	0	-	
Cobalt.....		-	
Copper.....	TR	-	
Lead.....	= 0	-	
Magnox/Magnesium.....	TR	-	
Nickel.....		-	
Titanium.....		-	
Uranium.....		-	
Zinc.....	TR	-	
Zircaloy/Zirconium.....	= 0	-	
Other metals.....	TR	Possibly trace amounts of nickel, molybdenum, sodium, calcium and potassium.	

Organics (%wt):

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment	% of total C14 activity
Total cellulose...	= 0	-	100.0
Paper, cotton...	= 0	-	
Wood...	= 0	-	
Halogenated plastics...	= 0	-	
Total non-halogenated plastics...	= 0	-	
Condensation polymers...	= 0	-	
Others...	= 0	-	
Organic ion exchange materials...	= 100.0	Lewatit DN - phenolsulphonic acid - formaldehyde condensate, strong cation resin (82% wt) and IRN-74 - methylene sulphonic acid (18% wt).	
Total rubber...	= 0	-	
Halogenated rubber...	= 0	-	
Non-halogenated rubber...	= 0	-	
Hydrocarbons...	-	-	
Oil or grease...	-	-	
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...	NE	-	
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...	P	-	
Free non-aqueous liquids...	= 0	-	
Powder/Ash...	= 0	-	

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

Inorganic anions (%wt):

	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
Fluoride...	TR	-
Chloride...	~ 0.01	-
Iodide...	= 0	-
Cyanide...	= 0	-
Carbonate...	= 0	-
Nitrate...	TR	-
Nitrite...	TR	-
Phosphate...	= 0	-
Sulphate...	TR	-
Sulphide...	= 0	-

Materials of interest for waste acceptance criteria:

	(%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:

	(%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):

No		
	(%wt)	Type(s) and comment
EDTA.....	= 0	-
DPTA.....		-
NTA.....		-
Polycarboxylic acids.....		-
Other organic complexants.....		-
Total complexing agents.....		-

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	On-site	100.0
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		

Comments on planned treatments:

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Conditioning method:

The tank will be fluidised and waste recovered in one campaign. Resins will be mixed with the sludge stream 9J33, remaining containers are accounted for under 9J33. Resins will be encapsulated in a cement grout. Supercompaction will not be used.

Conditioning plants:

Plant Name	Location

Likely conditioning matrix:

Unknown

Further information on the conditioning matrix:

The waste is expected to be encapsulated in a modified Portland cement.

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: No significant variability is expected.

Other information on packaging and conditioning: The container material is expected to be stainless steel. Wet ILW recovery and encapsulation plant used to condition Waste.

Conditioned density (t/m³): ~ 1.8
 Conditioned density comment: The conditioned density range is expected to be approximately 1.6 to 1.9 t/m3.

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)			
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: No

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

RADIOACTIVITY

Source: The waste arises from the removal of caesium isotopes from cooling pond water. Contamination by fission products, actinides and activation products.

Uncertainty: Specific activity is a function of Station operating history. The values quoted are indicative of the activities that might be expected.

Measurement of radioactivities: Activities have been estimated.

Chemical form of radionuclides:

H-3: The chemical form of tritium has not been determined but may be present as water or as other inorganic or organic compounds.

C-14: The chemical form of carbon 14 has not been determined.

Cl-36: The chemical form of chlorine 36 has not been determined.

Se-79: The chemical form of selenium has not been determined.

Tc-99: The chemical form of technetium has not been determined.

I-129: -

Ra: The radium isotope content is insignificant.

Th: The thorium isotope content is insignificant.

U: The chemical form of uranium isotopes has not been determined but may be present as 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 present as plutonium oxides.

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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	1.39E-06	C C 1	8		Gd 153		8		
Be 10		8			Ho 163	1.65E-09	C C 2		
C 14	2.06E-06	C C 1			Ho 166m	5.04E-07	C C 2		
Na 22		8			Tm 170		8		
Al 26		8			Tm 171		8		
Cl 36	1.13E-07	C C 1			Lu 174		8		
Ar 39	5.44E-08	C C 2			Lu 176		8		
Ar 42		8			Hf 178n	4.05E-07	C C 2		
K 40		8			Hf 182		8		
Ca 41	6.07E-07	C C 1			Pt 193	4.86E-09	C C 2		
Mn 53		8			Tl 204	6.94E-09	C C 2		
Mn 54		8			Pb 205		8		
Fe 55	1.18E-06	C C 1			Pb 210		8		
Co 60	1.38E-06	C C 1			Bi 208		8		
Ni 59	2.69E-08	C C 1			Bi 210m		8		
Ni 63	7.09E-06	C C 1			Po 210		8		
Zn 65		8			Ra 223		8		
Se 79	1.90E-09	C C 2			Ra 225		8		
Kr 81		8			Ra 226		8		
Kr 85	2.27E-05	C C 2			Ra 228		8		
Rb 87		8			Ac 227		8		
Sr 90	4.79E-02	C C 1			Th 227		8		
Zr 93	9.11E-08	C C 2			Th 228		8		
Nb 91		8			Th 229		8		
Nb 92		8			Th 230		8		
Nb 93m	1.53E-07	C C 2			Th 232		8		
Nb 94	2.23E-08	C C 2			Th 234	7.53E-08	C C 2		
Mo 93	1.31E-09	C C 2			Pa 231		8		
Tc 97		8			Pa 233	1.16E-08	C C 2		
Tc 99	1.02E-04	C C 1			U 232		8		
Ru 106		8			U 233		8		
Pd 107	6.40E-09	C C 2			U 234	2.31E-07	C C 1		
Ag 108m	7.81E-09	C C 2			U 235	2.41E-08	C C 1		
Ag 110m		8			U 236	8.91E-08	C C 2		
Cd 109		8			U 238	7.53E-08	C C 1		
Cd 113m	1.37E-07	C C 2			Np 237	1.17E-08	C C 2		
Sn 119m		8			Pu 236		8		
Sn 121m	8.36E-07	C C 2			Pu 238	9.12E-05	C C 1		
Sn 123		8			Pu 239	4.55E-05	C C 1		
Sn 126	2.18E-08	C C 2			Pu 240	4.54E-05	C C 1		
Sb 125	4.34E-09	C C 2		Pu 241	2.10E-02	C C 1			
Sb 126	3.05E-09	C C 2		Pu 242	6.85E-08	C C 2			
Te 125m	1.09E-09	C C 2		Am 241	1.17E-03	C C 1			
Te 127m		8		Am 242m	2.03E-07	C C 2			
I 129	1.76E-08	C C 1		Am 243	2.55E-07	C C 2			
Cs 134	3.40E-07	C C 1		Cm 242	1.67E-07	C C 1			
Cs 135	1.29E-05	C C 2		Cm 243	1.47E-05	C C 1			
Cs 137	9.32E-01	C C 1		Cm 244	1.61E-04	C C 1			
Ba 133	6.29E-09	C C 2		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	9.95E-08	C C 1		Cf 251		8			
Sm 147		8		Cf 252		8			
Sm 151	5.20E-05	C C 1		Unsp a					
Eu 152	4.68E-09	C C 2		Unsp b/g					
Eu 154	9.37E-06	C C 1		Total a	1.53E-03	*	0	*	
Eu 155	1.15E-05	C C 1		Total b/g	1.00E+00	*	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