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## Chapter 1. Purpose and Scope of the Compliance Plan Volume

For each facility at which the United States (U.S.) Department of Energy (DOE) generates or stores mixed wastes, Section 3021(b) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 42 U.S.C. 6721, as added by Section 105(a) of the Federal Facility Compliance Act (P. L. 102-386, the FFCAct), requires DOE to devise a plan for developing treatment capacities and technologies to treat mixed waste. Upon submission of a plan to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC), the FFCAct requires SCDHEC to solicit and consider public comments, and approve, approve with modification, or disapprove the plan, within six months. The agency is to consult with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and any state in which a facility affected by the plan is located. Upon approval of a plan, SCDHEC shall issue an order requiring compliance with the approved plan (Order).

The U. S. Department of Energy, Savannah River Operations Office (DOE-SR), has prepared the Site Treatment Plan (STP) for Savannah River Site (SRS) mixed wastes in accordance with RCRA Section 3021(b), and SCDHEC has approved the STP (except for certain offsite wastes) and issued an order enforcing the STP commitments in Volume I. DOE-SR and SCDHEC agree that this STP fulfills the requirements contained in the FFCAct, RCRA Section 3021, and, therefore, pursuant to Section 105(a) of the FFCAct (RCRA Section 3021(b)(5)), DOE's requirements are to implement the plan for the development of treatment capacities and technologies pursuant to RCRA Section 3021.

Emerging and new technologies not yet considered may be identified to manage waste more safely, effectively, and at lower cost than technologies currently identified in the plan. DOE will continue to evaluate and develop technologies that offer potential advantages in public acceptance, privatization, consolidation, risk abatement, performance, and life-cycle cost. Should technologies that offer such advantages be identified, DOE may request a revision/modification of the STP in accordance with the provisions of Consent Order 95-22-HW.

The *Compliance Plan Volume* (Volume I) identifies project activity schedule milestones for achieving compliance with Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR). Information regarding the technical evaluation of treatment options for SRS mixed wastes is contained in the *Background Volume* (Volume II) and is provided for information.

Changes to the STP will be made in accordance with the provisions of Consent Order 95-22-HW.

Table 1.1 is a user's guide that is provided as an aid in reviewing waste stream information in the STP. The table provides the status of each waste stream, the preferred treatment option (PO), and the primary location(s) of the waste streams in Volume I and II of the STP. Waste streams that have been eliminated, combined, are in compliance, or will be in compliance by April 30, 2002, do not appear in Volume I other than this table.

In 1995, DOE Headquarters expanded the scope of the master complex-wide database used to maintain mixed waste inventory data and to generate the 1995 Mixed Waste Inventory Report (MWIR). Non-mixed TRU data was incorporated into the database, which was re-named as the Material Inventory and Tracking Information (MITI) database. With the expansion of the database, certain non-mixed TRU waste streams were assigned waste stream numbers SR-W074 through SR-W076. Maintenance of the database on a complex-wide basis was discontinued after fiscal year 1996. Waste stream numbers for future SRS mixed waste streams are expected to remain sequential.

**Table 1.1 User's Guide to Chapters 3, 4, and 5**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Volume I Section Identification</b>	<b>Volume II Section Identification</b>	<b>Waste Stream Status</b>
SR-W001	Rad-Contaminated Solvents	Combustion at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W002	Rad-Contaminated Chlorofluorocarbons	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W001
SR-W003	Solvent Contaminated Debris (LLW)	Combustion at Commercial Vendor Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Vendor Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W004	M-Area Plating Line Sludge from Supernate Treatment	Consolidated with SR-W037	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W037
SR-W005	Mark 15 Filtercake	Stabilization by Vitrification– M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W006	CH Mixed TRU/Liquids	Characterization at SRS–WIPP Disposal	4.1	4.2.2	Awaiting Characterization
SR-W007	SRL (SRTC) Low Activity Waste	SRTC Ion Exchange	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W008	SRL (SRTC) High Activity Waste	SRTC Ion Exchange	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W009	Silver Coated Packing Material	Macroencapsulation in a Steel Container– Onsite via a Treatability Variance	3.1.1.3	3.1.1.3	Awaiting Variance Approval
SR-W010	Scintillation Solution	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W001
SR-W011	Cadmium Coated HEPA Filters	Scrap Metal Exclusion	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Recycled under Scrap Metal Exclusion
SR-W012	Toxic Characteristic Solids	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W013	Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead – To be Decontaminated Onsite	Reclassified as material in use	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Eliminated
SR-W014	Tritium Contaminated Mercury	Amalgamation- Offsite Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.4	3.1.2.4	Ongoing Treatment

SR-W015	Tritium Contaminated Equipment	Macroencapsulation in S. S. Container as 90-Day Generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Ongoing Treatment
SR-W016	221-F Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste	Stabilization by Vitrification at DWPF or stabilization at Saltstone Facility	5	5	

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Waste Stream No.	Waste Stream Name	Preferred Option (PO)	Volume I Section Identification	Volume II Section Identification	Waste Stream Status
SR-W017	221-H Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste	Stabilization by Vitrification at DWPF or stabilization at Saltstone Facility	5	5	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W018	Listed Incinerable Solids	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W019	244-H RBOF High Activity Liquid Waste	Consolidated with SR-W017	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W017
SR-W020	Salt Processing Filters	Future Generation - Treatment to be Determined	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Future Generation
SR-W021	Poisoned Catalyst Material	Waste Stream Eliminated	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Eliminated
SR-W023	Cadmium Safety/Control Rods	Macroencapsulation in a Cask as a 90-Day Generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W024	Mercury/Tritium Gold Traps	Meets LDR Treatment Standard	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W025	Solvent/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g	Characterization at SRS	4.1	4.2.1.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W026	CH Mixed TRU/Thirds	Characterization at SRS-WIPP Disposal	4.1	4.2.1.1	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W027	CH Mixed TRU/F-listed Solvents	Characterization at SRS-WIPP Disposal	4.1	4.2.1.1	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W028	Mark 15 Filter Paper	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	N/A	3.5.1	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W029	M-Area Sludge Treatability Samples	Waste Stream Treated	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W030	Spent Methanol Solution	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W001

SR-W031	Uranium/Chromium Solution	Stabilization by Vitrification-M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W032A	Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water	Waste Stream Eliminated	N/A	3.5.2	Treated to meet LDR
SR-W032B	Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water Residues	Solidification in container as a 90-day generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W033	Thirds/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g	Characterization at SRS	4.1	4.2.1.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W034	Calcium Metal	Future Generation – Treatment to be Determined	N/A	6.3	Future Generation

**Table 1.1 User's Guide to Chapters 3, 4, and 5 (cont'd)**

Waste Stream No.	Waste Stream Name	Preferred Option (PO)	Volume I Section Identification	Volume II Section Identification	Waste Stream Status
SR-W035	Mixed Waste Oil-Sitewide	Combustion at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W036	Tritiated Oil with Mercury	Treatment by Aging followed by Combustion	N/A	3.4	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W037	M-Area Plating Line Sludges	Stabilization by Vitrification M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W038	Plating Line Sump Material	Stabilization by Vitrification M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W039	Nickel Plating Line Solution	Stabilization by Vitrification M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W040	Listed Stabilized Sludge/Listed LDR – Compliant Debris	Waste Stream Treated in Compliance with LDR	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W041	Aqueous Mercury and Lead	Effluent Treatment Facility	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Treated to meet LDR
SR-W042	Paints and Thinners	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment

SR-W043	Lab Waste with Tetraphenyl Borate	Consolidated with SR-W012	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W012
SR-W044	Tri-Butyl-Phosphate & n-Paraffin-TRU	Consolidated with SR-W045A & B	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W045
SR-W045A	PUREX Aqueous Waste	Stabilization in Z-Area	3.1.1.4	3.1.1.4	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W045B	PUREX Organic Waste	Direct Stabilization using new technology	3.2.3	3.2.3	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W046	Consolidated Incineration Facility Ash	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W047	Consolidated Incineration Facility Blowdown	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W048	Soils from Spill Remediation	Stabilization by Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.5	3.1.2.5	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W049	Tank E-3-1 Clean Out Material	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W050	Waste to Support High-Level Waste (HLW) Processing Demonstrations	Treatment by SRTC as a 90-Day Generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR

**Table 1.1 User's Guide to Chapters 3, 4, and 5 (cont'd)**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Volume I Section Identification</b>	<b>Volume II Section Identification</b>	<b>Waste Stream Status</b>
SR-W051	Spent Filter Cartridges and Carbon Filter Media	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W052	Cadmium-Contaminated Glovebox Section	Waste Stream Eliminated	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Eliminated
SR-W053	Rocky Flats Ash	Characterization at SRS-Ship to WIPP	4.2.1	4.2.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W054	Enriched Uranium Contaminated with Lead	Consolidated with SR-W037	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W037
SR-W055	Job Control Waste Containing Solvent Contaminated Wipes	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W056	Job Control Waste with Enriched Uranium and Solvent Contaminated Wipes	Waste Stream Re-characterized	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Eliminated
SR-W057	D-Tested Neutron Generators	Waste Stream Eliminated	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Eliminated

SR-W058	Mixed Sludge Waste with Mercury from DWPF Treatability Studies	Treatment by SRTC as a 90-Day Generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Treated to meet LDR
SR-W059	Tetrabutyl Titanate (TBT)	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W001
SR-W060	Tritiated Water with Mercury	Macroencapsulation in a Steel Container via a Treatability Variance	3.1.1.3	3.1.1.3	Awaiting Variance Approval
SR-W061	DWPF Mercury	Consolidated with SR-W068	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W068
SR-W062	Low-Level Contaminated Debris	Macroencapsulation by a commercial vendor at an offsite facility	3.1.2.2	3.1.2.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W063	Macroencapsulated Low-Level Waste	Meets Treatment Standard	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W064	IDW Soils/Sludges/Slurries	Awaiting ROD, etc.	N/A	6.1	Future Generation
SR-W065	IDW Monitoring Well Purge/Development Water	Awaiting ROD, etc.	N/A	6.1	Future Generation
SR-W066	IDW Debris	Awaiting ROD, etc.	N/A	6.1	Future Generation

**Table 1.1 User's Guide to Chapters 3, 4, and 5 (cont'd)**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Volume I Section Identification</b>	<b>Volume II Section Identification</b>	<b>Waste Stream Status</b>
SR-W067	IDW Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Waste	Awaiting ROD, etc.	N/A	6.1	Future Generation
SR-W068	Elemental (Liquid) Mercury—Sitewide	Amalgamation Offsite- Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.4	3.1.2.4	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W069	Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead – To be Macroencapsulated Offsite	Macroencapsulation by a commercial vendor at an offsite facility	3.1.2.3	3.1.2.3	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W070	Mixed Waste from Laboratory Samples	Combustion at Commercial Vendor Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Vendor Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W071	Wastewater Suitable for Thermal treatment or Stabilization	Combustion at Commercial Vendor Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W072	Supernate or Sludge Contaminated Debris from High-Level Waste (HLW) Operations	Extraction or Immobilization Alternative Debris Technologies as a 90-Day Generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W073	Cadmium-Containing Raschig Rings	Macroencapsulation by Commercial Vendor Offsite via Treatability Variance	3.1.2.2	3.1.2.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W077	Aqueous Characteristic Wastewater	Ion Exchange, Filtration, and/or Stabilization at F/H ETF, Saltstone, D Area or Combustion at Commercial Vendor	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W078	LDR Hazardous Waste Awaiting Radiological Screening	Awaiting Characterization	3.3.2	3.3.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W079	Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Mixed Waste	Combustion in the TSCA Incinerator at ETTP	3.1.2.1	3.1.2.1	Awaiting Treatment



SR-W080 (CN-W001, CN- W004)	Charleston Naval Shipyards Waste— Solids and Organic Debris with chromium and lead	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
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**Table 1.1 User's Guide to Chapters 3, 4, and 5 (cont'd)**

Waste Stream No.	Waste Stream Name	Preferred Option (PO)	Volume I Section Identification	Volume II Section Identification	Waste Stream Status
SR-W081	Reactive/Ignitable Waste	Deactivation followed by Combustion at Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W082	Radioactive Chemicals, Metals, and Pesticides (CMP) Soil	Stabilization by Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.5	3.1.2.5	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W083	Mercury- and Chromium-Contaminated Residues	Waste Stream Re-Characterized	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Eliminated
SR-W084	Remediation Waste Soils that Meet LDR	Meets Treatment Standard	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Complies with LDR
SR-W085	Rocky Flats Plutonium Fluoride Residues	Future Generation-Treatment to be Determined	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Future Generation
SR-W086	Characteristically Hazardous Non-Incinerable Solids	Roasting/retorting followed by Amalgamation-Offsite, Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.4	3.1.2.4	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W087 (BT-W035, part of BT-W003)	Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory Contaminated Oil	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W088	Aqueous Halogenated Salts	Stabilization by Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.5	3.1.2.5	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W089	TRU Mixed Waste from Mound Site	Characterization at SRS – WIPP Disposal	4.2.2	4.2.2	Awaiting Treatment

\* Information on Charleston Naval Shipyard waste and Bettis Waste is also found in Volume II, Chapter 10.

Some waste streams may be only briefly mentioned if they have been treated to meet LDR standards, re-characterized, or consolidated. Only the waste streams that require a schedule and a compliance order will be found in the *Compliance Plan Volume*. Waste streams not found in the *Compliance Plan Volume* have been re-characterized, combined, or are in compliance with applicable regulations.

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## Chapter 2. Key Order Provisions

Implementation of the STP will be by SCDHEC Consent Order 95-22-HW (Order). The purpose of this chapter is to reiterate key provisions of the Order.

### 2.1 Definitions

- a. **Project Activity Schedule(s)** shall mean the plan in the STP for performing key activities in support of mixed waste treatment(s). Project activity schedules will be provided in Chapters 3 through 5 of this Volume in accordance with the Section 3021(b)(1)(B)(ii) of the FFCAct.
- b. **Milestone(s)** shall mean those specific date(s) or time frame(s) within the STP project activity schedule(s) that constitute the steps DOE-SR is committing to take to provide for treatment of its mixed waste.
- c. **Day(s)** are defined as calendar days; activities defined as occurring within a given quarter shall be completed by the last day of the quarter.
- d. **Revision(s)** shall mean a change to the STP, which includes but is not limited to the addition of a treatment facility, treatment capacity, or technology development not previously included in this Compliance Plan Volume.
- e. **Modification(s)** shall mean a change to the STP that does not constitute a revision.
- f. **Mixed Waste(s)** shall mean waste that contains both hazardous wastes and source, special nuclear, or byproduct materials, subject to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 2011 U.S.C. et seq.).
- g. **Fiscal Year (FY)** shall mean the federal fiscal year, which begins October 1 and ends September 30.

### 2.2 Project Activity Schedules

The schedules identified in Chapters 3, 4, and 5 represent DOE's plan for treating the Site's mixed waste. Changes to these schedules require SCDHEC approval. Appendix A represents those schedule activities that occur in the upcoming federal fiscal year and that DOE agrees are enforceable commitments unless otherwise proposed by DOE and approved by SCDHEC. Appendix B represents those schedule activities planned to occur in the subsequent two federal fiscal years. During the STP annual update process, Chapters 3, 4, and 5 schedule activities will be moved into Appendix B, and Appendix B activities will be moved to Appendix A as scheduled unless otherwise proposed by DOE and approved by SCDHEC.

During the annual budget planning process, DOE-SR will seek funding by submitting a target budget request and identifying any additional funding required to accomplish activities identified in Appendix B as occurring in the upcoming federal fiscal year plus one. Additionally, DOE-SR will evaluate the funding status of the activities identified in Appendix B as occurring in the upcoming federal fiscal year plus two and those activities identified in Appendix A.

If a funding shortfall is identified for Appendix A or B activities, DOE-SR shall notify SCDHEC and attempt to resolve the shortfall through obtaining additional funds, reprioritization, and/or implementing improved operating efficiencies. If the funding shortfall for Appendix A is not resolved, DOE-SR will request a schedule modification or revision, as appropriate.

During the budgeting process, DOE-SR will also evaluate schedule activities beyond the upcoming federal fiscal year plus the next two federal fiscal years to identify required funding. If shortfalls are identified, DOE-SR shall notify SCDHEC and attempt to resolve the shortfall through reprioritization and/or implementing improved operating efficiencies. If the funding shortfall is not resolved, DOE-SR may request a schedule modification or revision, as appropriate.

## 2.3 Covered Matters

### Applicability

Except as specifically set forth elsewhere in this plan, this plan shall apply to the RCRA LDR requirements pertaining to past, ongoing, and future generation, storage, and treatment of mixed waste at SRS, the hazardous component of which is subject to the LDR. LDR requirements can be found in the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (SCHWMR) R.61-79.268 and the Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 40, Part 268.

### Mixed Waste Treatment

This plan addresses the development of treatment capacities and technologies for treating or otherwise managing SRS mixed wastes in accordance with RCRA LDR, regardless of the time when the mixed waste was generated. For the purpose of this plan, covered mixed waste shall mean that mixed waste not excluded by the Covered Matters herein.

### Exclusions—General

Inasmuch as the intent of the FFCAct is to develop an STP to address compliance with RCRA Section 3004(j), this Compliance Plan Volume shall not address mixed waste being stored or generated at SRS which (1) meets LDR requirements, regardless of when generated; or (2) mixed wastes that are being stored, or will be stored, when generated, solely for the purpose of accumulating sufficient quantities of mixed wastes as are necessary to facilitate proper recovery, treatment, or disposal in accordance with SCHWMR 61.-79.268.50. Information pertaining to the status of the mixed waste described above is provided in the Background Volume of this STP. By previous agreement with SCDHEC, small (less than 55 gallons) quantities of mixed waste(s) stored in RCRA Satellite Accumulation Areas [R.61-79.262.34(c)] are not subject to R.61-79.268 and are not included in this plan, unless requested otherwise by SCDHEC.

### RCRA/Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA)

Corrective actions and response actions shall be addressed by the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 120 Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) that was negotiated by EPA, DOE-SR, and SCDHEC (effective date August 16, 1993), any RCRA hazardous waste permits issued or to be issued by the State of South Carolina and EPA, orders issued pursuant to Section 3008(h) of RCRA, and/or by an agreement, order, or legal action under CERCLA. SCDHEC and DOE-SR acknowledge that this plan does not address mixed waste subject to corrective actions pursuant to RCRA and response actions pursuant to CERCLA, unless waste is removed from the area of contamination and not otherwise subject to the provisions of the RCRA/CERCLA orders or agreements.

### Environmental Restoration

This plan excludes (1) environmental restoration mixed wastes derived from RCRA corrective actions and CERCLA response actions that do not involve the land disposal of hazardous wastes (e.g., the placement of remediation wastes into or within a corrective action management unit or area of contamination) and/or (2) mixed waste for which a specific treatment path is included in another existing regulatory agreement (e.g., FFA, mixed aqueous Investigation Derived Waste (IDW) in the SRS IDW Management Plan, or mixed waste with a designated treatment listed in Records of Decision (RODs)/orders), permit or order or modifications thereof. Other environmental restoration mixed waste streams not specifically excluded will be dispositioned in accordance with the strategy provided in Volume II, Section 6.1. Information on any mixed waste for which SRS proposes to be excluded from the STP shall be submitted to SCDHEC for approval.

## Compliance Issues

This plan does not address RCRA compliance issues other than those issues specifically addressed herein. Therefore, SCDHEC and DOE-SR acknowledge that this plan does not affect the rights of SCDHEC to address any RCRA violations that exist or may exist at SRS not specifically covered by this plan.

## 2.4 Funding

### Process

DOE-SR shall use its best efforts, in accordance with the DOE federal appropriations process, to request timely funding to meet its obligations under this plan.

### Anti-Deficiency Act

No provision herein shall be interpreted to require obligation or payment of funds in violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act, 31 U.S.C. § 1341.

## 2.5 Changes to STP

### Annual Update

SRS shall submit to the SCDHEC an Annual Update to the STP. This Annual Update shall be in compliance with Section 3021(b) of the FFCAct and shall include, but is not limited to, an updated inventory of all mixed waste, the status of all treatment residuals, and an updated implementation schedule. Projections of new mixed waste streams generated, or to be generated, onsite and proposed to be received from offsite shall be included in the Annual Update. A list of all proposed changes to the approved STP with a justification for requesting such changes shall be provided with the Annual Update. Unless otherwise notified by the SCDHEC, SRS shall not propose, in the Annual Update, modifications or revisions to the approved STP that have been previously denied by the SCDHEC.

### Modifications and Revisions

SRS shall submit, for SCDHEC approval, a request for a modification or revision to Volume I of the approved STP for any change, unless the change requires notification only. (See Section 2.1 of Volume I for definitions of modification and revision.) All requests for modifications or revisions must meet the requirements of Section 3021(b) of the FFCAct. SRS may begin implementation of any modification or revision only upon receipt of written approval by the SCDHEC after appropriate public notice, if required. SCDHEC shall ensure that the public notice requirements of the FFCAct are addressed.

### Additional RCRA Permit Identification

If SRS determines that treatment preparation steps, such as characterization, may require RCRA permits or a RCRA Interim Status Expansion, SRS will submit a revision or modification, as appropriate, to identify proposed permit application submittal dates to be included in Volume I project activity schedules.

### Alternate Treatment Strategy

If SRS determines that a proposed treatment strategy is inappropriate, SRS will submit a revision or modification and identify the new proposed strategy.

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## Chapter 3. Mixed Low-Level Waste Treatment

The sections of this chapter discuss project activity schedules proposed for the treatment of mixed waste in accordance with Section 2.2 of this volume. Refer to Table 1.1 in Chapter 1 of this volume for the User's Guide to the waste streams in the STP. The User's Guide identifies each waste stream, the preferred treatment option (PO), and the location where the waste stream is discussed in Volumes I and II. The sections of this chapter are divided into treatment categories as follows:

- 3.1 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams with Treatment Capacity
- 3.2 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams Requiring Technology Development
- 3.3 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams for Which Further Characterization is Required
- 3.4 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams Requiring Radionuclide Decay Prior to LDR Treatment
- 3.5 Mixed Low-Level Waste Stream—Other Commitments

### 3.1 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams with Treatment Capacity

This section discusses the schedules and plans associated with treatment of SRS mixed waste with currently available treatment capacity. This section of the chapter is divided into treatment categories as follows:

- 3.1.1 Onsite Treatment
- 3.1.2 Offsite Treatment
- 3.1.3 Preferred Treatment to be Determined

#### 3.1.1 Onsite Treatment

SRS has several onsite treatment facilities for treating mixed waste. These facilities include the F and H Effluent Treatment Facility (F/H ETF), and the SRTC Mixed Waste Storage Tanks. Also included in this category are Treatability Variance Petition submittals, Recycling, and Saltstone (alternate aqueous PUREX treatment for CIF).

##### 3.1.1.1 F-Area and H-Area Effluent Treatment Facility (F/H ETF)

Currently, no additional mixed wastes are awaiting treatment by this facility. (See Section 9.1.1 of Volume II for more information.)

##### 3.1.1.2 Savannah River Technology Center (SRTC) Mixed Waste Storage Tanks

Currently, no additional mixed wastes are awaiting treatment by this facility. (See Section 9.1.2 of Volume II for more information.)

##### 3.1.1.3 Onsite Treatment Via Treatability Variance Submittals

*Submittal of a Treatability Variance for Macroencapsulation is the preferred option for certain mixed waste streams including the following:*

- SR-W009, Silver Coated Packing Material
- SR-W060, Tritiated Water with Mercury

#### Estimated Schedule for Treatment of SR-W009

Submittal of applicable permit application(s):

Complete. Treatability Variance was submitted on September 18, 1997. (No RCRA permit modification will be required for performing this activity in a RCRA-permitted or interim status storage facility.)



Entering into contracts:	Initiate procurement within 3 months of approval of the treatability variance petition. Initiating procurement shall mean issuing a request for proposal based on the approved treatability variance.
Initiating construction:	Initiate construction within 12 months of approval of the treatability variance petition. Initiate construction shall mean initiating equipment and procured materials installation.
Conducting systems testing:	Initiate systems testing within 6 months of initiating construction. Initiation of system testing shall mean beginning equipment checkout, developing procedures, and planning required self-assessments.
Commencing operations:	Commence operations within 6 months of initiating systems testing. Commence operations shall mean macroencapsulating mixed waste in accordance with the approved treatability variance.
Submitting waste processing schedule:	Within 4 months after commencing operations, submit schedule for processing backlogged and currently generated mixed waste(s).

#### **Estimated Schedule for the Treatment of SR-W060**

Submit applicable permit application(s):	Complete. Treatability Variance for SR-W060 was submitted on September 18, 1997.
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#### **Schedule Assumptions**

The ability to perform in accordance with the estimated schedule depends on, but is not limited to, the following:

- Acceptable RCRA storage facility will be available when the treatability variance is approved,
- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding specifically identified for this project to support the schedule,
- Completion of appropriate National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation,
- Resolution of any technically related finding(s) that might result from an operational readiness self-assessment or the systems testing phase,
- No changes in regulations, statutes, or the regulator's interpretations, and
- Schedule can be extended where good cause exists including, but is not limited to:
  - circumstances unforeseen at the time the schedule was prepared that significantly affect the work required,
  - delays in review of permit application(s), permit(s), or delays in approval of any other documents or other items needed to satisfy the requirements outlined,
  - a delay caused by insufficient funding where DOE, in a timely manner and in good faith, requested adequate funding in accordance with the federal appropriations process, but Congress failed to appropriate such funding.

### **3.1.1.4 Saltstone Facility (Z-Area)**

*The Saltstone facility is an existing stabilization facility at SRS which treats aqueous liquid wastes by stabilization in a grout matrix. Treatment at Saltstone is currently the preferred option for the following mixed waste stream:*

SR-W045A, PUREX Aqueous waste (the aqueous fraction of the former SR-W045 waste stream)

#### **Schedule for treatment of this waste stream**

Complete the treatment:

Treatment to be completed by 1QFY09

**Schedule Assumptions**

The ability to perform in accordance with this schedule for treatment of SR-W045A depends on, but is not limited to the following:

- “Treatment” is defined as the treatment to meet LDR standards in effect as of December 1, 2001.
- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding.
- SCDHEC permit modifications are approved to support Saltstone operation with this waste stream.
- The requirements for waste characterization, sorting, repackaging, and blending have been considered in determining this schedule.
- Schedule can be extended where good cause exists including, but not limited to:
  - Circumstances unforeseen at the time the schedule was prepared that significantly affects the work required
  - Delays in review of permit application(s), permit(s), or delays in approval of any other documents or other items needed to satisfy the requirements outlined
  - Any other event or series of events, including but not limited to, the discovery of new technological information or technological barriers that significantly affect the work required
  - A delay caused by insufficient funding where DOE, in a timely manner and in good faith, requested adequate funding in accordance with the federal appropriations process, but Congress failed to appropriate such funding.

### 3.1.2 Offsite Treatment

For those waste streams that cannot be accommodated by SRS treatment facilities, various treatment technologies available at offsite facilities have been determined to be the preferred treatment option. This section discusses the waste streams that are available for offsite treatment. Offsite treatment includes offsite commercial vendor treatment and offsite treatment at other DOE facilities.

#### 3.1.2.1 DOE Thermal Treatment

*Combustion at the East Tennessee Technology Park TSCA Incinerator at the DOE Oak Ridge, Tennessee facility, is the preferred option for the following waste stream:*

SR-W079, Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Mixed Waste

##### **Estimated Schedule for Treatment of This Waste Stream:**

Submit commitment schedule:

Completed. Schedule was submitted July 21, 1997.  
Schedule included the following commitments:

- Resolve comments on the preliminary application and submit a formal application by 3QFY98. Completed. Comments were resolved on the preliminary application and the formal application for the treatment of SR-W079 was submitted June 9, 1998. The Residuals Management Contingency Plan (RMCP) was approved by SCDHEC July 2, 1998, contingent upon agreement by the Tennessee Department of Environmental Conservation (TDEC).
- Completed. Submit a shipping and treatment schedule for the PCB mixed waste within 90 days of receipt of written approval by the ETTP to accept the waste. Schedule submitted July 16, 1999.
- Submit a shipment schedule for the PCB mixed waste within 90 days of receipt of written approval by the state of Tennessee to accept the waste. Liquid PCB mixed waste was shipped 9/26/01; no approval of solid PCB mixed waste received as of 3/1/02.

##### **Schedule Assumptions:**

The ability to perform in accordance with the estimated schedule for the treatment of this waste in the ETTP TSCA Incinerator depends on, but is not limited to, the following:

- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding identified for this project to support the schedule,
- Formal approval by the ETTP to ship the waste,
- Completion of the appropriate NEPA documentation,
- Agreement by the state regulatory agencies of South Carolina and Tennessee at least 60 days prior to the planned shipment date of the waste,
- SRS shipment of the waste stream according to the shipment schedule, and
- Waste treatment residuals will be sent to a commercial disposal facility or will be returned to SRS.

#### 3.1.2.2 Commercial Vendor Debris Treatment

*Macroencapsulation or shredding followed by stabilization at an offsite commercial vendor's facility are the preferred options for certain mixed waste streams, including, but not limited to, the following:*

SR-W062, Normal Low-Level Contaminated Debris

SR-W073, Cadmium-Containing Raschig Rings

**Estimated Schedule for Treatment of Waste Streams SR-W062**

Submittal of applicable permit application(s):	Offsite treatment; no SRS permits required
Issuing Request for Proposal:	Completed. The effectiveness of DOE's Broad Spectrum Contract Vendor was evaluated 2/20/01. No additional Request For Proposal is necessary.
Entering into contract(s):	Completed. The Broad Spectrum Contract Vendor was determined to be effective 2/20/01 for this wastestream. No additional contracts are necessary.
Commencing operations:	Completed. Waste acceptance documentation (profile sheet) for the initial shipment was sent to the vendor June 27, 2001. (Required date February 20, 2002.)
Submitting waste processing schedule:	Initial phase completed. First shipment was made September 27, 2001 (required date for first shipment schedule was November 22, 2001.) Ship 50% (78.4 m <sup>3</sup> of the remaining SR-W062A waste inventory (in RCRA storage buildings on 9/30/01) to vendor by 4QFY02. Ship 100% 157.3 m <sup>3</sup> of the remaining SR-W062 waste inventory (in RCRA storage buildings on 9/30/01) to vendor by 4QFY04

**Estimated Schedule for the Treatment of SR-W073**

Submittal applicable permit application(s):	Complete. Submitted Treatability Variance for SR-W073, Cadmium-Containing Raschig Rings to EPA-Region IV September 7, 1999.
Submitting waste processing schedule:	Submit waste profile sheet for SR-W073 waste inventory (in RCRA storage buildings on 9/30/01) to vendor within 12 months of EPA approval of Treatability Variance. Ship SR-W073 waste inventory (in RCRA storage buildings on 9/30/01) to vendor within 90 days of receipt of profile approval by vendor.

**Schedule Assumptions**

The ability to perform in accordance with the estimated schedule for the Vendor treatment process depends on, but is not limited to, the following:

- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding specifically identified for this project to support the schedule,
- Completion of appropriate NEPA documentation,
- Completion of upgrades to an existing SRS building to provide capabilities to sort, segregate, confirm characterization, and repackage waste for treatment,
- No changes in regulations, statutes, or the regulator's interpretations,
- Agreement by regulatory agencies of South Carolina and the vendor facility state regulatory agency at least 60 days prior to the planned shipment date,
- Waste treatment residues will be sent to a commercial disposal facility or will be returned to SRS.
- Schedule can be extended where good cause exists including, but is not limited to:
  - circumstances unforeseen at the time the schedule was prepared that significantly affect the work required,
  - delays in review of documents or other items needed to satisfy the requirements outlined,

- any other event or series of events including, but not limited to, the discovery of new technological information or technological barriers that significantly affects the work required, or
- a delay caused by insufficient funding where DOE, in a timely manner and in good faith, requested adequate funding in accordance with the federal appropriations process, but Congress failed to appropriate such funding, and
- Ability to complete confirmation of radiological characterization of the waste in an existing onsite RCRA-permitted building to meet transportation requirements and offsite vendor's waste acceptance requirements.

### 3.1.2.3 Commercial Vendor Lead Treatment

*Lead Macroencapsulation at a commercial vendor's facility is the preferred option for certain mixed waste streams, including but not limited to, the following:*

SR-W069, Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead – to be Macroencapsulated Offsite

#### Estimated Schedule for Treatment of Waste Streams SR-W069

Submit applicable permit application(s):	Completed. No treatability variance is necessary, based on EPA and SCDHEC concurrence that radioactive lead-acid batteries are considered "radioactive lead solids" that have a specified technology treatment of MACRO.
Issue Request for Proposal:	Issue Request For Proposal by 3QFY02
Enter into contract(s):	Enter into contract with a commercial vendor by 1QFY03
Waste Acceptance:	Submit waste profile sheet for the initial shipment to the offsite vendor within 12 months of contract execution. Submit waste profile sheets for the remaining waste within 24 months of contract execution.
Submit waste processing schedule:	Submit a schedule for sending initial shipment of waste to the offsite vendor within 90 days of vendor's acceptance of SRS initial waste profile sheet. Submit a schedule for shipping the remaining waste within 90 days of vendor's acceptance of the remaining waste profile sheets.

### 3.1.2.4 Commercial Vendor Mercury Treatment

Roasting/Retorting (RMERC) followed by amalgamation or stabilization by a commercial vendor is the preferred option for the following waste streams:

SR-W014, Tritium-Contaminated Mercury

SR-W068, Elemental (Liquid) Mercury–Sitewide

SR-W086, Characteristically Hazardous Non-Incinerable Solids

Waste streams characterized as radioactive elemental mercury will require amalgamation only.

#### Estimated Schedule for Treatment of these Waste Streams

Disposition of these waste streams is contingent upon completion of arrangements with a Commercial vendor. See STP Volume II for additional information.

Enter into contracts:	Procurement to establish work agreement with Commercial Vendor by 3QFY03 to treat streams SR-W014, SR-W068, and SR-W086. SRS to provide waste characterization data to Commercial Vendor to assure conformance to vendor's waste acceptance criteria within 6 months of work agreement.
Submit waste processing schedule:	Within 90 days of providing waste characterization data and vendor approval of the waste, SRS will submit a shipping schedule for these waste streams.

#### **Schedule Assumptions**

The ability to perform the treatment process depends on, but is not limited to, the following:

- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding identified for this project to support the schedule,
- Completion of appropriate NEPA documentation,
- Agreement by the regulatory agencies of South Carolina and contracting state at least 60 days prior to the planned shipment date of the waste.
- SRS shipment of the waste streams according to the shipment schedule, and
- Waste treatment residues will be shipped by the treatment vendor to a commercial disposal facility in conformance with LDR requirements, or will be returned to SRS.

### **3.1.2.5 Commercial Vendor Sludge and Soils Treatment**

Stabilization by a commercial vendor is the preferred option for certain mixed waste streams including, but not limited to, the following:

SR-W048, Soils from Spill Remediation

SR-W082, Radioactive CMP Soils

SR-W088, Aqueous Halogenated Salts

#### **Estimated Schedule for Treatment of these Waste Streams**

Disposition of these waste streams is contingent upon completion of arrangements with a commercial vendor. See STP Volume II for additional information.

Enter into contracts:	Procurement to establish work agreement with Commercial Vendor by 4QFY03 to treat streams SR-W048, SR-W082, and SR-W088. SRS to provide waste characterization data to Commercial Vendor to assure conformance to vendor's waste acceptance criteria within 6 months of work agreement.
Submit waste processing schedule:	Within 90 days of vendor approval of the waste, SRS will submit a shipping schedule to SCDHEC for these waste streams.

### **Schedule Assumptions**

The ability to perform the treatment process depends on, but is not limited to, the following:

- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding identified for this project to support the schedule,
- Completion of appropriate NEPA documentation,
- Agreement by the regulatory agencies of South Carolina and contracting state at least 60 days prior to the planned shipment date of the waste.
- SRS shipment of the waste streams according to the shipment schedule, and
- Waste treatment residues will be shipped by the offsite treatment contractor to a commercial disposal facility in conformance with LDR requirements, or will be returned to SRS.

### **3.1.2.6 Commercial Vendor “Non-PUREX” Treatment**

*Stabilization, thermal treatment, or macroencapsulation by a commercial vendor are the preferred options for certain mixed waste streams including, but not limited to the following:*

SR-W001, Rad-Contaminated Solvents (thermal treatment)

SR-W003, Solvent Contaminated Debris (LWW) (macroencapsulation or stabilization)

SR-W012, Incinerable Toxic Characteristic (TC) Material (macroencapsulation or stabilization)

SR-W018, Listed Incinerable Solids (macroencapsulation or stabilization)

SR-W035, Mixed Waste Oil-Sitewide (thermal treatment(aqueous portion stabilized))

SR-W042, Paints and Thinners (thermal treatment or stabilization)

SR-W051, Spent Filter Cartridges and Carbon Filter Media (macroencapsulation or stabilization)

SR-W055, Job Control Waste Containing Solvent Contaminated Wipes (macroencapsulation or stabilization)

SR-W070, Mixed Waste from Laboratory Samples (thermal treatment or stabilization)

SR-W071, Wastewater Suitable for Thermal Treatment or Stabilization

SR-W080, Wastes from Charleston Naval Shipyard (thermal treatment, macroencapsulation, or stabilization)

SR-W081, Reactive Ignitable Wastes (thermal treatment)

SR-W087, Wastes from Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory (thermal treatment)

### **Estimated Schedule for Treatment of these Waste Streams**

Complete the Treatment:

Backlogged wastes that are identified with the above wastestream numbers shall be treated by 3QFY07.

### **Schedule Assumptions**

The ability to perform the treatment process depends on, but is not limited to, the following:

- The term “Non-PUREX” is a group of incinerable wastes previously destined to be treated in CIF.
- “Back-logged waste” is defined as incinerable mixed wastes which had been received into storage at RCRA-permitted or RCRA interim status storage facilities as of September 30, 1997.
- Wastes received into RCRA-permitted or RCRA interim status storage facilities between September 30, 1997, and September 30, 2000, are included in the above processing schedule. Wastes generated after September

30, 2000, are considered to be stored in accordance with the LDR storage requirements of R.61-79.268.50, including those wastes stored beyond one year to accommodate the vendor treatment schedule.

- Non-PUREX schedule is based on completion of characterization by FY06 and treatment in FY07 if commercial treatment capacity is available.
- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding.
- The requirements for waste characterization, sorting, repackaging, and blending have been considered in determining this schedule.
- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding identified for this project to support the schedule.
- Completion of appropriate NEPA documentation.
- Agreement by the regulatory agencies of South Carolina and contracting state at least 60 days prior to the planned shipment date of the waste.
- SRS shipment of the waste streams according to the shipment schedule.
- Waste treatment residues will be shipped by the offsite treatment contractor to a commercial disposal facility in conformance with LDR requirements, or will be returned to SRS.

### 3.1.3 Preferred Treatment to be Determined

Currently, there are no waste streams requiring treatment determination.

## 3.2 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams Requiring Technology Development

Due to the complexity of some waste streams, technologies have not been developed that can adequately treat the waste. Therefore treatment strategies for some waste streams have not been selected. This section addresses those mixed low-level waste streams that require technology development for the treatment of the waste stream.

### 3.2.1 Development of Mobile Unit Technology

Currently, there are no waste streams in this category.

### 3.2.2 Development of Characterization Technology

The waste stream, SR-W056, Job Control Waste with Enriched Uranium and Solvent Contaminated Wipes, previously included in this section, has been determined to be nonhazardous. Currently, there are no additional waste streams requiring development of chemical characterization technology.

### 3.2.3 Development of Treatment Technology

*The Waste stream SR-W045B, PUREX Organic (the organic fraction of the former SR-W045 waste stream) was previously planned to be treated by thermal treatment at the Consolidated Incineration Facility (CIF). The preferred option for this waste stream is now to develop a direct stabilization process using new technology which will allow the treatment of this waste stream to be completed on a greatly accelerated timescale and for a considerable cost-savings over the use of CIF.*

By agreement with SCDHEC, a new STP milestone has been agreed to reflect the accelerated treatment of this waste stream by a new technology.

Schedule for treatment of this waste stream

Complete treatment of SR-W045B

Treatment to be completed by 1QFY09.

### Schedule Assumptions



The ability to perform in accordance with this schedule for treatment of SR-W045B depends on, but is not limited to, the following:

- “Treatment” is defined as treatment of the waste to meet LDR standards in effect as of September 30, 1997.
- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding.
- SCDHEC permit modifications are approved to support operation of a new organic stabilization facility.
- Ongoing technology development process proceeds without the identification of major technical, regulatory, public acceptance or operational constraints which cause the selected stabilization process to be unsuitable for treating this waste stream.

### **3.3 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams for Which Further Characterization is Required**

This section discusses the schedules for those specific waste streams that require further chemical or radiological characterization prior to the selection of a preferred treatment option. The categories in this section are divided into waste streams to be further characterized and hazardous wastes awaiting radiological screening.

#### **3.3.1 Waste Streams to be Further Characterized**

Currently, there are no waste streams in this category.

#### **3.3.2 Hazardous Waste Awaiting Radiological Screening**

The following waste stream awaits radiological characterization/method development:

SR-W078, LDR Hazardous Waste Awaiting Radiological Screening (new waste stream identified January 22, 1996; processing schedule submitted to SCDHEC January 9, 1997).

##### **Estimated Schedule for Treatment of this Waste Stream**

Completing radionuclide characterization for wastes included in stream SR-W078 as of January 22, 1996:

Complete radiological characterization for this waste by 4QFY02.

Within 6 months of determination that a new mixed waste stream has been identified from waste components in SR-W078, submit a proposed treatment path description to SCDHEC for this new mixed waste stream.

Within 6 months of determination that additional mixed waste has been identified for which a treatment path already exists within the STP, incorporate the additional mixed waste into the STP by separate notification to SCDHEC or by STP Annual Update.

##### **Schedule Assumptions**

The ability to perform in accordance with the estimated schedule identified above depends on, but is not limited to, the following:

- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding specifically identified to support the schedule,
- Availability of appropriate sampling protocol necessary to characterize the waste,
- Availability of appropriate analytical methods necessary to analyze the waste,
- No changes in regulations, statutes, or the regulator's interpretations, and
- Schedules can be extended where good cause exists including, but is not limited to:
  - circumstances unforeseen at the time the schedule was prepared that significantly affect the work required, or
  - a delay caused by insufficient funding where DOE, in a timely manner and in good faith, requested adequate funding in accordance with the federal appropriations process, but Congress failed to appropriate such funding.

### **3.4 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams Requiring Radionuclide Decay Prior to LDR Treatment**

Radioactive aging, followed by combustion and appropriate mercury treatment, is the preferred option for the following waste stream:

SR-WO36, Tritiated Oil with Mercury

#### **Estimated Schedule for Treatment of this Waste Stream**

The tritiated oil will be stored in a RCRA interim status, permitted, or accumulation area in compliance with S.C. 61-79.262.34. Based on tritium half-life of 12 years and the present tritium contamination of up to 185 Ci/l, the projected worst-case radioactive decay time appropriate to eliminate release of excessive tritium during combustion would be 2060. A location for combustion and mercury treatment will be selected at a later date. See Volume II, Section 3.4.1, for additional details about this waste stream and its proposed treatment.

### **3.5 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams—Other Commitments**

#### **Aisle Spacing Requirements**

SRS will revise the storage configuration for Buildings 643-29E and 643-43E to rows of two drums wide by 4QFY02. All newly generated waste drums received into Buildings 643-29E and 643-43E will be aisle spaced in rows two drums wide. Assumptions of this schedule are based on

- Receipt of containers is consistent with historical receipts (A modification to this agreement may be requested if unusually large mixed waste streams or containers requiring storage are generated as a result of environmental restoration or decommissioning and dismantling activities).

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## Chapter 4. Mixed TRU (MTRU) Waste Streams

The current DOE strategy for management of mixed transuranic (MTRU) waste is to maintain the MTRU wastes in safe interim storage; to characterize, certify, process if necessary, and package the wastes to meet the Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC) of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP); and to permanently dispose of applicable MTRU waste in WIPP. The Defense Authorization Bill for federal FY 97, which contained amendments to the 1992 WIPP Land Withdrawal Act, was signed by the President on September 22, 1996, and the Secretary of Energy declared WIPP open and ready to receive waste in May 1998.

The amendments also exempt DOE from the requirements to obtain a RCRA no-migration determination from EPA. EPA agrees that the no-migration determination is redundant to the more stringent radioactive waste disposal standard, and that the exemption will not jeopardize the environment. WIPP has obtained a RCRA Part B Permit from the state of New Mexico to receive mixed TRU for disposal.

Site specific information is included in the following section to outline activities being performed at the Savannah River Site to maintain safe compliant storage, waste characterization activities, and other activities planned to support the ultimate goal of shipment to and disposal at WIPP.

The following project activity schedules are planned for the treatment of Mixed Transuranic (MTRU) waste in accordance with Section 2.2 of this volume. Refer to Table 1.1, Chapter 1 of this volume for the User's Guide to the waste streams. The User's Guide identifies each waste stream, the preferred treatment option (PO), and the location where the waste stream is discussed in Volumes I and II of the STP. The sections of this chapter are divided into treatment categories, as follows:

- 4.1 Site MTRU Waste Management Approach
- 4.2 MTRU Waste Stream Proposed for In-Depth Option Analysis (IDOA)

### 4.1 Site MTRU Waste Management Approach

TRU waste is defined in DOE Order 435.1 as waste contaminated with alpha-emitting transuranic radionuclides (radionuclides with atomic numbers greater than 92) with half lives greater than twenty (20) years in concentrations greater than 100 nanocuries per gram (nCi/g) of waste matrix. TRU waste at the Savannah River Site that also contains hazardous constituents as defined in 40 CFR 261 and the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (SCHWMR) R.61-79.261 is managed in accordance with both DOE Orders and S.C. Hazardous Waste Management Regulations and is referred to as Mixed-TRU (MTRU) waste.

MTRU waste streams are, and have been, generated primarily by Plutonium Separations Facilities and the Analytical Laboratories. Other past generators of significantly smaller volumes include Naval Fuels Facility, the Reactor Facility, the Fuel Fabrication Facility, the High-Level Waste Tank Farms, and the Solid Waste Management Facility. In the 1970's, SRS received a large volume of MTRU waste from offsite generators including the Los Alamos National Laboratory, Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory, and the DOE Mound Site. DOE Mound Site MTRU waste shipments are currently being received (see Vol. II, Sec. 4.2.2).

MTRU waste generated at SRS is primarily job control waste which includes combinations of the following: plastic, paper, rubber, glassware, metal items, lead lined gloves, filters, used equipment and other contaminated materials from routine processing.

Due to the variety of container types, MTRU waste is generally categorized by its container: drums, polyethylene boxes, concrete casks, large steel black boxes, and other odd-sized containers. The type container also dictates the storage configuration, for example drums are either stored in culverts which are stored on uncovered pads that are exposed to the weather or stored directly on covered pads.

Currently, four MTRU waste streams and two mixed low-level waste (MLLW) streams are managed as MTRU waste. The actual amount of waste will depend on assay and treatment technologies available during processing and the final WIPP WAC review.

Waste Stream No.	Description	Current Inventory Volume (Cubic Meters)
SR-W006	CH Mixed TRU/Liquids	<0.1
SR-W025	Solvent/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g	3560
SR-W026	CH Mixed TRU/Thirds	154.4
SR-W027	CH Mixed TRU/F-Listed Solvents	3355
SR-W033	Thirds/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g	9
SR-W053	Rocky Flats Ash*	<0.1

\*Also known as CH Mixed TRU/Residues

Waste streams SR-W025 and SR-W033 are categorized as  $\leq 100$  nCi/g but are managed as MTRU waste. These two streams potentially fit into one or more waste classifications. These waste streams will be further characterized and the portion that is MTRU ( $>100$  nCi/g) will be sent to WIPP. The remaining mixed low-level component may be used to blend high activity MTRU waste down to meet the transportation and packaging limits for transportation to WIPP for disposal. Estimates indicate that the largest fraction of these two streams will fall into the mixed low-level waste category.

### **Estimated Schedule for Facility Start-up and Shipping of Waste to WIPP**

Submit applicable schedule for WIPP

Completed: The preliminary TRU shipping schedule is identified in Volume II, Chapter 7 of the STP. On an annual basis, SRS will re-evaluate the TRU shipping schedule listed in Volume II, Chapter 7, Section 7.5. and revise, as appropriate.

### **Category III Facility:**

Submit applicable permit application(s):

Completed RCRA Part B permit modification submittal to SCDHEC September 27, 2001 for the storage, treatment, and disposal of RCRA hazardous waste. (Required date September 30, 2001). Initial construction and operation for treatment of nonhazardous waste may commence prior to approval of the RCRA permit.

Initial Construction:

Within 12 months of the permit effective date, initiate construction. Initiation of construction shall mean equipment ordering.

Conducting start-up testing:

Initiate startup testing within 24 months of the permit modification approval.

Commencing Operations:

Commence operations within 36 months of permit modification approval. "Commence operations" means begin preparation of the first drum.

Submit shipping schedule to WIPP

Submit a schedule for shipping TRU and mixed waste(s) within 120 days after commencing operation.

### **Estimated Schedule for Facility Startup and Shipping of Waste to WIPP (cont'd)**

### **Category II Facility:**

Submit applicable permit application(s):

Submit RCRA Part B permit application to SCDHEC by

	4QFY08.
Initiating Construction:	Within 90 days of the permit effective date, initiate construction. Initiation of construction shall mean equipment ordering.
Conducting start-up testing:	Initiate startup testing within 30 months of the permit effective date.
Commencing Operations:	Commence operations within 15 months of initiating start-up testing. Commence operations means begin preparation of the first drum.
Submit shipping schedule to WIPP	Submit a schedule for shipping TRU and mixed waste(s) within 120 days after commencing operation.

### **TRU Pad Storage Reconfiguration**

Due to a change in the interpretation of the aisle spacing guidelines, SRS must revise the storage configuration to 2-drum wide rows on covered TRU pads. The covered TRU pad storage drum reconfiguration will be complete by May 31, 2002. An exception to this requirement is the storage of TRUPACT II payloads on TRU Pad 3 and in building 724-8E. A "payload" is a configuration of 14 TRU drums that will be placed in the TRUPACT II shipping container for shipment to WIPP. The following conditions apply to storage of TRUPACT II payloads:

- 1) No more than 21 payloads may be stored at any one time.
- 2) Payloads may be stored only on TRU Pad 3 and in the 724-8E Facility.
- 3) Storage is limited to a maximum of 4 months for any one payload.
- 4) Payloads may be staged only 1 payload high (SRS will need to submit seismic analysis prior to approval to stack 2 high in racks).

A progress report describing the status of the SRS TRU storage program will be submitted to SCDHEC every 5 years, commencing June 30, 2007.

### **Schedule Assumptions**

The ability to perform in accordance with the estimated schedule depends on, but is not limited to, the following:

- Receipt by DOE-SR of adequate funding specifically identified for this project to support the schedule,
- Resolution of any technically related finding(s) that might result from an operational readiness self-assessment or the systems testing phase,
- Availability and demonstration of the Handling and Segregating System for 55 gallon drums (HANDSS-55) technology and development
- Approval of Part B modification for HANDSS-55 (Category III facility) in August 2002.
- No changes in regulations, statutes, or the regulator's interpretations,
- Operation of WIPP until 2035 as described in the Carlsbad Field Office "National TRU Waste Management Plan" (Document DOE/MP-96-1204, Revision 1),
- Schedule can be extended where good cause exists, including, but not limited to:
  - circumstances unforeseen at the time the schedule was prepared that significantly affect the work required,
  - delays in review of permit application(s), permit(s), or delays in approval of any other documents or other items needed to satisfy the requirements outlined,
  - any other event or series of events including, but not limited to, the discovery of new technological information or technological barriers that significantly affects the work required, or

- a delay caused by insufficient funding where DOE, in a timely manner and in good faith, requested adequate funding in accordance with the federal appropriations process, but Congress failed to appropriate such funding
- Receipt of RCRA Part B Permit no earlier than end of 4QFY 2012.
- Shipments to WIPP from SRS begin in FY01 and continue in accordance with the latest approved shipping schedule. (As of February 2002, the SRS TRU waste shipping schedule is, 12 shipments per year from FY02 through FY14, 60 shipments per year from FY15 through FY22, and 120 shipments per year from FY23 through FY32.)
- Receipt of newly generated waste at the TRU pads is in the same proportions as historically received. (This includes the ratio of mixed to non-mixed TRU waste received, as well as the distribution between pad stored and culvert stored TRU waste drums. The storage configuration needed for each container of newly generated waste will impact the storage area remaining for drum storage on these pads).

## 4.2 Other MTRU Waste Streams

### 4.2.1 Waste Shipped Offsite

*The preferred treatment for the following waste stream is shipment to WIPP.*

SR-W053, Rocky Flats Ash

#### **Estimated Schedule for Treatment of the Waste Stream**

Submit applicable schedule for WIPP:

Waste is being incorporated into 026-027 and will be disposed of at WIPP as part of the proposed TRU waste shipping schedule.

### 4.2.2 Waste Received from Offsite DOE Facilities

*The preferred treatment for the following waste stream is characterization/preparation in SRS TRU facilities followed by shipment to WIPP.*

SR-W089, TRU Waste Received from Mound Site

#### **Estimated Schedule for Treatment of the Waste Stream**

Submit applicable schedule for WIPP

Revise shipping schedule (if necessary) for MTRU waste shipments to WIPP within 180 days of program certification by CBFO.

## Chapter 5. High-Level Waste (HLW)

The following project activity schedules are planned for the treatment of HLW in accordance with Section 2.2 of this volume. Refer to Table 1.1, Chapter 1 of this volume for the User's Guide to the waste streams. The User's Guide identifies each waste stream, the preferred treatment option (PO), and the location where the waste stream is discussed in Volumes I and II of the STP.

### High-Level Waste Treated Onsite in Existing Facilities

Currently, DWPF is the only facility at SRS that treats high-level waste.

*The preferred treatment option for this waste group is removal of the low-level component of the waste stream by evaporation with treatment at the F- and H-Areas Effluent Treatment Facility, or at the future Salt Processing Facility, or a facility that serves a similar function, with Stabilization at the Z-Area Saltstone Facility, followed by High-Level Waste Vitrification in the Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF).*

Waste streams in this waste group include, but are not limited to, the following:

SR-W016, 221-F Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste  
SR-W017, 221-H Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste

#### Estimated Schedule for this Onsite Facility

Submittal of all applicable permit applications:	Completed. The industrial wastewater treatment construction permit was received in November 9, 1990. The operating permit was received in August 1992. The NESHAP permit was granted in April 1988. The air emissions construction permit was granted in July 1984.
Entering into contracts:	Completed. Contracts were entered prior to approval of the STP on September 29, 1995.
Initiating construction:	Completed. DWPF construction was initiated in April 1983.
Conducting systems testing:	Completed. Systems testing was initiated in January 1993.
Commencing operations:	Completed. Operations commenced March 7, 1996.
Submit processing backlogged and currently generated mixed waste schedule:	Completed. The schedule was submitted May 21, 1996. Commitments in the schedule stated that DWPF would remain in a start-up mode through 1996. During that time operating conditions will be confirmed. Upon the beginning of full operations, DWPF will maintain canister production sufficient to meet the commitment for the removal of the backlogged and currently generated waste inventory by 2028.



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## **APPENDIX A**

### **CURRENT FISCAL YEAR COMMITMENTS**

### **FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2002**

Appendix A is a summary of commitments compiled from Volume I for the current federal fiscal year 2002, including the deliverable date to meet each commitment. The process used to prepare this Appendix is found in Section 2, Chapter 2, of this volume.

## Appendix A

### Project Activities Schedule for the Federal Fiscal Year 2002

**Federal Fiscal Year Identified: 2002**

No.	Commitment Schedule	Date
A-1	Submit waste acceptance documentation to the offsite vendor within 12 months of decision to utilize the Broad Spectrum Contract Vendor or after the award of a new contract (Volume I, Sec. 3.1.2.2).	Completed
A-2	Complete the storage configuration to 2-drum-wide rows on covered TRU pads (Volume I, Sec. 4.1).	5/31/02
A-3	Submit shipping schedule for SR-W079, Radioactive PCB wastes, within 90 days of SRS receipt of written approval from the state of Tennessee to accept SRS waste for treatment at ETTP (Volume I, Section 3.1.2.1)	Estimated Date* (6/15/02)
A-4	Issue request for proposal, SR-W069 Low Level Waste Lead to be Macroencapsulated offsite (Volume I Sec. 3.1.2.3).	6/30/02
A-5	Issue a Request for Proposal for treatment of SR-W009, Silver-Coated Packing Material, within 90 days of Treatability Variance approval (Volume I, Section 3.1.1.3)	Estimated Date* (7/15/02)
A-6	Revise the storage configuration for Mixed Waste Storage Buildings 643-29E and 643-43E to meet the "2 drums wide" rows (Volume I Sec. 3.5)	9/30/02
A-7	Ship 50% of the remaining SR-W062 waste inventory (in RCRA storage buildings on 9/30/01) to vendor. (Volume I Sec. 3.1.2.2).	9/30/02
A-8	Complete rad screening for SR-W078, waste awaiting radiological screening. (Volume I, Section 3.3.2)	9/30/02

\*Estimated date; actual date will be determined by the completion of an action by others.

## **APPENDIX B**

### **COMMITMENTS FOR UPCOMING FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR +1 AND +2**

Appendix B is a summary list of commitments compiled from Volume I for the first and second years after the current federal fiscal year including the deliverable dates for each commitment. The process used to prepare this Appendix is found in Section 2, Chapter 2, of this volume.

## Appendix B

### Project Activities Schedule for the Federal Fiscal Year +1 and +2

**Federal Fiscal Year Identified: 2003 and 2004**

No.	Commitment Schedule	Date
B-1	Enter into contract with an offsite vendor, SR-W069 Low Level Waste Lead to be Macroencapsulated offsite (Volume I, Sec. 3.1.2.3).	12/15/02
B-2	Submit waste profile sheet for SR-W073 waste inventory (in RCRA storage buildings on 9/30/01) to vendor within 12 months of EPA approval of Treatability Variance (Volume I, Sec. 3.1.2.2).	Estimated Date* 2/1/03
B-3	Ship SR-W073 waste inventory (in RCRA storage buildings on 9/30/01) to vendor within 90 days of receipt of profile approval by vendor (Volume I, Sec. 3.1.2.2).	Estimated Date* 4/15/03
B-4	Procurement to establish work agreement with Commercial Vendor to treat streams SR-W014, SR-W068, SR-W086 (Volume I, Sec. 3.1.2.4).	6/30/03
B-5	Procurement to establish work agreement with Commercial Vendor to treat streams SR-W048 and SR-W082 (Volume I, Sec. 3.1.2.5).	9/30/03
B-6	Ship 100% of the remaining SR-W062 waste inventory (in RCRA storage buildings on 9/30/01) to vendor (Volume I, Sec. 3.1.2.2).	6/30/04

\* Estimated date; actual date will be determined by the completion of an action by SRS or by another party.

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# Chapter 1. Introduction

This chapter discusses the development of the Site Treatment Plan (STP) as well as the regulatory basis behind the STP. It also covers the history and mission of the Savannah River Site (SRS). In Section 1.4, the organization of the STP is described, and several tables are included for reference.

## 1.1 Regulatory Basis and STP Development

The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) require the treatment of hazardous waste (including the hazardous component of mixed waste) to certain standards before the waste can be land disposed and prohibit storage of hazardous wastes that do not meet LDR standards, except for the purposes of accumulating sufficient quantities to facilitate proper recovery, treatment, or disposal of the waste. U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is currently storing mixed waste inconsistent with the LDR provisions because the treatment capacity for such wastes, either at DOE sites or in the commercial sector, is not adequate or is unavailable at this time.

The Federal Facility Compliance Act (FFCAct), signed on October 6, 1992, waived sovereign immunity for fines and penalties for RCRA violations at federal facilities. However, the FFCAct postponed the waiver for 3 years for LDR storage prohibition violations for DOE's mixed wastes and required DOE to prepare plans for developing the required treatment capacity for its mixed waste at each site at which it stores or generates mixed waste. Each plan may be approved, approved with modification, or disapproved by the state after consultation with other affected states and consideration of public comment. Upon approval of the plan, the state shall issue an order requiring compliance with the approved plan. The FFCAct further provides that DOE will not be subject to fines and penalties for LDR storage prohibition violations for mixed waste as long as it is in compliance with an approved plan and order.

The FFCAct requires the plans to contain schedules for developing capacity for mixed waste for which identified treatment technologies exist and for mixed waste without an identified existing treatment technology, schedules for identifying and developing technologies. The FFCAct also requires the plan to provide certain information where radionuclide separation is proposed. The FFCAct states that the plans may provide for centralized, regional, or onsite treatment of mixed waste, or any combination thereof, and requires the states to consider the need for regional treatment facilities in reviewing the plans.

The Department of Energy (DOE) was required by Section 3021(b) of RCRA, as amended by the FFCAct, to prepare site treatment plans describing the development of treatment capacities and technologies for treating mixed waste. Plans were required for facilities at which DOE generates or stores mixed waste, defined by the FFCAct as waste containing both a hazardous waste subject to RCRA, and a source, special nuclear, or byproduct material subject to the Atomic Energy Act (AEA) of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.). The Savannah River Site (SRS) Site Treatment Plan was provided to South Carolina, approved, and incorporated into a Consent Order, effective September 29, 1995, in accordance with the FFCAct. Provision 3 under Conclusions of Law in the STP Consent Order requires that updates to the STP be submitted annually no later than April 30 of each year.

DOE and SRS followed an iterative process in developing the plans, as described in an April 6, 1993, Federal Register (FR) notice (58 FR 17875), working closely with state regulatory agencies and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at the site and national level throughout the process. The STP development followed a three-step interim process – a Conceptual Site Treatment Plan (CSTP) submitted in October 1993, a Draft STP (DSTP) submitted in August 1994, and a Proposed STP (PSTP) submitted in March 1995, which were provided to regulatory agencies and made publicly available. The CSTP identified a range of preliminary options for treating the mixed waste at SRS. The DSTP identified site-specific preferred treatment options that had not yet been evaluated for impacts to other DOE sites or to the overall DOE program. The PSTP further narrowed the preferred treatment options based upon feedback from the State of South Carolina and the public. DOE initially planned to submit the PSTP at the end of February 1995. However, DOE revised its submittal date with the support of the states and EPA to allow for additional discussions (see 60 FR 10840, February 28, 1995). The PSTP was submitted to SCDHEC on March 30, 1995.

The PSTP was modified in response to comments from the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) and the public. On September 20, 1995, the PSTP was approved by SCDHEC subject to subsequent specific modifications. The approved STP and other related information are available at the public reading room at the University of South Carolina-Aiken library.

This approved STP, now referred to simply as the STP, contained DOE's preferred options developed after evaluation and integration of the site-specific treatment options contained in the DSTP and the PSTP of the other sites with DOE mixed waste. The process DOE followed was coordinated with state and EPA regulators and is described in Section 2.2 of this volume. DOE believes the treatment options contained in the STP represent a sensible national configuration for mixed waste treatment systems that balances DOE's interests and concerns and the input DOE received on the PSTP from the regulatory agencies and others. As new information is learned affecting the status of mixed waste inventories or treatment capacity, modifications are proposed in annual updates to the STP.

The approved STP also contains schedules for constructing new facilities, modifying existing facilities, and otherwise obtaining treatment for mixed wastes. DOE faces increasingly tight budgets throughout the DOE complex and anticipates that funding will continue to be constrained. The schedules in the STP and annual updates reflect those constraints and modifications that may be necessary in treatment options or schedules in response to constraints. DOE has provided schedules in the STP and annual update to support further discussions with the expectation that schedules will require some modifications as mixed waste treatment efforts progress.

The schedules contained in the STP and annual update are based on funds currently budgeted for and projected to be available for waste management activities. As a result, schedules in the STP and annual update for some facilities, particularly the largest and most costly facilities, may be protracted.

DOE has discussed with states and EPA the difficulty DOE faces in providing timely schedules for some new treatment facilities given current budgetary constraints and the need to consider whether funds from other activities should be shifted to support more timely schedules. The states and EPA recommended that the STP be submitted with schedules consistent with current budget and priorities, even though they recognized schedules may be extended. This process has continued through the submittal of the annual update. As part of its efforts to develop budget requests, DOE has asked regulatory agencies to work with DOE and other interested parties at the site and national level to assist DOE in prioritizing its activities, including mixed waste treatment, and assessing activities under way and that need to be accomplished at the Site.

DOE anticipates that modifications and adjustment to the STP in annual updates will be necessary because of the technical and funding uncertainties that naturally exist with long-term activities like those covered by the Plans. For example, emerging or new technologies not yet considered may be identified in the future that provide opportunities to manage waste more safely and effectively, and at a lower cost, than the current technologies identified in the Approved Plan. DOE will continue to evaluate and develop technologies that offer potential advantages in the areas of public acceptance, risk abatement, and performance and life-cycle cost. Should more promising technologies be identified, DOE may request a modification of its treatment plan through the annual update or other processes in accordance with provisions of the STP and/or the Consent Order.

## **1.2 Documents and Activities Related to Site Treatment Plan Development**

### **1.2.1 Inventory Determination**

Other DOE efforts are closely linked to the STP development. These include the Mixed Waste Inventory Report (MWIR), activities conducted pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other planning and management actions, and compliance and cleanup agreements containing commitments relevant to treatment of mixed waste.

The MWIR initially required by the FFCAct, provided an inventory of mixed waste currently stored, generated, or expected to be generated over the next 5 years at each DOE site and treatment capacities and technologies. The Interim MWIR, published by DOE in April 1993, provided information on each mixed waste stream generated or stored by the DOE sites. DOE made updated waste stream and technology data available to the states and EPA. The 1995 MWIR, which was distributed to the states, represents the DOE's mixed waste inventory at SRS as of September 1994. To reflect the most current information in the STP Annual Update, SRS plans to update the mixed waste inventories and 5-year forecasts each year.

The STP reflects the most current and accurate data on waste streams and technology needs. As a result, there may be some differences in the reported volumes and forecasts from the previous annual update of the STP. In general, these differences result from refinements of volume estimates for existing and future projections of mixed waste generation as better information on stored waste or more accurate estimates of future waste generation have become available. Other differences involve mixed waste streams that have been combined, deleted, or have had waste stream volumes added. Some waste streams or volumes have been treated to LDR standards and no longer need to be addressed; however some waste streams, such as SR-W040, have been retained in the STP at this time for reference even though the mixed waste in this stream meets the LDR standards.

## 1.2.2 NEPA Documents

### **The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)**

NEPA requires federal agencies to assess and address environmental impact of their proposed activities and consider alternative actions. NEPA requires detailed Environmental Impact Statements (EIS) for major federal projects. Environmental Assessments (EA) are prepared for smaller activities with unclear levels of impact to determine the need to prepare an EIS. Small, routine activities can be categorically excluded from NEPA review under the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) and DOE regulations. NEPA provides for public review of and input to federal actions. The status of SRS facilities under NEPA is indicated below.

While there is no sitewide EIS for SRS, the EIS for Waste Management Activities for Groundwater Protection at SRP (DOE/EIS-0120), prepared in 1987, addressed sitewide waste management issues. Existing, planned, and proposed mixed waste treatment facilities have been and are being addressed under NEPA. Summary information providing a NEPA status on mixed waste treatment facilities is found in succeeding paragraphs.

**Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF):** An EIS and Record of Decision (ROD) were published in 1982 documenting the decision of DOE to construct and operate DWPF. Since then, DOE has modified the DWPF process and facilities to improve efficiency and safety. A supplemental EIS (SEIS) was prepared to address these modifications.

This SEIS examined the environmental impacts of the modifications made to the DWPF and associated high-level waste facilities at SRS and enabled DOE to determine that the decisions reached as a result of the 1982 EIS and subsequent Supplement Analysis remain valid in light of process and facility modifications made over the last 12 years.

The DWPF modifications addressed in the SEIS included the following: In-Tank Precipitation (ITP), Saltstone Processing and Disposal, the Late-Wash Facility addition, nitric acid introduction, ammonia mitigation modification, hydrogen modifications, and benzene treatment. The SEIS evaluated additional modifications that may result from the need to mitigate cumulative impacts or to further enhance safety and efficiency.

A final SEIS was issued in November 1994. Following the public review of this document, a ROD was issued on March 28, 1995.

**Consolidated Incineration Facility (CIF):** An EA was completed, and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was issued by DOE-Headquarters (HQ) on December 18, 1992. The CIF is currently in suspension of operation.

**M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility:** An EA was prepared for this project. A FONSI was issued by DOE-HQ on August 1, 1994. The M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility was closed per the Clean Water Act as of October 1, 1999.

### **Waste Management Environmental Impact Statement (WMEIS)**

DOE-SR prepared a sitewide Waste Management EIS (WMEIS) to provide a basis to select a sitewide strategy to manage present and future SRS waste generated from ongoing operations, environmental restoration activities, and decontamination and decommissioning activities. In selecting a sitewide SRS waste management strategy, technology development and waste minimization were considered. In addition, the WMEIS provided a baseline for analyzing future waste management activities and evaluating specific waste management alternatives. DOE could, in turn, base supplemental EISs or EAs on the WMEIS to evaluate future mission activities, decontamination and decommissioning alternatives, and technological development opportunities. The WMEIS included the investigation of existing mixed waste treatment facilities such as the F-Area and H-Area Effluent Treatment Facility (ETF), as well as facilities under construction or planned, including the CIF and the Transuranic Waste Certification/Characterization Facility (TWCCF). SRS reassessed the NEPA evaluations performed for these facilities to determine whether, in light of changing DOE goals and missions, the evaluations performed in regard to these projects remain appropriate. All No Action and Proposed Action alternatives regarding these facilities were evaluated in the WMEIS.

Analysis of options for onsite treatment of SRS mixed waste streams developed by the STP supported the WMEIS for mixed waste and was the foundation for EIS evaluations regarding mixed waste.

The final WMEIS was made available to the public in July 1995. A ROD was approved and issued on September 23, 1995. A second ROD was issued on May 9, 1997, covering additional mixed and transuranic (TRU) waste activities. A supplemental ROD was issued June 4, 2001 for the WMEIS that facilitates offsite treatment and disposal of mixed wastes.

### **The Waste Management Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (WMPEIS)**

DOE has prepared a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) to formulate and implement a complexwide waste management program for five types of radioactive and hazardous waste, including mixed waste, in a safe and environmentally sound manner and in compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and standards. The PEIS presented to the public, states, EPA, and DOE understanding of impacts to human health and the environment together with the costs associated with a wide range of alternative strategies for managing DOE's environmental program. The PEIS examined the following waste types and activities: high-level, transuranic mixed low-level, low-level, and hazardous waste. The analysis for the waste management PEIS evaluated decentralized, regional, and centralized approaches for storage of high-level waste, treatment and storage of transuranic waste, treatment and disposal of low-level and mixed low-level waste, and treatment of hazardous waste.

Development of the Waste Management (WM) PEIS was coordinated with the preparation of STPs under the FFCAct. Information generated to support the WMPEIS (e.g., hypothetical configurations, preliminary risk analyses, and cost studies) was shared with states to support STP discussions.

The draft WMPEIS was presented for public comment in October 1995. The final PEIS was issued in May 1997, and ROD for treatment and disposal of Mixed Waste was issued February 2000.

## **1.2.3 Environmental Restoration/Waste Management Outyear Budget**

DOE's Office of Environmental Restoration and Waste Management (EM) uses a variety of interrelated planning initiatives to accomplish its mission. One of these is the Outyear Budget. The Outyear Budget is the principal planning document for EM activities and is updated annually. The Outyear Budget identifies activities needed to accomplish EM's mission over the planning period. The SRS portion of the Outyear Budget is available as a part of the supporting data and documentation prepared for the STP and can be reviewed by interested parties.

## **1.2.4 Waste Management Plans**

To provide tools for planning consistent with the SRS Outyear Budget but with further, more specific detail on waste management activities, SRS has developed waste management plans. These plans have been organized according to the type of waste being discussed. The *System Plan for the Solid Waste Division* addresses planning for sanitary waste, hazardous waste, mixed low-level waste, low-level radioactive waste, and transuranic

waste. The *High-Level Waste System Plan* addresses planning for the high-level wastes that are liquid radioactive wastes and include high-level mixed wastes.

The purpose of the *System Plan for the Solid Waste Division* is to present recommended options for managing solid waste at SRS. The plan identifies the approximate funding and schedule requirements and the numerous issues and assumptions that must be addressed during implementation. The *System Plan for the Solid Waste Division* has been developed to meet current and anticipated solid waste needs at SRS and provide a strategic plan for the treatment, storage, and disposal of SRS solid waste streams. It has been recognized that the strategy for mixed waste developed in the *System Plan for the Solid Waste Division* is dependent on the development of the SRS STP and input into the STP by the regulatory agencies and other stakeholders. As a result, significant changes could be made to the mixed waste management strategy in the *System Plan for the Solid Waste Division*. The plan will be revised on a regular basis to reflect changes as a result of the STP development as well as new regulatory developments, advances in technology, and funding changes.

The *High-Level Waste System Plan* provides the same long-range planning function for high-level waste as the *System Plan for the Solid Waste Division* provides for solid waste. Mixed high-level waste treatment also will be affected by developments in the STP, and the plan for high-level waste must reflect the changes brought about as the STP is prepared and approved.

## 1.2.5 Compliance Agreements

In addition to SCDHEC Consent Order 95-22, another agreement that concerns mixed waste activities has been executed among SRS, the EPA, and SCDHEC.

**The Federal Facility Agreement (FFA):** Section 120, Federal Facilities, of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), requires that a federal facility placed on the National Priorities List (NPL) enter into an interagency agreement (FFA) with the EPA for the expeditious completion of all necessary remedial actions at the facility.

SRS has entered into an FFA with EPA-IV and SCDHEC that directs the comprehensive remediation of SRS. It details the method by which the three parties will interact in the process of remediating SRS. It directs the three parties in their respective responsibilities, and requires the parties to meet, discuss, and prepare schedules for the remediation. The FFA contains requirements for the prevention and mitigation of releases or potential releases from the high-level radioactive waste tank systems. It also affects how environmental restoration activities at SRS dealing with mixed waste will be undertaken. See Chapter 6 regarding management of environmental restoration and decommissioning and decontamination wastes.

## 1.3 Site History and Mission

This section discusses the role of SRS, the principal operations located at the SRS site, and the principal mixed waste facilities at SRS.

### 1.3.1 Role of the Savannah River Site

SRS was established by the United States Atomic Energy Commission (USAEC) in 1950 to produce and recover nuclear materials (primarily tritium, plutonium-239 [Pu<sup>239</sup>], and highly enriched uranium fuel) for national defense and medical use. Most of the nuclear materials produced at SRS were used for the production of components for nuclear weapons necessary for the national defense in accordance with DOE authority and responsibility under the AEA. Figure 1.1 shows the general location of SRS. SRS is owned by DOE and is operated through management and operating contracts.

The mission of SRS is to serve local and national interests by applying its technical, physical, and human resources to protect and improve environmental quality, support a secure national defense and reduce the nuclear danger, and enhance industrial competitiveness and economic development in a safe, environmentally sound, socially responsible, and cost-effective manner in partnership with its stakeholders.



Recent Site mission changes have reduced the need for nuclear material production at SRS and heightened the need for environmental restoration and decontamination and decommissioning (D&D) activities. However, there will be continued operation of the tritium, separations, and certain plutonium operations as well as analytical support activities.

Tritium requirements and the need for special isotopes, such as  $\text{Pu}^{238}$ , dominate anticipated demand for separations operations for nuclear materials processing. SRS was the sole source of tritium required to maintain the nuclear weapons stockpile. Recycling and reloading of tritium is a continuing Site mission. Another mission for SRS is the processing of  $\text{Pu}^{238}$  used in radioisotopic thermal generators to provide electrical power for space missions.

Existing plutonium-bearing materials are being stored at SRS awaiting final disposition.

### **1.3.2 Savannah River Site Principal Operations**

Historically, SRS produced nuclear materials by manufacturing fuel and target components, irradiating the components in nuclear reactors, and chemically extracting the desired nuclear materials from the irradiated fuel and targets.

The largest SRS facilities were for production. These facilities include the fuel and target component manufacturing complex in M Area; the production reactors located in P, K, L, C, and R Areas; and the separations process lines in F and H Areas. The M-Area production facilities and the reactors are not operating, and there are no plans to resume their operations. Separations canyon facilities are fully operational and have been selectively operated recently depending on the need. Recently, HB Line has operated to provide  $\text{Pu}^{238}$  in support of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and to process plutonium in storage to produce a more stable material.

Other major facilities are used to manage wastes. The largest, DWPF, began treating high-level liquid waste on March 7, 1996.

A major generator of mixed waste at SRS was the preparation, in M Area, of target and fuel assemblies for the reactors. This process was similar to a commercial metal-forming and finishing operation. Mixed wastes were generated from the electroplating operations and the creation of waste nickel-plating solutions after M-Area metal-forming and finishing facilities were shut down.

The major types of radionuclide recovery in the Separations area were  $\text{Pu}^{239}$  recovery, uranium-235 ( $\text{U}^{235}$ ) and neptunium-237 ( $\text{Np}^{237}$ ) recovery, and tritium recovery. The liquid high-level waste remaining after the nuclear materials are recovered in both Separations canyon facilities is made alkaline (pH 10-13) and transferred by gravity to the F-Area and H-Area High-Level Radioactive Waste (HLW) Tank Farms. High pH is maintained to prevent corrosion of the carbon steel tanks. The waste liquid is a major mixed waste component at SRS.

Tritium is recovered in a complex of buildings in H Area. Tritium was extracted from irradiated lithium-aluminum targets until September, 1999. Future extractions will use different target material and will be performed at the new Tritium Extraction Facility in FY06. Tritium is also recycled from reservoirs removed from weapons in the field. Old reservoirs are refurbished and refilled as necessary. Mixed waste is generated from these operations.

SRS also contains many production support and research and development facilities including powerhouses, laboratories, administrative, and support facilities. Figure 1.2 shows the location of major production, support, and research and development areas at SRS.

### **1.3.3 Savannah River Site Principal Mixed Waste Facilities**

The existing facilities that manage mixed waste are the F-Area and H-Area High-Level Waste (HLW) Tank Farms, the F/H ETF, the Mixed Waste Storage Shed (Building 316-M), the Mixed Waste Storage Pad (Building 315-4M), the Savannah River Technology Center (SRTC) Mixed Waste Storage Tanks (MWST), New Solvent Storage Tanks (H33-H36), the TRU Waste Storage Pads, the Mixed Waste Storage Buildings (MWSB) (Buildings 643-29E and 643-43E), the Hazardous Waste Storage Facility (HWSF) (645-N, 645-2N, and 645-4N), the Solid Waste Storage Pads (SWSP), the DWPF Vitrification Facility, the DWPF Organic Waste Storage Tank (OWST) (closed), and the Z-Area Saltstone Processing Facility (standby).

Liquid HLW generated by the Separations facilities is stored in underground tanks in the F-Area and H-Area HLW Tank Farms. Waste must be stored prior to treatment to allow radioactive decay to reduce the radionuclide contamination to a safer level for processing. To reduce the volume of HLW in storage, the liquid waste containing metals, salts, and fission products from reactor processing is routed through evaporators. The evaporator overheads are piped to the F/H ETF where they are treated by a series of physical/chemical treatment steps that include pH adjustment, submicro filtration, reverse osmosis, and ion exchange. Treated effluent is discharged to surface water as authorized by a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. This system also treats contaminated cooling water and storm water prior to release.

Treatment residues from the F/H ETF processes and the low-level radioactive portion (decontaminated salt solution) of the high-level liquid radioactive wastes in the F-Area and H-Area HLW Tank Farm are piped to the Z-Area Saltstone Processing and Disposal Facility. This waste stream is mixed waste due to its corrosivity and potential to exceed the Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) limits. The waste stream is stabilized by mixing with grout and flyash to create saltstone. The nonhazardous saltstone is disposed in the Z-Area Vaults.

The remainder of the high-level waste, salt slurry and sludge, will be mixed with glass frit and stabilized in borosilicate glass at the DWPF.

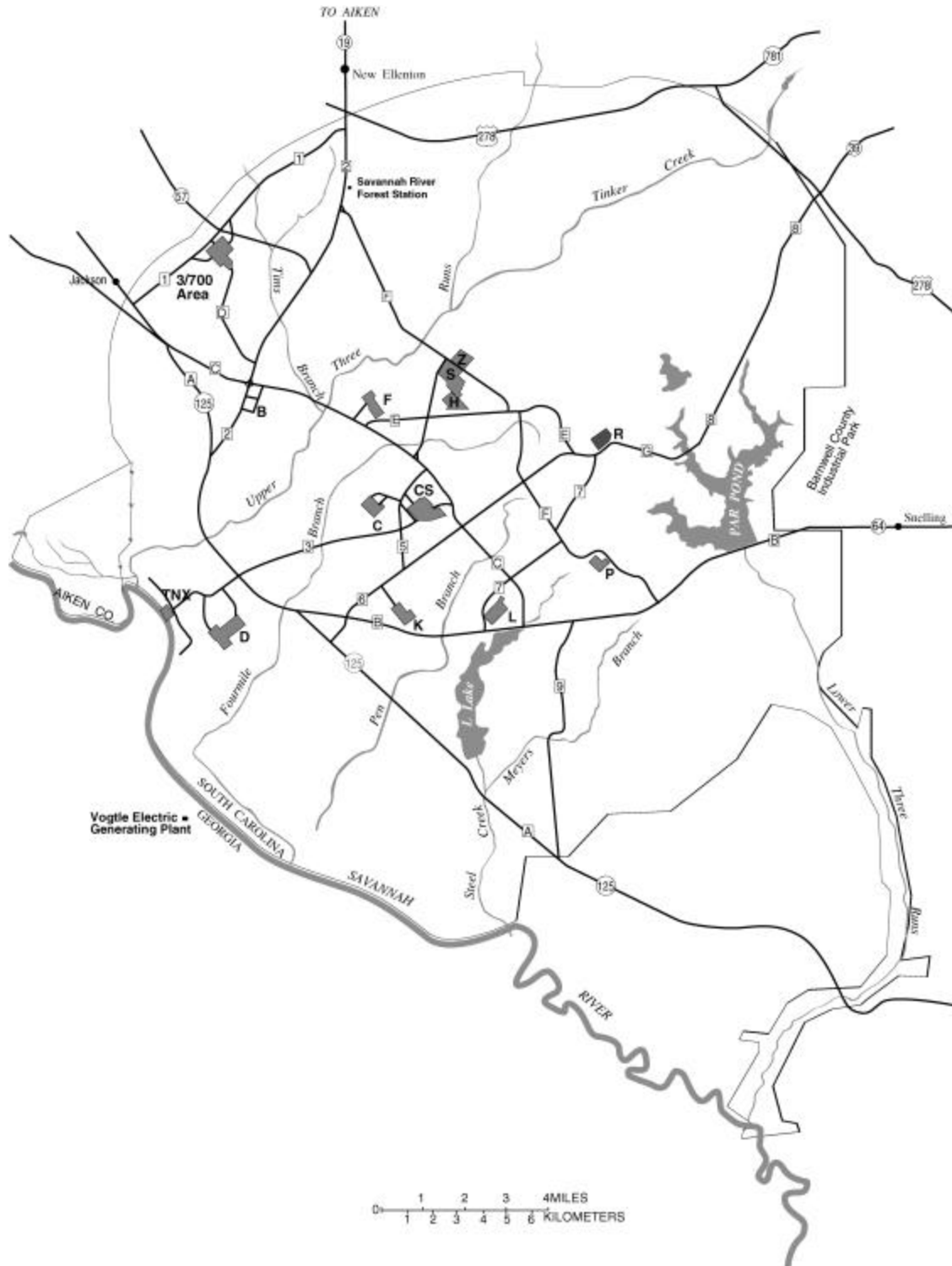
Another treatment facility at SRS is the SRTC MWST, where high and low activity waste streams from SRTC undergo neutralization and ion exchange to remove hazardous characteristics before receiving further processing at the F-Area HLW Tank Farm.

Mixed wastes are stored on the TRU pads, in the MWSB, in the HWSF, on the SWSP, on the M-Area storage pad, in storage tanks, and the Mixed Waste Storage Shed until they can be sent to the appropriate treatment and disposal facilities.

The site treatment plan and the annual update analyze treatment options for mixed waste using these facilities, with and without modifications, and investigate other options for treatment of mixed waste streams generated at SRS.



Figure 1.1 – General Location of Savannah River Site



**Figure 1.2 – Location of Major Production, Support, and Research and Development Areas at the Savannah River Site**

## 1.4 STP Organization

The STP and annual update are organized in two separate, but integrated, volumes. The *Background Volume*, Volume II, provides the detailed discussion of the options. It contains information on the waste streams and treatability groups a particular treatment option or options would address and describes uncertainties associated with that option, as well as the budget status of the option and regulator and stakeholder input. The *Compliance Plan Volume*, Volume I is a short, focused document containing the preferred options and schedules for implementing the options and contains all the information required by the FFCAct. The *Compliance Plan Volume* also contains a mechanism to implement the plan and establish milestones enforced by the Order. It references, but does not duplicate, details on the options listed in the *Background Volume*.

Chapters 1 and 2 in both volumes contain introductory material relevant to the purpose of the volume. Chapters 1 and 2 of the *Compliance Plan Volume* contain certain administrative provisions appropriate for implementing the plan, such as project activity schedules describing funding considerations.

Chapters 3 through 5 discuss the preferred option for low-level mixed waste, mixed transuranic waste, and mixed high-level waste, and each volume discusses the same waste streams and options in parallel. The *Background Volume* discusses the waste streams, technology needs, and uncertainties and other details on the preferred options; the *Compliance Plan Volume* includes schedules, to the extent feasible, as required under the FFCAct.

The *Background Volume* includes seven additional sections not included in the *Compliance Plan Volume*. Chapter 6 of the *Background Volume* discusses mixed wastes expected to be generated from future activities such as environmental restoration and D&D actions. These waste streams will be incorporated into the *Background Volume*, and treatment approaches and schedules developed, when the wastes are generated. Chapter 7 discusses storage capacity, describes compliant storage provided, and gives information on projected storage needs.

Chapter 8 describes the process being followed by DOE and the states for evaluating options for disposal of mixed waste treatment residues.

Chapter 9 provides a description of all existing treatment facilities at SRS for the treatment of mixed wastes.

Chapter 10 provides information on offsite waste from the Naval Reactors Program that lists SRS as the preferred treatment option. Final decisions on actual treatment were made by the requesting DOE site, SRS, DOE-HQ, affected states, and other stakeholders in the course of negotiations leading to the development of the consent order.

Chapter 11 provides summary information in three tables. Table 11.1 lists SRS mixed waste streams, their preferred treatment options, currently generated volume, and future estimated generation over the next five years. Table 11.2 provides the same information but lists waste streams by treatment facility or treatment method. Table 11.3 provides the volumes and status of mixed waste treatment residues resulting from the treatment of wastes listed in the STP.

Chapter 12 is a list of acronyms and definitions for terms used in the STP and annual updates.

The following table (Table 1.1) is a user's guide that is provided as an aid in reviewing waste stream information in the STP. Table 1.1 provides the status of each waste stream, the preferred treatment option (PO), and the primary locations of the waste streams in Volumes I and II of the STP.

**Table 1.1 User's Guide to Chapters 3, 4, and 5**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Volume I Section Identification</b>	<b>Volume II Section Identification</b>	<b>Waste Stream Status</b>
SR-W001	Rad-Contaminated Solvents	Combustion at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W002	Rad-Contaminated Chlorofluorocarbons	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W001
SR-W003	Solvent Contaminated Debris (LLW)	Combustion at Commercial Vendor Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Vendor Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W004	M-Area Plating Line Sludge from Supernate Treatment	Consolidated with SR-W037	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W037
SR-W005	Mark 15 Filtercake	Stabilization by Vitrification– M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W006	CH Mixed TRU/Liquids	Characterization at SRS–WIPP Disposal	4.1	4.2.2	Awaiting Characterization
SR-W007	SRL (SRTC) Low Activity Waste	SRTC Ion Exchange	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W008	SRL (SRTC) High Activity Waste	SRTC Ion Exchange	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W009	Silver Coated Packing Material	Macroencapsulation in a Steel Container– Onsite via a Treatability Variance	3.1.1.3	3.1.1.3	Awaiting Variance Approval
SR-W010	Scintillation Solution	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W001
SR-W011	Cadmium Coated HEPA Filters	Scrap Metal Exclusion	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Recycled under Scrap Metal Exclusion
SR-W012	Toxic Characteristic Solids	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W013	Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead – To be Decontaminated Onsite	Reclassified as material in use	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Eliminated
SR-W014	Tritium Contaminated Mercury	Amalgamation- Offsite Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.4	3.1.2.4	Ongoing Treatment

SR-W015	Tritium Contaminated Equipment	Macroencapsulation in S. S. Container as 90-Day Generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Ongoing Treatment
SR-W016	221-F Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste	Stabilization by Vittrification at DWPF or stabilization at Saltstone Facility	5	5	

**Table 1.1 User's Guide to Chapters 3, 4, and 5 (con't)**

Waste Stream No.	Waste Stream Name	Preferred Option (PO)	Volume I Section Identification	Volume II Section Identification	Waste Stream Status
SR-W017	221-H Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste	Stabilization by Vittrification at DWPF or stabilization at Saltstone Facility	5	5	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W018	Listed Incinerable Solids	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W019	244-H RBOF High Activity Liquid Waste	Consolidated with SR-W017	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W017
SR-W020	Salt Processing Filters	Future Generation - Treatment to be Determined	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Future Generation
SR-W021	Poisoned Catalyst Material	Waste Stream Eliminated	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Eliminated
SR-W023	Cadmium Safety/Control Rods	Macroencapsulation in a Cask as a 90-Day Generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W024	Mercury/Tritium Gold Traps	Meets LDR Treatment Standard	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W025	Solvent/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g	Characterization at SRS	4.1	4.2.1.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W026	CH Mixed TRU/Thirps	Characterization at SRS-WIPP Disposal	4.1	4.2.1.1	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W027	CH Mixed TRU/F-listed Solvents	Characterization at SRS-WIPP Disposal	4.1	4.2.1.1	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W028	Mark 15 Filter Paper	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	N/A	3.5.1	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W029	M-Area Sludge Treatability Samples	Waste Stream Treated	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W030	Spent Methanol Solution	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W001

SR-W031	Uranium/Chromium Solution	Stabilization by Vitrifaction-M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W032A	Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water	Waste Stream Eliminated	N/A	3.5.2	Treated to meet LDR
SR-W032B	Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water Residues	Solidification in container as a 90-day generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W033	Thirds/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g	Characterization at SRS	4.1	4.2.1.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W034	Calcium Metal	Future Generation – Treatment to be Determined	N/A	6.3	Future Generation

**Table 1.1 User's Guide to Chapters 3, 4, and 5 (cont'd)**

Waste Stream No.	Waste Stream Name	Preferred Option (PO)	Volume I Section Identification	Volume II Section Identification	Waste Stream Status
SR-W035	Mixed Waste Oil-Sitewide	Combustion at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W036	Tritiated Oil with Mercury	Treatment by Aging followed by Combustion	N/A	3.4	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W037	M-Area Plating Line Sludges	Stabilization by Vitrifaction M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W038	Plating Line Sump Material	Stabilization by Vitrifaction M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W039	Nickel Plating Line Solution	Stabilization by Vitrifaction M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	N/A	3.5.3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W040	Listed Stabilized Sludge/Listed LDR – Compliant Debris	Waste Stream Treated in Compliance with LDR	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W041	Aqueous Mercury and Lead	Effluent Treatment Facility	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Treated to meet LDR
SR-W042	Paints and Thinners	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment



SR-W043	Lab Waste with Tetraphenyl Borate	Consolidated with SR-W012	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W012
SR-W044	Tri-Butyl-Phosphate & n-Paraffin-TRU	Consolidated with SR-W045A & B	N/ A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W045
SR-W045A	PUREX Aqueous Waste	Stabilization in Z-Area	3.1.1.4	3.1.1.4	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W045B	PUREX Organic Waste	Direct Stabilization using new technology	3.2.3	3.2.3	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W046	Consolidated Incineration Facility Ash	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W047	Consolidated Incineration Facility Blowdown	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W048	Soils from Spill Remediation	Stabilization by Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.5	3.1.2.5	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W049	Tank E-3-1 Clean Out Material	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Treated
SR-W050	Waste to Support High-Level Waste (HLW) Processing Demonstrations	Treatment by SRTC as a 90-Day Generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR

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<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Volume I Section Identification</b>	<b>Volume II Section Identification</b>	<b>Waste Stream Status</b>
SR-W051	Spent Filter Cartridges and Carbon Filter Media	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W052	Cadmium-Contaminated Glovebox Section	Waste Stream Eliminated	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Eliminated
SR-W053	Rocky Flats Ash	Characterization at SRS-Ship to WIPP	4.2.1	4.2.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W054	Enriched Uranium Contaminated with Lead	Consolidated with SR-W037	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W037
SR-W055	Job Control Waste Containing Solvent Contaminated Wipes	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W056	Job Control Waste with Enriched Uranium and Solvent Contaminated Wipes	Waste Stream Re-characterized	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Eliminated

SR-W057	D-Tested Neutron Generators	Waste Stream Eliminated	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Eliminated
SR-W058	Mixed Sludge Waste with Mercury from DWPF Treatability Studies	Treatment by SRTC as a 90-Day Generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Treated to meet LDR
SR-W059	Tetrabutyl Titanate (TBT)	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W001
SR-W060	Tritiated Water with Mercury	Macroencapsulation in a Steel Container via a Treatability Variance	3.1.1.3	3.1.1.3	Awaiting Variance Approval
SR-W061	DWPF Mercury	Consolidated with SR-W068	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Consolidated with SR-W068
SR-W062	Low-Level Contaminated Debris	Macroencapsulation by a commercial vendor at an offsite facility	3.1.2.2	3.1.2.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W063	Macroencapsulated Low-Level Waste	Meets Treatment Standard	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W064	IDW Soils/Sludges/Slurries	Awaiting ROD, etc.	N/A	6.1	Future Generation
SR-W065	IDW Monitoring Well Purge/Development Water	Awaiting ROD, etc.	N/A	6.1	Future Generation
SR-W066	IDW Debris	Awaiting ROD, etc.	N/A	6.1	Future Generation

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<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Volume I Section Identification</b>	<b>Volume II Section Identification</b>	<b>Waste Stream Status</b>
SR-W067	IDW Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Waste	Awaiting ROD, etc.	N/A	6.1	Future Generation
SR-W068	Elemental (Liquid) Mercury—Sitewide	Amalgamation Offsite- Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.4	3.1.2.4	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W069	Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead – To be Macroencapsulated Offsite	Macroencapsulation by a commercial vendor at an offsite facility	3.1.2.3	3.1.2.3	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W070	Mixed Waste from Laboratory Samples	Combustion at Commercial Vendor Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Vendor Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W071	Wastewater Suitable for Thermal treatment or Stabilization	Combustion at Commercial Vendor Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W072	Supernate or Sludge Contaminated Debris from High-Level Waste (HLW) Operations	Extraction or Immobilization Alternative Debris Technologies as a 90-Day Generator	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Complies with LDR
SR-W073	Cadmium-Containing Raschig Rings	Macroencapsulation by Commercial Vendor Offsite via Treatability Variance	3.1.2.2	3.1.2.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W077	Aqueous Characteristic Wastewater	Ion Exchange, Filtration, and/or Stabilization at F/H ETF, Saltstone, D Area or Combustion at Commercial Vendor	N/A	Appendix to Chapter 3	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W078	LDR Hazardous Waste Awaiting Radiological Screening	Awaiting Characterization	3.3.2	3.3.2	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W079	Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Mixed Waste	Combustion in the TSCA Incinerator at ETP	3.1.2.1	3.1.2.1	Awaiting Treatment

SR-W080 (CN-W001, CN- W004)	Charleston Naval Shipyard Waste– Solids and Organic Debris with chromium and lead	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Macroencapsulation or Stabilization at Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
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SR-W081	Reactive/Ignitable Waste	Deactivation followed by Combustion at Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W082	Radioactive Chemicals, Metals, and Pesticides (CMP) Soil	Stabilization by Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.5	3.1.2.5	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W083	Mercury- and Chromium-Contaminated Residues	Waste Stream Re-Characterized	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Waste Stream Eliminated
SR-W084	Remediation Waste Soils that Meet LDR	Meets Treatment Standard	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Complies with LDR
SR-W085	Rocky Flats Plutonium Fluoride Residues	Future Generation-Treatment to be Determined	N/A	1.4, Table 1.1	Future Generation
SR-W086	Characteristically Hazardous Non-Incinerable Solids	Roasting/retorting followed by Amalgamation-Offsite, Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.4	3.1.2.4	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W087 (BT-W035, part of BT-W003)	Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory Contaminated Oil	Combustion at Commercial Facility or Stabilization at Commercial Facility	3.1.2.6	3.1.2.6	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W088	Aqueous Halogenated Salts	Stabilization by Commercial Vendor	3.1.2.5	3.1.2.5	Awaiting Treatment
SR-W089	TRU Mixed Waste from Mound Site	Characterization at SRS – WIPP Disposal	4.2.2	4.2.2	Awaiting Treatment

\* Information on Charleston Naval Shipyard waste and Bettis Waste is also found in Volume II, Chapter 10.

Some waste streams may be only briefly mentioned if they have been treated to meet LDR standards, re-characterized, or consolidated. Only the waste streams that require a schedule and a compliance order will be found in the *Compliance Plan Volume*. Waste streams not found in the *Compliance Plan Volume* have been re-characterized, combined, or are in compliance with applicable regulations.

**SRS Mixed Waste Streams included in Volume I of the Annual Update.**

SR-W001	Rad-Contaminated Solvents
SR-W003	Solvent Contaminated Debris
SR-W005	Mark 15 Filtercake
SR-W006	CH Mixed TRU/Liquids
SR-W009	Silver Coated Packing Material
SR-W012	Toxic Characteristic Solids
SR-W013	Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead – to be Decontaminated Onsite
SR-W014	Tritium-Contaminated Mercury
SR-W016	221-F Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste
SR-W017	221-H Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste
SR-W018	Listed Incinerable Solids
SR-W025	Solvent/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g
SR-W026	CH Mixed TRU/Thirds
SR-W027	CH Mixed TRU/F-listed Solvents
SR-W028	Mark 15 Filter Paper
SR-W029	M-Area Sludge Treatability Samples
SR-W031	Uranium/Chromium Solution
SR-W032A	Mercury Contaminated Heavy Water
SR-W033	Thirds/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g
SR-W035	Mixed Waste Oil - Sitewide
SR-W036	Tritiated Oil with Mercury
SR-W037	M-Area Plating Line Sludges
SR-W038	Plating Line Sump Material
SR-W039	Nickel Plating Solution
SR-W042	Paints and Thinners
SR-W045	Tri-Butyl & N-Paraffin (PUREX)
SR-W048	Soils from Spill Remediation
SR-W049	Tank E-3-1 Clean Out Material
SR-W051	Spent Filter Cartridges and Carbon Filter Media
SR-W053	Rocky Flats Ash
SR-W055	Job Control Waste Containing Solvent Contaminated Wipes
SR-W060	Tritiated Water with Mercury
SR-W062	Normal Low-Level Contaminated Debris
SR-W068	Elemental (Liquid) Mercury - Sitewide
SR-W069	Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead – to be Macroencapsulated Offsite

SR-W070	Mixed Waste from Laboratory Samples
SR-W071	Wastewater Suitable for Thermal treatment or Stabilization
SR-W073	Cadmium-Containing Raschig Rings
SR-W078	LDR Hazardous Waste Awaiting Radiological Screening
SR-W079	Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Mixed Waste
SR-W081	Reactive/Ignitable Waste
SR-W082	Radioactive Chemicals, Metals, and Pesticides (CMP) Soil
SR-W086	Characteristically Hazardous Non-Incinerable Solids
SR-W088	Aqueous Halogenated Salts
SR-W089	TRU Mixed Waste from Mound Site

**Offsite Waste Streams included in Volume I.**

SR-W080 (CN-W001, CN-W004)	Charleston Naval Shipyard Waste - Solid and Organic Debris with Chromium and Lead
SR-W087 (BT-W035, part of BT-W003)	Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory Contaminated Oil

**Waste streams that do not appear in the *Compliance Plan Volume* or the *Background Volume* because they have been eliminated as mixed waste.**

SR-W021	Poisoned Catalyst Material
SR-W052	Cadmium Contaminated Glovebox Section
SR-W056	Job Control Waste with Enriched Uranium and Solvent Applicators
SR-W057	D-Tested Neutron Generators
SR-W083	Mercury- and Chromium-Contaminated Residues

**Waste streams that do not appear in the *Compliance Plan Volume* preferred option discussion because they meet the Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) Treatment Standard, meet the LDR standard when they are generated, or are recycled (includes scrap metal).**

SR-W007	SRL (SRTC) Low Activity Waste	Sufficient LDR capacity available
SR-W008	SRL (SRTC) High Activity Waste	Sufficient LDR capacity available
SR-W011	Cadmium-Coated HEPA Filters	Recycled under the scrap metal exclusion
SR-W015	Mercury/Tritium Contaminated Equipment	Treated to meet LDR standard as a 90-day generator
SR-W023	Cadmium Safety/Control Rods	Treated to meet LDR standard as a 90-day generator
SR-W024	Mercury/Tritium Gold Traps	Meets LDR treatment standard
SR-W032B	Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water Residues	Treated to meet LDR treatment standards as a 90-day generator

SR-W040	Listed Stabilized Sludge/Listed LDR-Complaint Debris	Meets LDR treatment standard
SR-W041	Aqueous Mercury and Lead	Treated to meet LDR standards - May 1995
SR-W050	Mixed Waste to Support High-Level Waste (HLW) Processing Demonstrations	Treated to meet LDR standards - March 1996
SR-W058	Mixed Sludge Waste with Mercury from DWPF Treatability Studies	To be treated to meet LDR standards as a 90-day generator in a containment building
SR-W063	Macroencapsulated Toxic Characteristic (TC) Waste	Meets LDR treatment standard
SR-W072	Supernate or Sludge Contaminated Debris from High-Level Waste (HLW) Operations	To be treated to meet LDR standards in a 90-day staging area
SR-W077	Aqueous Characteristic Waste Water	Treated to meet LDR standards

**Waste streams that do not appear in the *Compliance Plan Volume* or the *Background Volume* preferred option discussion because they have been consolidated with other waste streams.**

SR-W002	Rad-Contaminated Chlorofluorocarbons – Combined with SR-W001
SR-W004	M-Area Plating Line Sludge from Supernate Treatment - Combined with SR-W037
SR-W010	Scintillation Solution – Combined with SR-W001
SR-W019	244-H RBOF High Activity Liquid Waste – Combined with SR-W017
SR-W030	Spent Methanol Solution – Combined with SR-W001
SR-W043	Lab Waste with Tetraphenyl Borate – Combined with SR-W012
SR-W044	Tri-Butyl-Phosphate & n-Paraffin – TRU – Combined with SR-W045
SR-W054	Enriched Uranium Contaminated with Lead – Combined with SR-W037
SR-W059	Tetrabutyl Titanate (TBT) – Combined with SR-W001
SR-W061	DWPF Mercury - Combined with SR-W068

**Waste streams that will be generated in the future are described in Volume II, Chapter 6.**

SR-W034	Calcium Metal
SR-W064	IDW Soils/Sludges/Slurries
SR-W065	IDW Monitoring Well Purge/Development Water
SR-W066	IDW Debris
SR-W067	IDW Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Waste
SR-W084	Remediation Waste Soils that Meet LDR
SR-W085	Rocky Flats Putonium Fluoride Residues

## Waste Stream Order

Waste streams are arranged in the chapters by radioactivity type - mixed low-level waste (MLLW) streams in Chapter 3, mixed transuranic (MTRU) waste in Chapter 4, and high-level mixed waste in Chapter 5. Definitions for these terms can be found in Chapter 12, "Definitions," of Volume II. Table 1.2 provides EPA Hazardous Waste Codes with subcategories.



## Waste Stream Analysis Information

For each waste stream with a proposed treatment option that is discussed in Chapter 3 through 5 of the STP, Volume II, the following is provided.

### General Information

This section contains a description for each waste stream. Waste streams that have been deleted or consolidated have been noted in Table 1.1 and have no additional detail provided in Chapters 3-5.

This section also provides the waste stream number and description of the determined preferred treatment option. Some of these waste streams did not undergo an in-depth option analysis in the STP because the analysis for these waste streams was performed as a part of the design work to justify a waste treatment facility project and to identify suitable waste streams for treatment.

It should be understood that no option identified in the STP as a preferred option is absolutely final. As treatment technology and input from the state or other stakeholders is received, the preferred option may change.

Mixed transuranic waste streams are designated for disposal in the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) and therefore will not undergo option analyses. These waste streams will be characterized, followed by preparation, shipment to, and disposal at WIPP. Since TRU mixed waste will not be treated to LDR standards, treatment standards for the TRU mixed waste codes are not listed. The management of these waste streams is discussed in the SRS solid waste management strategy in Chapter 4, Section 4.1 of this volume.

Option analyses have been developed for two mixed low-level waste (MLLW) streams (SR-W025 and SR-W033). These streams will continue to be managed as TRU waste and used to blend without higher activity TRU waste.

The General Information Section also provides a brief description for each waste stream, which includes the following:

**Volume:** To facilitate future changes, waste stream volumes are not listed for the mixed wastes discussed in Chapter 3-5 in Volume II. Waste volume summary tables are found in Chapter 11, Volume II, of the STP.

**Waste Stream Composition:** Provides information about the physical form of the waste and serves as a major heading under which like streams are grouped.

**Waste Characterization:** Provides information on the chemical characterization of the waste stream and the confidence level of the information listed. The basis for waste characterization is either by sampling and analysis or by process knowledge. The confidence level for either method of waste characterization for the hazardous waste constituent is expressed as high, medium, or low.

A high-confidence level reflects detailed knowledge of the waste through extensive sampling and analysis, which may include regulatory prescribed tests such as TCLP, or by process knowledge, which is based on process specification or design, reliable mass balance calculation, or other controlled and accurate information.

A medium-confidence level is based on partial sampling and analysis or the use of test methods that do not provide the most accurate results. Medium process knowledge confidence is based on indirect or less controlled knowledge that enables conclusions to be drawn about contaminants in a waste, but with uncertainty concerning contaminant levels.

A low-confidence level indicates no sampling and analysis data or highly uncertain data due to chemical or radiological interference. A low-confidence level for process knowledge indicates a great amount of uncertainty about the characterization of the waste. Only a few SRS waste streams have a low confidence level. These streams are addressed in a conservative manner in the treatment option analysis performed in the STP.

**Radiological Characterization:** Describes the radiochemical nature of the waste. Radionuclides and activity levels are listed, if known. Wastes are contact handled unless specified to the contrary. Mixed low-level wastes are found in Chapter 3, mixed transuranic wastes are found in Chapter 4, and mixed high-level wastes are found in Chapter 5.

**Waste Codes:** Lists the RCRA waste code classification of the contaminants present in the waste. The use of an additional letter at the end of the RCRA code is a descriptor used by DOE to denote the particular LDR treatment subcategory that is applicable in cases where RCRA treatment standards list more than one treatment method or concentration standard depending on the wasteform. (See Table 1.3 of this section for further information.)

**LDR Treatment Standards:** Provides treatment information from the RCRA regulations regarding LDR requirements for the waste stream. Explanation on the basis and regulatory background for the LDR treatment standards is found later in this chapter.

## **Technology and Capacity Needs**

The second part of the discussion on each waste stream in Volume II deals with the treatment technology. A flow diagram of the process steps is provided. Justification is provided for how the treatment option meets the regulatory standard if an IDOA has been performed. Information is given on capacity requirements to treat the waste and what treatment facility needs must be met to facilitate treating the waste.

## **Treatment Option Information**

This part discusses the type of treatment technology and other technical features regarding the identified treatment option. Information is provided on the operational and regulatory status of the treatment option. For onsite treatment options, a description of the action needed to bring the facility into operation is given if applicable. Discussion of offsite DOE facilities lists the facility status.

## **Treatment Option Status and Uncertainties**

A status on the budget requirements for the treatment option and known external uncertainties of a budgetary, technical, or administrative nature are provided.

MLLW in Sections 3.2 and 3.3 of Chapter 3 are described with a slightly modified format than that described above. Section 3.2 addresses waste streams that do not have an identified technology and must undergo further technology development or request a treatability variance. Section 3.3 contains MLLW streams being managed as MTRU that require further waste characterization.

MTRU in Chapter 4 has a three-part description that includes General Information, Technology and Capacity Needs, Treatment Option Status, and Uncertainty Issues.

The description format for waste streams in Chapter 5 follows the same outline for the waste streams in Section 3.1.

## **Land Disposal Restrictions**

Each contaminant regulated by RCRA is given a waste code (for example, D008 or F006). The waste code either identifies the contaminant, the industrial process creating the waste, or both. For some of the waste codes, DOE has assigned a letter suffix to further identify a waste stream matrix (for example, D008A describes a waste hazardous for lead content, D008B describes hazardous waste lead in the form of lead/acid batteries, and D008C describes hazardous waste lead in the form of radioactive lead solids). (See Table 1.3, Chapter 1, Volume II.)

For each waste stream in Volume II, Land Disposal Restriction (LDR) data provide the concentration based treatment standard or range of standards or the specified technology required to be met by the LDR regulations. If the waste stream meets the LDR definition of debris, one of seventeen alternative debris technologies may be applied to meet the LDR regulations, or the waste may be treated to meet the waste specific treatment standard. These standards were developed for waste that is to be disposed of on the land (defined as landfills, surface impoundments, waste piles, injection wells, land treatment units, salt dome, or salt bed formations). The

treatment standards, set by EPA, must be met before the waste can be land disposed. The standards are usually a concentration level for the waste based on Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) test results or total composition analysis results. The standards vary based on whether the waste stream is a wastewater, which is water contaminated with less than 1% total organic carbon (<1% TOC) and with less than 1% total suspended solids (<1% TSS); or a nonwastewater, which is everything else. For F001-F005 listed wastes, the definition of wastewater is less than 1% by weight total organic carbon (<1% TOC) for the solvent water mixture or the F001-F005 solvent constituent listed in 40 CFR Part 268.41.

In September 1994, EPA issued the Phase II LDR rule that established a Universal Treatment Standard list (UTS) of concentration based standards for almost all hazardous characteristic and listed waste. Also, concentration based treatment standards based on UTS were established for the organic TC wastes (D018- D043), ten newly listed wastes, and D012-D014 pesticides. The new rule also required that UTS be met for any underlying hazardous constituent in wastes determined to be hazardous for waste codes D001, D002, and D012-D043. In April 1996, EPA issued the Phase III LDR Rule that established that generators would be required to treat the underlying hazardous constituents in wastes determined to be hazardous for waste codes D001, D002, D003, and D012-D043 that were disposed in non-CWA facilities (land-based units) as well as CWA facilities. In March 1996, the President signed into law the Land Disposal Program Flexibility Act of 1996 which, among other things, negated the provision that generators with decharacterized wastewater managed in CWA equivalent facilities have to identify Underlying Hazardous Constituents and treat them to the Universal Treatment Standard. The Flexibility Act removed a large portion of the intent and strength of the finalized Phase III rule.

One of the issues that remained in the Phase III Rule was the formalization of EPA's Combustion Strategy. The Strategy provides guidance that combustion of certain inorganic, metal-bearing hazardous wastes is impermissible dilution under the LDR program. In order to be incinerated or substituted as fuel in a BIF, certain inorganic metal-bearing hazardous wastes would have to meet one of six criteria.

1. The waste must contain hazardous organic constituents or cyanides at levels exceeding the constituent specific UTS.
2. The waste is an organic, debris-like material (wood, paper, plastic or cloth) that is contaminated with inorganic, metal-bearing hazardous waste.
3. The waste has a BTU value equal to or greater than 5,000 BTU/lb.
4. The waste is co-generated with other wastes for which combustion is a specified treatment standard.
5. The waste is subject to a federal and/or state provision that requires a reduction of organics (including biological agents).
6. The waste contains >1% TOC.

This combustion strategy will play an important role in what hazardous/mixed waste streams may use combustion as a method of treatment.

In a continuing effort to simplify LDR notification, certification, and recordkeeping requirements, EPA completely revamped §268.7 in the May 12, 1997, Phase IV, Part 1 rulemaking. Most significantly, a one-time LDR notice will suffice (after authorized states modify their programs) compared to previous requirements for a notice to accompany each shipment. In addition, the federal California list waste program was eliminated by this rule. The Phase IV, Part 2 rulemaking was finalized May 26, 1998. The most significant aspects of this rule include: (1) revision of UTS for 12 metal wastes; (2) modification of LDR treatment standards for the eight toxicity characteristic (TC) metals (D004-D011); and (3) promulgation of alternative LDR treatment standards for contaminated soils.

In determining the concentration based treatment standards, EPA has examined data from various treatment methods and determined which method is the best (and commercially available) for treating each waste code. That method has been identified as the Best Demonstrated Available Technology (BDAT). Wastes are not required to be treated by the BDAT. Any treatment method may be used, but where concentration based standards exist for a waste code, that standard must be met regardless of the treatment method employed. The BDAT is simply the treatment method that EPA examined and used in developing the concentration based treatment standards for the LDR program.

In some cases, the nature of the waste makes chemical analysis of a treated wasteform very difficult or unreliable. In these cases, EPA has required a treatment method called a specified technology to be performed before land

disposal. When specified technologies are identified as the treatment standard for a particular waste code, that technology must be used to treat that waste (alternative treatments would only be allowed if a treatability variance were submitted and approved or regulatory discretions were granted).

In addition to setting those standards noted above, EPA also has recognized that these treatment standards were developed based upon determination of the BDAT for the “normal” waste stream matrices such as electroplating sludges, paint thinners, solvents, etc. EPA believes that treatment standards based on BDATs for these waste matrices are not appropriate for treating wastes with a significantly different physical form such as soil, rocks, equipment, plastic, etc. Therefore, EPA issued treatment standards specifically for debris (these regulations were published in the August 18, 1992 Federal Register) and has committed to issuing treatment standards specifically for soil (regulations still under development at EPA). Until such time as the new soil standards are issued, soils receiving treatment must meet the treatment standards promulgated for the “normal” waste streams as noted.

## **Specified Technology Treatment Requirements**

The following are regulatory definitions regarding specific treatment technology requirements for particular waste streams from the LDR regulations. These are not all the definitions but are the ones used in listing treatment requirements for SRS mixed waste streams. These definitions are listed here as well as in Chapter 12 for ease of reference.

**ADGAS**-venting of compressed gases into an absorbing or reacting media (i.e., solid or liquid); venting can be accomplished through physical release utilizing valves/piping; physical penetration of the container, and penetration through detonation.

**AMLGM**-amalgamation of elemental mercury with inorganic reagents such as copper, zinc, nickel, gold, and sulfur that results in a nonliquid, semi-solid amalgam and thereby reduces potential emissions of elemental mercury vapors to the air.

**CHOXD**-chemical or electrolytic oxidation utilizing the following oxidation reagents (or waste reagents) or combinations of reagents: (1) hypochlorite (e.g., bleach); (2) chlorine; (3) chlorine dioxide; (4) ozone or UV (ultraviolet light) assisted ozone; (5) peroxides; (6) persulfates; (7) perchlorates; (8) permanganates; and/or (9) other oxidizing reagents of equivalent efficiency, performed in units operated such that a surrogate compound or indicator parameter has been substantially reduced in concentration in the residuals (e.g., total organic carbon can often be used as an indicator parameter for the oxidation of many organic constituents that cannot be directly analyzed in wastewater residues). Chemical oxidation specifically includes what is commonly referred to as alkaline chlorination.

**CMBST**-High-temperature organic destruction technologies, such as combustion in incinerators, boilers, or industrial furnaces operated in accordance with the applicable requirements of RCRA regulations Part 264, Subpart O, Part 265, Subpart O or Part 266, Subpart H, and in other units in accordance with applicable technical operating requirements. Certain noncombustive technologies, such as the Catalytic Extraction Process, also qualify.

**DEACT**-deactivation to remove the hazardous characteristic of a waste due to its ignitability, corrosivity, and/or reactivity.

**HLVIT**-vitrification of high-level mixed radioactive waste in units in compliance with all applicable radioactive protection requirements under control of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**IMERC**-incineration of wastes containing organics and mercury in units operated in accordance with the technical operating requirements of 40 CFR Part 264 Subpart O and Part 265 Subpart O. All wastewater and nonwastewater residues derived from this process must then comply with the corresponding treatment standards per waste code with consideration of any applicable subcategories (e.g., High or Low Mercury Subcategory).

**MACRO (Specified Technology Treatment Standard)**-macroencapsulation with surface coating materials such as polymeric organics (e.g., resins and plastics) or with a jacket of inert inorganic materials to substantially

reduce surface exposure to potential leaching media. Macroencapsulation specifically does not include any material that would be classified as a tank or container according to 40 CFR 260.10.

**MACRO (alternative standard for debris)**-identical definition to the one immediately above for the technology based standard except this definition excludes the last sentence referring to use of materials that could be classified as a tank or container.

**NEUTR**-neutralization uses these chemicals either alone or in combination: (1) acids; (2) bases; or (3) water (including wastewaters) resulting in a pH greater than 2 but less than 12.5 as measured in the aqueous residuals.

**RLEAD**-thermal recovery of lead in secondary lead smelters.

**RMERC**-retorting or roasting in a thermal processing unit capable of volatilizing mercury and subsequently condensing the volatilized mercury for recovery. The retorting or roasting unit (or facility) must be subject to one or more of the following: (a) a National Emissions Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for mercury; (b) a Best Available Control Technology (BACT) or a Lowest Achievable Emission Rate (LAER) standard for mercury imposed pursuant to a Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) limit; or (c) a state permit that establishes emission limitations (within meaning of section 302 of the Clean Air Act) for mercury. All wastewater and nonwastewater residues derived from this process must then comply with the corresponding treatment standards per waste code with consideration of any applicable subcategories (e.g., High or Low Mercury Subcategory).

**RMETL**-recovery of metals or inorganics utilizing one or more of the following direct physical/removal technologies: (1) ion exchange; (2) resin or solid (i.e., zeolites) adsorption; (3) reverse osmosis; (4) chelation/solvent extraction; (5) freeze crystallization; (6) ultrafiltration; and/or (7) simple precipitation (i.e., crystallization). (Note: This does not preclude the use of other physical phase separation or concentration techniques such as decantation, filtration (including ultrafiltration), and centrifugation when used in conjunction with the above listed recovery technologies).

**RORGS**-recovery of organics utilizing one or more of the following technologies: (1) distillation; (2) thin film evaporation; (3) steam stripping; (4) carbon adsorption; (5) critical fluid extraction; (6) liquid-liquid extraction; (7) precipitation/crystallization (including freeze crystallization); or (8) chemical phase separation techniques (i.e., addition of acids, bases, demulsifiers, or similar chemicals): (Note: This does not preclude the use of other physical phase separation techniques such as decantation, filtration [including ultrafiltration], and centrifugation when used in conjunction with the above listed recovery techniques.)

**RTHRM**-thermal recovery of metals or inorganics from nonwastewaters in units identified as industrial furnaces according to 40 CFR 260.10 (1), (6), (7), (11), and (12) under the definition of "industrial furnaces".

**STABL**-Stabilization with the following reagents (or waste reagents) or combinations of reagents: (1) Portland cement; or (2) lime/pozzolans (e.g., fly ash and cement kiln dust). (Note: This does not preclude the addition of reagents [e.g., iron salts, silicates, and clays] designed to enhance the set/cure time and/or compressive strength, or to overall reduce the leachability of the metal or inorganic.)

## Permitting Strategy for Treatment Activities

There are several options for locating and obtaining regulatory approval for RCRA treatment. A strategy for determining the appropriate and allowable option is important in developing costs and schedules for the implementation of treatment activities determined by the STP. A strategy is also important in determining and minimizing issues to be addressed in the compliance order pertaining to continued storage and future treatment of prohibited wastes. Treatment may occur in RCRA 90-day accumulation areas (also referred to as staging areas), RCRA interim status units, or RCRA permitted units. It must be ensured that certain conditions are met prior to selecting one of these options.

**90-Day Accumulation Areas:** A provision exists that allows generators who meet the requirements of SCHWMR R.61-79.262.34, to store and treat hazardous waste in a 90-day accumulation area (staging area) without having to obtain a RCRA permit or interim status. Treatment in a staging area must occur in tanks or containers or in a containment building. General design and operating standards must be met as well as specific standards as

applicable for containers, tanks, and containment buildings. Waste must be removed from the staging area within 90 days. Specific notifications must be made in accordance with the requirements of the Land Disposal Restrictions for wastes that undergo treatment in a 90-day staging area. In addition, a Waste Analysis Plan may be necessary depending on the wastes and treatment to be performed in the staging area.

It is advantageous to select the 90-day staging area provision as an option for treatment strategy. No regulatory approvals or permitting is necessary. This results in an accelerated schedule for treatment implementation and reduced costs due to the lack of any permitting activities.

However, several instances may exist where 90-day areas are not allowed as an option for treatment. Treatment must then occur in a RCRA interim status unit or a permitted unit. This may occur in the following instances:

- Waste is currently already in permitted storage.
- It may not be possible to complete treatment of waste in the accumulation area within the 90 days.
- Treatment will not occur in a tank, container, or containment building.

**Interim Status Unit:** Interim status is a relatively short-term mechanism that allows certain limited activities to be conducted while the associated unit awaits or undergoes a thorough review in the permitting process. A unit may operate for more than 90 days under interim status without a permit when certain conditions are met. A unit that currently operates under interim status may be allowed to add new treatment processes. New additional storage or treatment units may also be allowed to operate under interim status. Regulatory approval of changes in interim status units are based on several criteria such as being necessary to comply with federal, state, or local requirements, or a demonstrated lack of available treatment or storage capacity at the facility. To request interim status unit changes or additions, a revised Part A application must be filed along with a justification for the request based on required approval criteria.

Part A revision is a relatively uncomplicated task and can be accomplished with a minimal amount of time and expense. Regulatory review may be accomplished in moderate time frames. It is important to note that once interim status is granted for a facility a request for a full permit application, as discussed below, may be requested by the regulatory agencies at any time.

Part A revisions to add treatment processes or operate a new unit under interim status may not always be approved by the regulatory agency based on inadequate justification by the facility requesting the revision. In addition, it is not allowable to add interim status treatment processes to a unit that is already operating under a RCRA permit. In these cases where treatment processes may not gain interim status, a modification to the RCRA permit may be necessary to add treatment processes or operate a new unit.

**Permitted Unit:** A final option for obtaining regulatory approval for a treatment process is a RCRA permit modification. A permit is obtained by first revising Parts A and B of the RCRA permit application. As discussed, a revision to the Part A is a relatively uncomplicated process.

If a unit already operates under a RCRA permit, a revision to the Part B permit application will be necessary to add a new treatment process. The difficulty in preparing this type of revision is dependent on the complexity of the treatment activity. Generally this task is not difficult or costly.

If a unit does not already operate under a RCRA permit, a Part B application revision to add the new unit for treatment will be necessary. This is a complicated process requiring a detailed description of the design and operation of the unit and discussion on how the unit will comply with all applicable RCRA requirements. The preparation of this documentation is costly and time consuming.

Regulatory review times are dependent on the complexity of the application revisions. Reviews of modifications to existing units may take weeks while those for a new unit may take years. The review process may include the issuance of one or more Notices of Deficiency by the agencies requesting a revision to the application to add or clarify information. Once the regulatory agencies determine the modification to the permit application is complete, a draft and final permit modification is issued for the new treatment process or new treatment unit. This process is also determined by the complexity of the permit application modification.

**Wastewater and Recycling:** In addition to treatment in RCRA 90-day accumulation areas, interim status units, or permitted units, hazardous waste may be managed in a wastewater treatment facility or through recycle activities if certain conditions are met [SCHWMR R.61-79.264.1 (g) and R.61-79.265.1(c)].

Hazardous waste may be treated in an eligible wastewater treatment unit that is operated and discharged in accordance with the requirements of the South Carolina Pollution Control Act (PCA). The unit must also meet the regulatory definition of a tank. Eligible wastewater treatment units managing hazardous waste are subject to PCA performance standards and permitting requirements, but may not be subject to RCRA permitting requirements. However, there are LDR notification requirements under 40 CFR 268.7 and equivalent state hazardous waste management regulations for hazardous wastes that are managed in PCA facilities.

In some cases, treatment activities performed as a recycling operation would not be subject to RCRA permitting requirements. This exclusion is dependent on what the material is and how it is recycled.

#### **EPA Hazardous Waste Codes with Subcategories Defined under the LDR Program**

Table 1.2 lists EPA hazardous waste codes for which EPA has developed subcategories (40 CFR Sections 268.41 through 268.43, Tables CCWE, 2, 3, and CCW). For each subcategory, DOE has assigned a letter subcode. The subcategories represent unique LDR treatability groups with distinct treatment standards. In addition, DOE has assigned a subcategory (with subcode "X") for wastes that, because of a lack of characterization information, could not be put into an appropriate EPA defined subcategory. This table has been developed in support of the MWIR to provide explanation for the letter subcodes used in Chapters 3-5 of the STP, Volume II. The table may be subject to change.

**Table 1.2**  
**EPA Hazardous Waste Codes with Subcategories**

<b>EPA Code</b>	<b>Sub Code</b>	<b>Subcategory</b>	<b>Description</b>
D001	A	Ignitable liquids high TOC nonwastewaters	Ignitable liquids as defined in 40 CFR 261.21 containing 10% or greater Total Organic Carbon (TOC)
	B	Ignitable liquids, wastewaters	Ignitable wastes as identified in 40 CFR 261.21 managed as wastewater [e.g., in Clean Water Act surface impoundments or land disposal units (or their equivalent); or in Safe Drinking Water Act underground injection wells]
	C	Ignitable waste, low TOC nonwastewaters	All other ignitable waste as identified in 40 CFR 261.21 that is neither a high TOC nor managed as wastewater
D002	A	Corrosive wastewater-acid, alkaline or other	Corrosive waste, as identified in 40 CFR 261.22, managed as wastewater. [e.g., in Clean Water Act surface impoundments or land disposal units (or their equivalent); or in Safe Drinking Water Act underground injection wells]
	B	Corrosive nonwastewater-acid, alkaline or other	Corrosive waste, as identified in 40 CFR 261.22, not managed as wastewater
D003	A	Reactive cyanides	Cyanide-bearing wastes that, when exposed to pH conditions between 2 and 12.5, generate hazardous quantities of toxic gases
	B	Reactive sulfides	Sulfide-bearing wastes that, when exposed to pH conditions between 2 and 12.5, generate hazardous quantities of toxic gases
	C	Explosives	Waste capable of detonation or explosive reaction under various conditions, or is a forbidden Class A or Class B explosive under DOT regulations
	D	Water reactives	Waste, as defined in 40 CFR 261.23(a)(2), (3), or (4), that is either very reactive with water, or is capable of generating toxic or explosive gases with water
	E	Other reactives	Reactive waste that, per 40 CFR 261.23(a)(1), is normally unstable and readily undergoes violent change without detonating
D006	A	TCLP toxic for cadmium	Those wastes that exhibit the toxicity characteristic for cadmium
	B	Cadmium-containing batteries	Batteries containing leachable levels of cadmium above 1.0 mg/liter
D008	A	TCLP toxic for lead	Those wastes that exhibit the toxicity characteristic for lead
	B	Lead acid batteries	Lead acid batteries that are identified as RCRA hazardous wastes and which are not excluded from regulation under the land disposal restrictions
	C	Radioactive lead solids	Lead solids, including elemental forms of lead, but not including treatment residuals that can be stabilized or organo-lead materials that can be incinerated (then stabilized as ash)
D009	A	TCLP toxic for mercury	Nonwastewaters that exhibit the toxicity characteristic for mercury and contain less than 260 mg/kg total mercury



	B	High mercury (contains organics)	Nonwastewaters that exhibit the toxicity characteristic for mercury, contain greater than or equal to 260 mg/kg total mercury, also contain organics, and are not incinerator residues.
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**Table 1.2**  
**EPA Hazardous Waste Codes with Subcategories (cont'd)**

EPA code	Sub Code	Subcategory	Description
	C	High mercury (contains inorganics)	Nonwastewaters that exhibit the toxicity characteristic for mercury, contain greater than or equal to 260 mg/kg total mercury, are inorganic, and may include incinerator residues and residues from mercury roasting and retorting (RMERC) operations
	D	Elemental mercury contaminated with radioactive materials	Elemental mercury contaminated with radioactive materials
	E	Hydraulic oil contaminated with mercury and radioactive materials	Hydraulic oil exhibiting the toxicity characteristic for mercury and which is contaminated with radioactive materials
	F	Mercury wastewaters	All D009 waste managed as wastewater
F003	A	Spent nonhalogenated solvents	F003 solvent due to the presence of one of the following: acetone, ethyl acetate, ethyl benzene, ethyl ether, methyl isobutyl ketone, n-butyl alcohol, and xylene. Also cyclohexane, but only if F001-F005 solvents other than methanol and/or carbon disulfide (F005) are also present. Also methanol, but only if F001-F005 solvents other than cyclohexane and/or carbon disulfide (F005) are also present.
	B	Cyclohexane/methanol/carbon disulfide only	F003 solvent due to the presence of cyclohexane, methanol or carbon disulfide, but only if no other F001-F005 solvents are present (except cyclohexane, methanol and/or carbon disulfide are also present)
F005	A	Spent nonhalogenated solvents	The following spent non-halogenated solvents: benzene, isobutanol, methyl ethyl ketone, pyridine, and toluene. Also, carbon disulfide if F001-F005 solvents other than cyclohexane (F003) and/or methanol (F003) are also present. Also, 2-ethoxyethanol and 2 nitropropane, but only if other F001-F005 solvents are also present.
	B	Solvent waste listed for 2-nitropropane only	Waste containing 2-nitropropane as the only F001-F005 listed solvent
	C	Solvent waste listed for 2-ethoxyethanol only	Waste containing 2-ethoxyethanol as the only F001-F005 listed solvent

	D	Cyclohexane/methanol/ carbon disulfide only	F005 listed mixed waste for which the specific F005 constituent is not identified. F005 solvent due to the presence of carbon disulfide, but only if no other F001-F005 solvents are present, except that cyclohexane (F003) and/or methanol (F003) may also be present.
F025	A	F025 light ends	Light ends listed for one or more of the following: carbon tetrachloride; chloroform; 1, 2-Dichloroethane; 1, 1-Dichloroethylene; Methylene chloride; 1, 1, 2 Trichloroethane; Trichloroethane or vinyl chloride; plus wastes qualifying as F025 light ends, but characterization information is insufficient to determine specific contaminants.
F025	B	Spent filter/aids and desiccants	Spent filters/aids containing one or more of the following: Carbon tetrachloride, chloroform, methylene chloride, 1, 1, 2-Trichloroethane, Trichloroethylene, vinyl chloride, hexachlorobutadiene, or hexachloroethane, plus wastes qualifying as F025 spent filters/aids or desiccants, but characterization is insufficient to determine specific contaminants.

**Table 1.2**  
**EPA Hazardous Waste Codes with Subcategories (cont'd)**

<b>EPA Code</b>	<b>Sub Code</b>	<b>Subcategory</b>	<b>Description</b>
P047	A	4, 6-dinitro-o-cresol	4,6-Dinitro-o-cresol as a discarded commercial chemical product, off-specification species, container residue, or spill residue.
	B	4, 6-dinitro-o-cresol salts	4, 6-Dinitro-o-cresol salts as discarded commercial chemical products, off-specification species, container residues, or spill residues.
P059	A	Heptachlor	Heptachlor as a discarded commercial chemical product, off-specification species, container residue, or spill residue.
	B	Heptachlor epoxide	Heptachlor epoxide as a discarded commercial chemical product, off-specification species, container residue, or spill residue.
P065	A	Mercury fulminate-high mercury incinerator or RMERC residues	Nonwastewaters with greater than or equal to 260 mg/kg total mercury and that are residues from either thermal treatment or mercury roasting or retorting (RMERC) of wastes containing mercury fulminate.
	B	Mercury fulminate waste (not from thermal treatment or RMERC)	Nonwastewater mercury fulminate waste, regardless of mercury content that is neither residues from thermal treatment nor residues from RMERC.
	C	Mercury fulminate - low mercury RMERC residues	Nonwastewaters with less than 260 mg/kg total mercury and that are residues from RMERC of wastes containing mercury fulminate.
P065	D	Mercury fulminate - low mercury incinerator residues (not RMERC)	Nonwastewaters with less than 260 mg/kg total mercury and that are residues from RMERC of wastes containing mercury fulminate.

	E	Mercury fulminate wastewaters	All P065 (mercury fulminate) waste managed as wastewaters.
P092	A	Phenyl mercury acetate nonwastewater high mercury incinerator or RMERC residues	Nonwastewater phenyl mercury acetate wastes, regardless of mercury content, that are residues from either thermal treatment or mercury roasting or retorting (RMERC) of wastes containing phenyl mercury acetate.
	B	Phenyl mercury acetate nonwastewater phenyl mercury acetate waste (not from thermal treatment or RMERC)	Nonwastewater phenyl mercury acetate wastes, regardless of mercury content, that are not residues from thermal treatment or residues from RMERC.
	C	Phenyl mercury acetate nonwastewater low mercury RMERC residues	Nonwastewaters with less than 260 mg/kg total mercury and that are residues from RMERC of wastes containing phenyl mercury acetate.
	D	Phenyl mercury acetate nonwastewaters low mercury incinerator residues (not RMERC)	Nonwastewater with less than 260 mg/kg total mercury and that are residues from thermal treatment, but not RMERC, of waste containing phenyl mercury acetate.
	E	Phenyl mercury acetate wastewaters	All P092 (mercury fulminate) waste managed as wastewaters.
U151	A	High mercury nonwastewater	Nonwastewaters with greater than or equal to 260 mg/kg total mercury [including residues from mercury roasting or retorting (RMERC) of U151 waste if it contains greater than or equal to 260 mg/kg total mercury].
	B	Low mercury nonwastewaters from RMERC	Nonwastewaters with less than 260 mg/kg total mercury and that are residues from RMERC of U151 wastes
	C	Low mercury nonwastewaters	Non wastewaters with less than 260 mg/kg total mercury that are not residues from RMERC
	D	Elemental mercury contaminated with radioactive materials	
	E	Mercury wastewaters	All U151 (mercury) waste managed as wastewaters

**Table 1.2**  
**EPA Hazardous Waste Codes with Subcategories (cont'd)**

<b>EPA Code</b>	<b>Sub Code</b>	<b>Subcategory</b>	<b>Description</b>
U240	A	2, 4-D (aka dichlorophenoxyacetic acid)	2, 4-D as a discarded commercial chemical product, off-specification species, container residues, or spill residues.
	B	2,4-D (dichlorophenoxyacetic acids) salts & esters)	2, 4-D salts or esters as discarded commercial chemical products, off-specification species, container residues, or spill residues
	C	Unspecified U240 waste	U240 waste, but characterization information is insufficient to determine whether the A or B subcode is appropriate.

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## Chapter 2. Methodology

This chapter discusses the methodology for preparing the STP, including the assumptions used, the treatment option selection process, the coordination with regulatory agencies and other stakeholders, the process of mixed waste characterization, and waste minimization/pollution prevention (WMin/PP).

### 2.1 Assumptions Used for Preparation of STPs

The assumptions listed below were in effect at the time of approval of the STP on September 29, 1995. However, changes in conditions affecting the STP have occurred since approval. For example, with the signing of the Defense Authorization Bill on September 22, 1996, the No-Migration Petition requirement for the operation of WIPP was eliminated and an EPA certificate of compliance was added in place. Several treatment facilities, such as M-Area and CIF, have discontinued operations.

All sites used the following assumptions to provide a degree of consistency when preparing the STP. The assumptions were developed as a part of the "Draft Site Treatment Plan Development Framework" and reflect review and comment from the states and EPA.

- HLW will continue to be managed according to current plans at each site (i.e., Hanford, West Valley, SRS, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory [INEEL]). Primarily due to potential safety concerns, HLW will not be transported offsite except as a treated, stable waste ready for disposal. The STP will not change management strategies for HLW.
- Regarding defense-related TRU waste, the STPs reflect DOE's current strategy on the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) opening and receiving a No-Migration Variance (NMV). An NMV is approved if the disposal facility can be shown to protect the environment. Wastes disposed in such a unit are not required to meet the LDR treatment standards. The STPs identify characterization, processing, and treatment of TRU waste to meet the WIPP Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC). Consistent with this policy, treatment of mixed TRU waste to meet LDR standards will not be included in the STP.
- The STPs will recognize that DOE's policy regarding WIPP is under review and may change in the future. The STPs provide the flexibility to modify activities and milestones regarding TRU waste to reflect potential future changes in DOE policy.  
Under current DOE policy, nondefense related TRU waste would not be disposed at WIPP. STPs should reflect LDR treatment of nondefense mixed TRU waste.
- DOE recognizes some states' preference for treatment of all wastes onsite. Where appropriate, existing onsite capacity will be used before new facilities are constructed. When onsite treatment or use of commercial or mobile facilities is not feasible, the use of existing offsite capacity, as well as the construction of new facilities, will be considered.
- Sites in the same state will investigate the practicality of consolidating treatment facilities.
- Mixed waste resulting from environmental restoration (ER) and decontamination and decommissioning (D&D) activities will be factored into planning activities and equity discussions, particularly where using facilities in the STP are being considered for managing ER and D&D mixed waste streams.
- On a volume basis, most of DOE's mixed wastes are to be treated onsite. Because of transportation concerns and costs, this includes process wastewater and some explosives and remotely handled waste. In addition, other large volume waste streams generally will be treated onsite. At a minimum, Richland (RL), Oak Ridge (OR), Idaho (ID), and Savannah River (SR) are to have onsite facilities to treat the majority of their wastes.
- The Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) is being performed in parallel with the development of the STPs. The STP process will provide information to the PEIS. Each site will prepare any necessary specific National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation before proceeding with a given project or facility required by the state or EPA as a result of the STP process.
- In support of DOE's "cradle to grave" waste management philosophy, disposal site location and criteria will be factored into state equity discussions, waste treatment facility designs, and the characteristics of the final wasteforms.

In addition to the general DOE complexwide assumptions, SRS developed site-specific assumptions for use in developing the STP.

- To the extent possible, all mixed waste streams will have a preferred treatment option identified and/or option analysis complete in the STP. Those waste streams without a preferred treatment option will have a schedule for the development of the preferred option.
- All Savannah River Site high-level waste will be treated onsite.
- ER, Transition, and D&D waste streams will be addressed in the STP to the extent that they are known. The STP does not address corrective action or remedial action pursuant to RCRA, Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments, or CERCLA that do not involve the land disposal of hazardous waste (e.g., the placement of remediation wastes into or within a corrective action management unit). Corrective action or remedial action issues shall be addressed by the CERCLA Section 120 Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) effective August 16, 1993, and any hazardous waste permits issued or to be issued by the State of South Carolina and EPA or other actions under CERCLA. Methodology for modifying the STP for new ER, Transition, and D&D waste streams will be incorporated into the text of the document. Investigation Derived Waste (IDW) will be managed per the IDW Management Plan as agreed by SCDHEC, EPA - Region IV, and SRS.
- If existing onsite treatment capacity is available for a particular waste stream, no further analysis will be performed for that waste with the exception of waste streams going to the CIF. To be responsive to stakeholders, alternatives to thermal treatment were addressed. Existing mixed waste treatment facilities are those facilities at SRS that are either presently operating or under construction (i.e., having been issued regulatory operating or construction permits). Existing mixed waste treatment facilities at the Savannah River Site include Savannah River Laboratory High Activity and Low Activity Treatment Tanks, M-Area Liquid ETF, F-Area and H-Area ETF, Z-Area Processing Facility, DWPF, M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility, and CIF. Existing non-RCRA disposal facilities include the E-Area Vaults and the Z-Area Saltstone Disposal Vaults.
- Since permits had not yet been issued for the M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility at the time of STP development, the Facility was referred to as a “new facility”. However, treatment options analyses were not performed in the DSTP for the six original streams that served as a design basis for treatment by the M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility. Options analysis was conducted before the site treatment plan preparation and resulted in the selection of this treatment process that produces a superior wasteform. Options analyses for other SRS waste streams for which this technology is appropriate treatment have been done.
- Treatment schemes such as treatment in containers or containment buildings, privatization, mobile treatment, and others have been and will be investigated.
- The STP did not address moratorium waste in the preferred option analysis process.
- The level of detail for option analysis will vary in the STP from waste stream to waste stream.
- The five-year window for waste forecasting will continue to be used.
- In all relevant STP flow diagrams, after the waste has been removed from the containers, the containers will be considered “empty” according to R61-79.261.7 of South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (SCHWMR), thus requiring no treatment.

## 2.2 Treatment Options Selection Process

Because the STPs were prepared by the sites using a “bottom-up” approach, the resulting treatment configuration, when viewed from a national level, contained many redundancies and inefficiencies. The DSTP option selection process and methodology are explained in the Volume II, Sections 2.2.1, 2.2.2, and 2.2.3. As development of the STPs continued, an assessment was performed to determine what accommodations were necessary to blend the initial “bottom-up” approach into a more sensible national configuration of treatment systems as STP development was finalized. To facilitate this assessment, DOE established the Options Analysis Team (OAT) comprised of site representatives and members of the Headquarters' FFCAct Task Force. The OAT coordinated their efforts with the states through the National Governors' Association (NGA) to ensure the national mixed waste configuration reflects both the states and DOE's concerns. As part of this evaluation, the impacts of implementing the emerging STP configuration, as well as alternative configurations, were evaluated.

The focus of the OAT's efforts was on mixed low-level waste (MLLW). While the FFCAct also covers high-level waste (HLW) and mixed transuranic waste (MTRU), the strategies for managing these wastes have already been

established. However, DOE recognized that modifications of these strategies might be needed as the programs evolve, and new information becomes available.

Changes to the baseline STP configuration proposed by the OAT were based on the following analyses:

1. Review of the STP baseline configuration to identify redundant and technically inefficient proposed treatment options.
2. Identification of alternative treatment configurations that emphasize key state and DOE concerns.
3. Evaluation of the STP baseline and alternate configurations against key evaluation areas to determine what combination of treatment options results in a configuration that best meets DOE's, the states', EPA's, and other stakeholders' concerns.

The results of the initial OAT analysis were shared with each of the sites and the state regulators, as well as DOE management. The OAT worked for several more months responding to state requests for additional analysis, incorporating ongoing site analysis, and responding to comments. The resulting configuration, as presented in the final development of the PSTPs, was DOE's best attempt to balance competing DOE and stakeholder interests.

As Site Treatment Plans throughout the DOE complex are approved, DOE has created five focus groups to carry on the work of the OAT and provide oversight not only for development and implementation of treatment processes but also for disposal of treatment residuals. These focus groups address a broad range of mixed, hazardous, and low radioactive waste treatment and disposal concerns. The focus groups are Landfills, Groundwater, Mixed Waste, Tanks, and D&D.

## 2.2.1 Preferred Option (PO) Selection Process

DOE-HQ prepared several guidance documents to assist the sites in working through treatment identification and selection of preferred options. Guidance is found in these documents:

- U. S. Department of Energy, *Annotated Outline for the Draft Site Treatment Plans*, Rev. 3 – draft, March 28, 1994
- U. S. Department of Energy, *DSTP Development Framework Implementation Guidance*, Revision 0, February 15, 1994
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The Treatment Selection Guides provide information on selecting among treatment options by comparing the options on fundamental criteria such as regulatory compliance, environmental health and safety, treatment effectiveness, implementability, stakeholder concerns, life-cycle costs, and technology development. The DSTP Cost Information Guidance provides a level of consistency in the cost information by providing common cost assumptions. Drafts of these and other technical assistance documents were provided to the states and their comments incorporated into the final revision. These documents are available for review.

SRS technical personnel developed a method for selecting one preferred treatment process for each waste from a wide variety of treatment options. The SRS approach to treatment option analysis combined methods stipulated in the guidance provided by DOE (see above) with technology assessment techniques developed by WSRC. The detailed description of the treatment selection process appears in Sections 2.2.2 and 2.2.3. This process was completed for waste streams described in the PSTP. However, additional waste streams identified since the preparation of the PSTP required a technical option analysis for inclusion in the STP. As a result, it is appropriate to retain this section for the STP. Further justification for including this section is so that readers who are not



familiar with previous developments to the STP can understand preferred treatment options listed in the approved STP.

## **Options Evaluation Process**

This section contains two subsections. Subsection 2.2.2 contains an overview of the three-step process used to identify preferred options (POs). Subsection 2.2.3 contains detailed descriptions of each process step.

### **2.2.2 Process Methodology Overview**

This section describes step by step the evaluation process used to determine preferred options (POs) for waste treatment.

#### **Step 1 Identify Feasible Options**

##### **Purpose**

To identify existing treatment facilities, existing production facilities with waste treatment capabilities, and planned treatment facilities that are technically feasible options for treating the SRS mixed waste streams.

It was assumed that facility modifications, permit modifications, etc., would be achievable.

##### **Performed by**

Technical personnel from each treatment and processing facility, along with the engineers and scientists assigned to the technical group who developed the STP.

#### **Step 2 Perform Initial Screening**

##### **Purpose**

To reduce the number of feasible options by assessing the technology success of the option.

The technology success assessment addresses the maturity and complexity of a feasible option to determine “viable” treatment options.

By assigning a Technology Success Factor (TSF) score to each feasible option, the feasible options are ranked. Those feasible options that received a high score become viable options requiring further analysis. Those feasible options that received a low score were rejected.

##### **Performed by**

Technical personnel from each treatment and processing facility, along with the engineers and scientists assigned to the technical group (IDOA), who developed the STP will perform the initial screening.

#### **Step 3 Perform In-Depth Options Analysis (IDOA)**

##### **Purpose**

The purpose of the IDOA is to identify the PO for each waste stream.

##### **Performed by**

Technical personnel from each treatment and processing facility, along with the engineers and scientists assigned to the technical group who developed the STP will perform the IDOA process.

## 2.2.3 Process Methodology Detailed Explanation

For those mixed low-level waste streams requiring In-Depth Options Analysis (IDOA) to determine the preferred treatment option, the in-depth analysis considered five types of treatment:

- Existing onsite treatment facilities (e.g., F-Area and H-Area ETF)
- Existing production facilities with some potential capability to treat waste, or available floor space that could be refurbished to accommodate installation of treatment processes under the “Containment Building” provision of 40 CFR 265 and SCHWMR
- Planned treatment facilities
- Vendor processes operated either onsite or at the vendor's facility
- Waste treatment processing available from other DOE sites

### Initial Screening

#### Technology Risk Assessment and Technology Success Factor

A methodology for assessing technology risk of a process or facility based upon *Risk Management Concepts and Guidance* written by the Analytical Sciences Corporation for the Defense Systems Management College was used. The methodology was originally developed by the Department of Defense (DOD) to assist with evaluation of new weapons systems.

The “risk” assessed in a technology risk assessment is the possibility that a process under consideration may be too new and too complex to perform as required. This type of assessment is biased in favor of simple and well established technology. According to the WSRC *Conduct of Engineering Manual E7*, Procedure 2.16, “Technology Risk Assessment,” some questions to help determine technology risk indicators include:

- Are state-of-the-art advances in technology being used in the design?
- Is the equipment exposed to a harsh or unique environment?
- Does the design require complex integration of control systems or computer software?
- Is the design based on research and development or does it use mathematical models for prediction?
- Is the cost of recovery from system failure high?
- Is the design evolving as construction is going on?
- Is the design new or an extension of successful existing designs?
- Are familiar components being used in new, non-standard ways?
- Does the facility or process stand alone or must it interface with other facilities or processes?

Technology risk assessment does not determine whether the process or system is safe. Special analyses done in the design phase of a project ensure that new processes pose no hazard to workers, the public, or the environment.

No process or facility can be simpler than its most complex part or more mature than its newest part. Thus, a technology risk assessment begins with an examination of the whole process or facility to identify the part that has the most complex and the least mature technology. While the interaction of numerous parts and features may result in an overall process that is more complex and novel than its individual pieces, the identification of the crucial part is the first step in assessing the probability of a process or system failure.

The Maturity Factor (Pm) and the Complexity Factor (Pc) are assigned “magnitudes,” based on guidance in Table 2.1. When engineering assessment indicates the factors fall between the extremes noted, other magnitudes can be assigned. The Maturity and Complexity Factors are averaged to give the probability of failure (Pf).  $(Pm + Pc)/2 = Pf$ .

**Table 2.1 – Probability of Failure**

<b>Magnitude</b>	<b>Maturity Factor (Pm)</b>	<b>Complexity Factor (Pc)</b>
0.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Components exist.</li> <li>• Performance requirements are specific.</li> <li>• Design is not based on numerous, wide-ranging assumptions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design is simple.</li> <li>• Design is complete before installation begins.</li> <li>• New process or facility has few interfaces with other facilities, or processes.</li> </ul>
0.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Components are used in non-standard ways.</li> <li>• Requirements are changing.</li> <li>• Design is based on major assumptions that have a significant impact on the design output.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design has many interconnected facets.</li> <li>• Construction has begun on some parts of the process or facility without the whole design being finalized.</li> <li>• Process or facility must interface with other processes or facilities to achieve overall objectives.</li> </ul>
0.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design is state-of-the-art.</li> <li>• Research is still on-going.</li> <li>• Functional processes have not been built.</li> <li>• Requirements are undefined.</li> <li>• Design is based largely on assumption instead of fact.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design is very complex.</li> <li>• Design and construction are proceeding almost at the same time.</li> <li>• Process or facility depends on new and extensive software.</li> <li>• Process or facility is a vital part of an interdependent group of other facilities.</li> </ul>

Next, a magnitude is assigned to the consequence of failure (Cf). Such consequences range from minor inconveniences from which recovery is quick and inexpensive, to technical catastrophes from which recovery, if possible at all, is prolonged and costly. Table 2.2 provides the guidance for assigning the magnitude.

**Table 2.2 – Consequences of Failure**

<b>Magnitude</b>	<b>Consequences of Failure (Cf)</b>
0.1 (low)	Minimal, or no consequences, unimportant
0.3 (minor)	Small reduction in technical performance
0.5 (moderate)	Some reduction in technical performance
0.7 (significant)	Degradation in technical performance
0.9 (high)	Technical goal cannot be achieved

For all assessments of the technology risk of the waste treatment options, a Cf was chosen equal to 0.7. Should a preferred treatment option suffer a technical failure, it was postulated that the result would be a costly and time-consuming redesign to develop another process to meet requirements. Until the redesign was complete and implemented, waste treatment performance would be significantly degraded.

The maturity and complexity factors are combined with the consequence factor in an equation to give the risk factor (RF):

$$RF = (Pf + Cf) - (Pf \times Cf)$$

The resulting risk factor (RF) is a number between 0.19 and 0.99.

$$\text{If } Pf = 0.1 \text{ and } Cf = 0.1, \text{ then } RF = (0.1 + 0.1) - (0.1 \times 0.1) = 0.19$$

$$\text{If Pf} = 0.9 \text{ and Cf} = 0.9, \text{ then RF} = (0.9 + 0.9) - (0.9 \times 0.9) = 0.99$$

As can be seen from the above, the closer the RF is to 0.99 the greater the technology risk.

In the model used to screen and evaluate waste treatment options, numbers ranging from 0 to 100 were assigned to treatment option attributes with high numbers representing more desirable features. To make technology risk assessment scores work the same way (high numbers indicating a low technology risk), the risk factor was converted arithmetically to a number between 0 and 100 and called the Technology Success Factor (TSF). A TSF score near 100 indicates a high degree of simplicity and maturity for a treatment option.

In the initial screening of treatment options, those with TSF scores under 50 were discarded. It means only that, at this time, such technologies remain unproved and cannot be recommended in the Site Treatment Plan. Other departments at SRS are investigating and encouraging innovative waste treatment technologies. When these technologies mature, the SRS waste management approach will assess them for the Site's waste treatment program.

### **In-Depth Options Analysis (IDOA)**

After the elimination of those treatment options with a low possibility for technological success, most waste streams still had several viable treatment options. It became necessary to choose the "best" treatment for each waste stream. To determine the best option, all viable treatment options were subjected to an In-Depth Options Analysis. Comparison among treatment options for a given waste stream is facilitated when each option can be assigned a number that reflects the degree to which the option satisfies a set of criteria or requirements. The method of developing a numerical ranking of treatment options is known as the IDOA model.

The IDOA process took several steps:

1. Attributes by which all treatment processes would be analyzed were determined.
2. The relative importance of the attributes was determined.
3. The IDOA model was applied to each viable treatment option.
4. Engineering assessment took the IDOA model results into account with other factors to determine the Preferred Option to treat a given waste stream.

The categories and attributes analyzed were:

#### **Process Parameters**

- Volume alteration
- Secondary waste generation
- Destruction, removal, and demobilization efficiency
- Flexibility
- Ability to be shipped
- Final wasteform

#### **Engineering Parameters**

- System implementability
- Availability
- Scalability
- Remedial measures
- Schedule for treatment of waste

#### **Personnel Parameters**

- Consequences of unmitigated accident scenarios
- Non operational worker potential exposure
- Operational worker potential exposure
- Transportation potential exposure

#### Regulatory Parameters

- Need for a variance
- Ability to obtain a permit
- Waste disposal

#### Public Acceptance

- Public acceptance

#### Cost Considerations

- Life-cycle cost
- Funding availability

#### Industry Involvement

- Market for technology
- Private sector involvement

“Enabling statements,” clarifying the above attributes, assisted with the process expert's evaluation of treatment options. The “enabling statements” appear in Table 2.3. The attributes and enabling statements formed the basis with which “viable” treatment processes were assessed and compared.

To evaluate a viable treatment option, a team of waste treatment process experts applied the enabling statements to each option. The team assigned a number from 0 (low) to 100 (high) to each attribute. The score reflected the experts' assessment of how well the process satisfied the requirement posed by the attribute.

For example, consider the attribute of “Secondary Waste Generation”. If the process produced a small quantity, all of which could be handled by existing technologies, the process experts would give the process a “high” numerical rating (median 80). If the process produced as much as 10% additional waste that existing technologies could handle, the process experts rated it “medium” (median 50). If the process produced large amounts of secondary waste, or if existing technologies could not handle the secondary waste, the experts rated it “low” (median 20). If the experts felt a score other than the median better reflected conditions, they could assign another number, provided they gave an explanation for the variation (e.g., in the preceding case, if the process produced 20% additional secondary waste, the evaluation would include a statement such as “subtract 10 points because of additional waste generation”).

For the cost attribute, a team of cost estimators determined the life-cycle cost. The estimators developed:

- Operating and maintenance cost for the life of the facility
- Disposal cost of all final wasteforms in compliance with LDR
- Decontamination and decommissioning cost to return the facility to a safe and environmentally benign condition at the end of its useful life.

The process experts' evaluation resulted in a raw *technical* score for each attribute, and inclusion of the cost estimators' life-cycle cost data resulted in a raw *total* score. Nevertheless, these raw scores did not reflect the relative importance of the attributes. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), a group of experienced technical experts with backgrounds in engineering design, environmental protection, process technology, safety, and health, was appointed to oversee the treatment selection process. They recognized that not applying a weighting factor to each attribute assigned the same weight to all of them. So, the Technical Advisory Committee proposed a weight for each factor. The weighting factors were then reviewed and modified by independent reviewers, regulators, and a citizens' focus group. The final weight factors appear in Table 2.3.

Each option's weighted technical scores were summed. The total fell between 0 (least preferable) and 100 (most preferable). The sums enabled the treatment option to be ranked according to the technical weighted score. Then, the weighted life-cycle cost data were added to the technical weighted score in a way that ensured that the cost of a treatment facility was equitably apportioned among the waste streams that would be processed using that facility. This resulted in a total weighted score. The IDOA model generated the technical and total weighted

scores for each treatment option. These IDOA model scores were useful tools to narrow the entire population of options.

- The IDOA model ensured the same attributes were analyzed for every process or facility.
- The IDOA model provided some guidance to help make analyses consistent among the facilities.
- The IDOA model enhanced the engineering assessment by incorporating consistent structure and logic.

Application of the IDOA model ensures consistency and completeness in performing the in-depth analysis of the potential treatment options associated with each waste stream. The primary function of the model is to lower the number of possible treatment options to a more manageable number for further analysis and review. The model was not developed to provide a clear PO winner, and the reader is cautioned against believing that the PO having the best model score is the PO of choice. On the contrary, the application of the model results in a smaller set of POs that may have model scores within a 10 to 15% range of each other that serve as the focus of further analysis. It was not expected, and in practice has not always been the case, that the treatment with the best model score is the PO of choice.

Sixteen of the waste streams also have treatment options proposed by outside vendors. Many of these options, however, remain technologically unproven. The vendors have offered to perform studies to demonstrate that their technology can produce a wasteform that will meet LDRs. A separate task team is working with the vendor proposals to determine which technologies appear worthy of further investigation. As rapidly as procurement rules allow, and as completely as budgetary constraints permit, contracts are being made with vendors to pursue the most promising innovative treatment methods.

Nonetheless, the technical viability of these technologies has been assumed, and hypothetical vendor processes have been projected, to permit application of the IDOA model and a comparison of the potential vendor processes with other treatment options. In the months ahead, successful vendors' studies will be translated into process designs that can be compared with the preferred options selected. This comparison will verify the conclusions drawn from the potential vendors' processes and may reveal a vendor treatment technology for a waste stream that is preferable to the option previously favored.

**Table 2.3 – Attributes and Enabling Statements for Options Analysis**

<b>Wt.</b>	<b>Attribute</b>	<b>High Score Median 80</b>	<b>Medium Score Median 50</b>	<b>Low Score Median 20</b>
22%	<b>PROCESS PARAMETERS</b>			
5%	Volume Alteration	A factor of 5 reduction of waste occurs.	The volume is maintained at 1:1 after processing.	The volume is increased by a factor of 2 or more after processing.
4%	Secondary Waste Generation	A small quantity is produced, all of which can be handled by existing technologies.	An additional amount of waste, in the range of 10%, is generated, which can be handled by existing technologies.	Large quantities are produced, or existing technologies are not available for treatment.
2%	Destruction Removal, and Demobilization Efficiency	All applicable LDR standards are met.	Additional LDR treatment is required for some of the constituents; technology exists.	Additional treatment is required to meet requirements, and technology does not exist, or requires modification.
3%	Flexibility	The process can treat waste streams of similar compositions to that assumed as a design basis without producing a final wasteform that fails to meet requirement. The process does not need to be reconfigured or monitored with special care to meet throughput specifications.	The process can treat waste streams of similar compositions to that assumed as a design basis without producing a final wasteform that fails to meet requirement; but the process must either be reconfigured or monitored with special care to meet throughput specifications.	The process cannot treat waste streams of compositions that differ from that assumed as a design basis. Special care must be taken to monitor influent streams to ensure that they conform to the composition assumed as a design basis.
2%	Ability to be Shipped	Treatment residuals meet shipping requirements without any additional treatment.	Treatment residuals require simple physical treatment to meet shipping requirements.	Treatment residuals require extensive treatment to meet shipping requirements or technologies do not exist.
6%	Final Wasteform	Wasteform meets the expected disposal WAC.	Final forms require additional treatment to meet disposal WAC; technologies exist.	A significant additional treatment is required before disposal or technologies do not exist.
19%	<b>ENGINEERING PARAMETERS</b>			
13%	System Implement-ability	Most of the elements and processes have been previously demonstrated on similar uses and applications.	50% or fewer of the elements have been previously demonstrated on similar uses and applications.	Few or none of the elements have been demonstrated.
3%	Availability	Key components arranged in similar systems have resulted in availability greater than 80%.	Process is expected to be available about 50% of the time.	Process is expected to be available about 20% of the time, or large uncertainties exist in ability to predict availability.
1%	Scalability	Process can be easily expanded to take advantage of economies of scale. Also, processes go from laboratory scale directly to plant scale.	Process can accept a range of input but has limitations for expansion. Also, pilot scale tests are required before plant-scale design.	Process cannot be expanded to take advantage of economies of scale. Also, laboratory or pilot scale testing would be impractical, or not yield meaningful results. Plant-scale design must come directly from engineering calculations.

1%	Remedial Measures	Process failure or malfunction does not create a waste that cannot be treated by other means; alternative treatment methods for the original waste exist and can be implemented within three months of recognition of need.	Process failure or malfunction creates other wastes that must be characterized to determine treatability; alternative treatment methods must be developed to treat new waste created by the process malfunction.	Process failure or malfunction creates other wastes for which there is no known treatment; no alternative methods for treatment of original waste exist.
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**Table 2.3 – Attributes and Enabling Statements for Options Analysis (cont'd)**

<b>Wt.</b>	<b>Attribute</b>	<b>High Score Median 80</b>	<b>Medium Score Median 50</b>	<b>Low Score Median 20</b>
1%	Schedule for Treatment of Waste	A schedule for addressing and processing waste can be determined with high confidence.	Some technology issues can produce uncertainty in schedule development. System complexities may prolong schedule.	Availability, technology or flexibility issues severely limit confidence in developing schedules. Extensive training, system, and operational complexity may also create problems.
6%	Consequence of Unmitigated Accident Scenarios	There are little or no facility emissions for routine operations under all but the most catastrophic accidents.	There are little or no emissions for routine operations, but significant releases occur under most accident scenarios.	There are marginally acceptable releases under routine operations or extensive releases under most accident scenarios.
6%	Non-Operational Worker Potential Exposure	Significantly fewer workers required to construct and decommission a facility with the proposed process as compared to other technologies. There is lower than average non-routine maintenance.	Average number of workers and non-routine maintenance required.	The process is more complex than average facility construction. Non-routine maintenance and decommissioning is required.
6%	Operational Worker Potential Exposure	There are significantly fewer workers potentially exposed or the potential exposure is much lower than average.	There are an average number of workers and potential exposure levels.	There are a greater than average number of workers or there is a greater than average potential exposure to the work force.
2%	Transportation Potential Exposure	No transportation of treated or untreated waste is required.	Limited additional characterization is required to support transportation, no new packaging/ certification facilities required, and limited number of waste transports are required.	Significant additional waste characterization is required for transportation, new packaging/ certification facilities are required, a large number of waste transports are needed, or a large number of miles are required for each waste shipment.
14%	<b>REGULATORY PARAMETERS</b>			
4%	Need for Variance	Processes are in full compliance with all applicable regulations with little or no difficulty or with no process modifications.	Processes are in partial compliance with all applicable regulations with little or no difficulty. Full compliance may be achieved through requests for variances or with limited modifications to the process.	Majority of the applicable regulations cannot be met without vast modifications to the process or other extensive variances.

6%	Ability to Obtain a Permit	Permitting process is well-defined and relevant precedents for success have been established. Similar processes have been previously permitted by the regulatory agencies (primarily SCDHEC) with little or no difficulty.	Process or key elements have been permitted elsewhere, but some key differences may exist (for example, differences in waste streams, or waste stream characterization). Similar processes have been previously permitted by the regulatory agencies (primarily SCDHEC) with moderate difficulty.	The process is unproved technology or a new arena of application or the need for multiple permits builds in substantial permitting barriers. Similar processes have been previously permitted by the regulatory agencies (primarily SCDHEC) with extreme difficulty or have never been previously permitted.
4%	Waste Disposal	80% of both primary and secondary wastes have been rendered non-hazardous. The other 20% remain hazardous.	50% of both primary and secondary wastes have been rendered non-hazardous. The other 50% remain hazardous.	80% of both primary and secondary wastes remain hazardous. The other 20% have been rendered non-hazardous.

**Table 2.3 – Attributes and Enabling Statements for Options Analysis (cont'd)**

<b>Wt.</b>	<b>Attribute</b>	<b>High Score Median 80</b>	<b>Medium Score Median 50</b>	<b>Low Score Median 20</b>
9%	<b>PUBLIC ACCEPTANCE</b>			
9%	Public Acceptance	Stakeholders accept the process and the risks. Similar processes have been publicly acknowledged by stakeholders as being acceptable.	Some stakeholder concerns that could affect successful utilization of the technology. Stakeholders have publicly stated reservations about the safety or effectiveness of similar processes.	Significant stakeholder concerns about process. Stakeholders have publicly stated disapproval about the safety or effectiveness of similar processes, or stakeholder opinion is unknown.
14%	<p>Life-cycle Cost <i>Costs Developed According To DSTP Cost Guidance Rev. 1.</i></p> <p>Costs are estimated for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• pre-operating costs</li> <li>• facility costs</li> <li>• operating and maintenance costs</li> <li>• disposal cost</li> <li>• decontamination and decommissioning costs</li> </ul> <p>The <b>SUM</b> of the above costs is assigned a score in proportion to where it falls between \$1 and \$35 million. The higher the cost, the lower the score. Any cost totaling more than \$35 million receives a score of zero.</p>			
1%	Funding Availability	Life-cycle costs can be supported within target budget.	Life-cycle costs can be supported with less than 10% increase in target funding levels.	Line item funding required at high-levels.
1%	<b>INDUSTRY INVOLVEMENT</b>			
0.5%	Market for Technology	Numerous markets are identified within and outside DOE. More than three DOE and commercial nuclear facilities have similar wastes.	More than one market is identified within and outside DOE. Two DOE and commercial nuclear facilities have similar wastes.	No markets or needs are identified. SRS waste is unique.
0.5%	Private Sector Involvement	A private sector technology company is identified with experience and interest and the company has experience in permitting activities. A vendor has submitted a proposal and has permitting experience.	A private sector party has expressed an interest; however, has little or no experience in this type of activity or permitting process. A vendor with non-technical experience has submitted a proposal.	No private sector companies have expressed an interest or a need for the technology.

## Engineering Assessment

The last step in the IDOA was to perform an engineering assessment, taking into account the score generated by the IDOA model. While application of the IDOA model analyzed the degree to which the treatment option satisfied the requirements of the prescribed attributes, engineering assessment took a broader perspective, considering factors that combine to identify the preferred treatment option.

## **2.3 Coordination with Regulatory Agencies and Other Stakeholders**

### **Coordination with Regulatory Agencies**

The Federal Facility Compliance Act (FFCAct) offered an opportunity for DOE and the state and EPA regulators who approved the plans to work cooperatively toward defining mixed waste treatment strategies. As requested by the states, DOE signed a cooperative agreement in August 1993 with the National Governor's Association (NGA) to facilitate the DOE-to-state interactions. The NGA has sponsored national meetings on a routine basis with DOE, the states, EPA, and the Indian Nations throughout development of the STPs.

### **Public Participation**

The FFCAct requires the states and EPA to provide for public involvement after the Proposed Plans are submitted. DOE has provided additional opportunities for public input into the development of Conceptual Site Treatment Plans (CSTP) and Draft Site Treatment Plans (DSTP) through existing public involvement mechanisms at the site.

The public has been informed and invited to participate throughout the STP development process. In December 1993, a CSTP fact sheet was mailed to stakeholders on the Site's public involvement distribution list. In response to the fact sheet, citizens volunteered to participate in a focus group to look at three STP development documents: the Site Treatment Plan Assumption List, Site Treatment Plan Development Flowchart, and Site Treatment Plan In-Depth Options Analysis Model.

The focus group, which consisted of volunteers from the general public and members of the Citizens Advisory Board (CAB), met on May 9, 1994, to give comments on the documents. Representatives of SCDHEC also attended the meeting. SRS considered the comments and made revisions to the DSTP based on the expressed concerns.

The DSTP also was discussed at the SRS Waste Management Environmental Impact Statement (WMEIS) informational workshops held in April 1994 and the WMEIS scoping hearings held in May 1994.

When the DSTP was issued, SRS also issued a fact sheet summarizing the highlights of the plan and conducted DSTP public workshops and briefings for special interest groups. Information about other sites that identified SRS as a preferred option for the treatment of their mixed waste streams was provided. A public workshop was held in Aiken on the afternoon and evening of October 4, 1994. In addition, an edited videotape of the workshop was carried on cable channels in Augusta, Columbia, and Savannah. Showings of the video were given on October 11, 12, and 13. After each presentation SRS personnel were available to answer questions and take comments over a toll-free number that was flashed on the screen at the time of the video viewing.

Copies of the Savannah River Site DSTP and executive summary and other sites' DSTPs were placed in the Public Reading Room at the University of South Carolina (USC) Aiken library. The plan's availability and public workshops were announced through public service announcements, newspaper, television and radio advertisements, and news releases using the Site's media list. Copies of the DSTP were mailed to stakeholders upon request.

SRS representatives offered briefings on the highlights of the DSTP to interested community groups. Stakeholders attending the public workshops were invited to give comments at the workshop or to provide them later. Stakeholders who attended the public workshop or called on the toll-free number after the videotape viewings were invited to participate in focus group meetings to provide further comment on the DSTP. Focus group meetings were held on October 18, 20, and 26. Although sparsely attended, some valuable input was provided and incorporated into the PSTP. Comments, also accepted through the mail, were considered in the development of the Proposed STP (PSTP).

Copies of the PSTP, Executive Summary, and other sites' plans were placed in the Public Reading Room at USC-Aiken. The public was made aware of the plan's availability through public service announcements, newspaper, television and radio advertisements, and news releases using the site's media list. A revised fact sheet was developed and issued to stakeholders. Stakeholders were informed that comments on the PSTP could be submitted to SCDHEC.

The PSTP was submitted to SCDHEC on March 30, 1995. Under requirements of the FFCAct, SCDHEC then assumed responsibility for public notice. SCDHEC performed an internal review and put a modified PSTP out for a 45-day public review and comment period beginning on July 14, 1995. The public notice period concluded with a public hearing held on August 30, 1995. SCDHEC reviewed public comments and requested changes to the PSTP where appropriate.

SCDHEC requested changes to the PSTP as a result of responses from the public as well as its own review. During September 1995, SRS and SCDHEC combined discussion on language for the Consent Order and changes to the PSTP. On September 20, 1995, SCDHEC approved the PSTP with modification and issued a proposed Consent Order 95-22-HW for the implementation of the STP. SRS submitted the requested modifications. The Consent Order was signed by all parties and became effective on September 29, 1995, after which time the modified PSTP became the approved STP or, simply, the STP.

The Consent Order 95-22-HW includes a provision for public notice and comment on changes that SRS may propose to waste stream treatments in future modifications to the STP. This helps to keep stakeholders aware of future change in treatment strategies as technologies evolve.

## Conclusion

The Savannah River Site developed an aggressive and active public participation plan, which comprehensively included surrounding communities, regulatory agencies, and other identified stakeholders. The overall purpose was to ensure the public participation program for the STP was proactive, responsive to public concerns, and serves the best interests of stakeholders and the DOE. Activities were designed to meet the overall program objectives, coordinate with other activities, and provide opportunity for meaningful public involvement.

## National Level

At the national level, DOE presented information on the development of the STPs to the Environmental Management Advisory Board, and held an open house in Washington, DC when the Draft Plans were released. DOE also met informally with representatives of Indian tribes and separately with representatives of other groups that had interest in Site Treatment Plan development. The purpose of the meeting was to determine if there were national issues that had not been identified through site-specific activities. Additional opportunities to obtain input at the national level may be offered in coordination with the states and EPA. The Center for Environmental Management provides information on Act activities at the national level (1-800-736-3282; 202-863-5084 in Washington, DC).

## 2.4 Mixed Waste Characterization

### General

Westinghouse Savannah River Company (WSRC) is responsible for day-to-day management and operation of the waste management programs for the Department of Energy. DOE provides oversight and overall direction for solid waste management programs at SRS.

The process for defining and determining whether a waste material or stream is hazardous or nonhazardous is defined in the WSRC *Environmental Compliance Manual* (ECM) Procedure 6.03 as well as the Waste Acceptance Criteria Manual, 1S. The requirements of the ECM are applicable to WSRC and its subcontractors handling wastes and making the determination of whether the wastes are hazardous or nonhazardous as defined by the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act and the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management

Regulations. Specific guidance and requirements for making these determinations are provided in the SRS *Waste Disposal Manual*, WSRC-IM-90-138. By Memoranda of Understanding, other site organizations such as the U. S. Forest Service have agreed to abide by WSRC requirements when WSRC services or facilities are utilized.

As described below, SRS is composed of several major facilities, each with its own operating and support organizations. A number of these organizations play a role in characterizing waste at SRS.

## Facility Management and Environmental Compliance Authorities

Facility Management ensures the facility is in compliance with all applicable federal/state regulations and site requirements. This includes management of waste generated and stored at the facility, including characterization of the waste prior to shipment to an onsite or offsite waste storage, treatment, or disposal facility.

Each major facility, group of facilities, or operating organization has a designated Environmental Compliance Authority (ECA) to advise and assist facility management in developing and maintaining the facility's environmental programs. The ECAs are individuals knowledgeable of environmental regulations and how the regulations apply to those facilities for which the ECAs are responsible.

ECM Procedure 6.03 requires the ECA or department representative at the facility or area generating a waste first to determine whether a waste is hazardous. If information to determine that a waste is hazardous is unavailable or inadequate, the waste is sampled and analyzed, provided sampling and analysis does not result in excess exposure of personnel to radiation.

The facility or area generating a waste also is responsible for preparing a waste characterization form for each routinely generated waste stream. The completed form is submitted to the Solid Waste Division (SWD) Department. The generator of a new waste must work closely with SWM and the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) to ensure the new waste can be managed under existing permits and that adequate onsite or offsite storage, treatment, and disposal capacity is available; or that, until sufficient waste volume is generated, satellite accumulation areas and/or 90-day staging areas are established in compliance with RCRA regulations. The generator also is responsible for determining appropriate EPA/SCDHEC hazardous waste codes and assigning appropriate SRS Hazardous Waste Index (HWI) number(s) for quarterly hazardous waste reporting purposes. A waste characterization form also must be completed when a new hazardous waste stream is generated or a hazardous waste generation process has changed.

## Environmental Protection Department (EPD) and Office of General Counsel (OGC)

The EPD is the WSRC organization responsible for coordinating and overseeing sitewide environmental protection programs and assisting operating organizations with compliance issues including waste characterization. The WSRC OGC is consulted in all matters pertaining to environmental compliance that may have legal implications.

The *SRS Waste Disposal Manual*, prepared by EPD, includes a section on the identification and characterization of hazardous waste. The manual summarizes the applicable federal and state environmental regulations and provides site guidance for identifying, characterizing, managing, transporting, treating, storing, and disposing of mixed, hazardous, and nonhazardous waste. In addition, the *Waste Disposal Manual* provides guidance for waste minimization and environmental training.

The EPD issues regulatory guidance in the form of letters and memoranda to various site organizations to address specific regulatory questions as they arise. Many of these memoranda and letters are issued to provide guidance on the proper classification of a waste. These memoranda and letters are included in an appendix to the *Waste Disposal Manual*. The manual is updated periodically to incorporate changes in the regulations and add newly issued internal guidance documents. These periodic updates are issued to the custodians of each copy of the *Waste Disposal Manual* through the WSRC Document Control Section.

## Environmental Health and Program Support Department

The Environmental Health and Program Support Department (EH&PSD) serves as the primary resource to various site waste generators during the preliminary waste identification and characterization phase. EH&PSD provides hazardous waste sampling services conducted in accordance with a sampling plan. These sampling plans are developed to ensure that sampling is representative, that sample collection and shipping meet regulatory protocols, and that proper analytical methods are requested. Alternatively, site organizations may collect their own samples. EH&PSD offers consultation services to those organizations. Technical support is available to waste generators for sampling activities involving radioactive wastes. EH&PSD has also developed sitewide sampling guidance. EH&PSD directs samples to onsite laboratories for screening prior to offsite shipments and also works with the Environmental Monitoring Section (EMS) to ship samples to offsite laboratories for analysis. To the extent possible, EH&PSD sends hazardous waste samples it collects to SCDHEC-certified laboratories. However, in some cases, because of high radioactivity levels or need for specialized analytical techniques, analyses are conducted onsite. EH&PSD also provides technical review services for analytical data generated by offsite laboratories. Assistance on the statistical aspects of a sampling plan can be obtained from the Applied Statistics Group, Scientific Computations Section of the Savannah River Technology Center.

### Solid Waste Division

The Solid Waste Division (SWD) is responsible for management of many of the facilities for waste treatment storage and disposal at SRS. SWD also coordinates all offsite shipment and disposal of hazardous waste.

SWD issued the *SRS Waste Acceptance Criteria Manual* (1S Manual) for developing a waste classification system for managing each waste type, establishing waste acceptance criteria (WAC) for storage and disposal facilities, and instituting a Waste Certification Program to assure the waste received for treatment, storage, or disposal at SWD facilities meets the waste acceptance criteria (WAC).

The 1S Manual requires each generator that delivers waste to treatment, storage, or disposal facilities to implement a Waste Certification Program. This program provides assurance that the requirements for waste acceptance by the receiving facility are met. Waste certification provides assurance that waste has been properly identified, characterized, segregated, packaged, and shipped to the appropriate receiving facility in accordance with that receiving facility's waste acceptance criteria (WAC). Under this program, each waste generator designates a Generator Certification Official (GCO) to administer the waste generator's certification program and to assure that the waste generator's waste management programs implement and document controls to meet established waste acceptance criteria.

The SWD reviews and assesses a waste generator's certification plan, characterization methodology, other documentation, and procedures to assure compliance with the certification plan and TSD facility requirements. The SWD Department is responsible for performing surveillances, audits, or assessments of the waste generator's waste certification program as needed and for providing guidance and assistance.

### Process Knowledge, Sampling, and Analysis

Hazardous waste management regulations obligate the generator of a solid waste to "determine if that waste is a hazardous waste". The generator may accomplish this by testing the waste according to the methods set forth in Subpart C, or according to an equivalent method approved under 40 CFR 260.21. The regulations also allow the generator to apply "knowledge of the hazard characteristic of the waste in light of the materials or the processes used" to make the hazardous waste determination. This approach is generally referred to as a "process knowledge" determination.

Guidance has been provided to SRS waste generators in both the Waste Disposal and 1S Manuals that the ideal way to determine if a waste is characteristically hazardous is by collecting and analyzing a representative sample of the waste. Generators are directed to *Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods* (EPA Publication SW-846, Third Edition, November 1986) for the methods necessary to ensure that a sampling program meets this objective. SW-846 cautions against the "haphazardly selected sample". As indicated above,

technical support to waste generators is available from the EH&PSD for sampling activities involving radioactive wastes. EH&PSD also provides technical review services for waste characterization analytical data.

Although generators are strongly encouraged to make hazardous waste determinations based on representative samples, it is recognized that this is not always possible. Many of the waste streams onsite are nonhomogeneous job control or debris type waste making it extremely difficult to obtain a sample that is conclusively "representative."

To supplement information provided in SW-846, SRS has developed internal procedures to provide instructions to waste sampling personnel for collecting representative samples. This sampling procedure has been developed by the Analytical Laboratories Section and is found in the Westinghouse Savannah River Company procedure manual L3.13, PRR 4326 J.

Some SRS waste streams contain levels of radioactivity sufficient to make sampling prohibitively expensive or prevent strict adherence with the sampling and analytical protocols in SW-846. For waste streams such as these, the provision to allow characterization by process knowledge is exceptionally important when the unique difficulties presented by the radioactive component of the waste are considered. Paramount among these difficulties is the control of radiation exposure of personnel during collection, packaging, transportation, and analysis of samples.

An overriding principle of working with radioactive materials is maintaining personnel exposure to radiation at levels that are "as low as reasonably achievable" or ALARA. This principle includes not only exposure of the whole body or extremities to external sources of radiation but also control of surface and airborne radioactive contamination to prevent exposures through inhalation, skin absorption, or ingestion of the radioactive materials. The presence of radioactivity also adds other administrative and regulatory requirements to transporters who must comply with Department of Transportation regulations for the transport of radioactive materials. Commercial laboratories that analyze mixed waste samples must be properly licensed to receive, analyze, and dispose of radioactive materials. The processing and disposal of hazardous waste that is also radioactive requires additional specialized equipment, handling, and technologies which adequately address the radioactivity concerns in addition to the regulatory requirements for hazardous constituents.

Approximately 95% of the total volume of mixed waste being generated or currently in storage at SRS is characterized by sampling and analysis. In addition, a number of streams are hazardous for toxic metals that are used for their unique properties, and their classification is relatively straightforward. Thus, there is a high degree of confidence that approximately 75% of the current or past wastes are appropriately classified. However, it is possible that some of the listed waste streams (for example, solvent rags used for cleaning and decontamination) that have not been sampled may contain trace quantities of toxic metals. Where this is known to be a possibility, other waste codes that are thought to be appropriate have been conservatively added to those waste streams.

## Radiological Characterization

A variety of methods are used to characterize the radioactive component of mixed waste. This includes hand held portable monitoring instruments used by Health Protection personnel to conduct measurements of radioactivity levels in the work environment. These instruments are capable of measuring alpha, beta, neutron, and gamma radiation. Although less sophisticated and less precise than laboratory measurements of waste samples, this instrumentation provides the means to quantify the level of radioactivity in mixed waste for the purpose of controlling exposure of personnel to levels that are ALARA. Field measurements can also be used to provide a conservative estimate of the amount of radioactivity present. More precise determination of the amount and type of radioactive material present in a waste material can be made by analyzing a representative sample of the material in a counting or radiochemical laboratory. The sample may or may not be prepared using various chemical separation, purification, and concentration techniques to enhance the overall sensitivity of the analytical technique. Typical laboratory instruments used to analyze or count prepared samples include gas-flow proportional counters for analysis of alpha and nonvolatile beta emitters, liquid scintillation counters for use in analyzing for low energy beta emitters such as tritium, silicon surface barrier detectors used for alpha particle spectroscopy measures, and high-purity germanium detectors used for gamma-ray spectroscopy to identify and quantify specific gamma-emitting radionuclides.



Transuranic (TRU) waste is waste containing an alpha-emitting transuranic isotope (atomic number greater than 92) with a half-life greater than 20 years and containing more than 100 nanocuries per gram (nCi/g) of radioactivity. A combination of process knowledge and instrument measurement is used to determine if a waste is TRU waste. Waste in contact with TRU material in facility gloveboxes is automatically assumed to be TRU waste and handled accordingly. This waste is placed in five-gallon cans. The contents of the can are evaluated by a pulse height analyzer (PHA) that measures the various energy levels of gamma rays emitted by TRU wastes. The energy profile is used to determine the quantity of TRU material in the can. In almost every case, this material is determined to be TRU waste. Waste generated from maintenance activities outside the glovebox, which may contain TRU material, is handled as TRU waste if contamination surveys are greater than the procedural limit. The combination of process knowledge and instrument readings normally leads to a conservative determination.

## 2.5 Waste Minimization/Pollution Prevention (WMin/P2)

At the Savannah River Site all pollutant-generating organizations and all operations are concerned with increasing Pollution Prevention (P2) awareness and successes. Environmentally sound and economically practical source reduction and recycling of all types of wastes and pollutants are mainstay activities in the SRS Pollution Prevention Program. These activities also include practices that reduce the use of raw materials, energy, water, and other resources and practices that protect natural resources through conservation and more efficient use.

In concert with good conduct of operations, SRS strives to reduce employee exposure to toxic and radioactive materials, mitigate environmental impacts of site operations, and in the process, reduce the costs of operations including waste management. The following results in the area of pollution prevention are representative of the types pollution prevention activities ongoing at the Savannah River Site.

- In fiscal years 2000 and 2001, the SRS Pollution Prevention (P2) Program completed 172 separate P2 projects, avoiding > 600,000 ft<sup>3</sup> of radioactive and hazardous waste generation with a potential annual cost avoidance impact of over \$50 million. This represents a smart business investment with over a 20:1 return on program investment over the life of the projects.
- SRS as an active recycling program with over 36% (4,490 tons) of its total office and industrial waste being recycled in FY01. SRS continues to implement technologies to reduce disposal of its municipal-type waste stream. A waste-to-boiler fuel cuber facility was built. Test burns to qualify the fuel for an on-site boiler have been completed and are pending SCDHEC approval. Operations of this facility will avoid land disposal of over 90% of SRS's cellulose-based sanitary waste stream.
- In FY01, the P2 Program supported recovery of ~90,000 square feet of radioactive contaminated areas resulting in avoiding the generation of ~24,000 cubic feet of low-level radioactive waste per year. Potential cost avoidance from these projects is over \$4.5 million per year due to reduced radioactive waste and laundry management costs and productivity improvements.
- SRS has already achieved a 75% reduction in energy consumption per square foot of administrative building space as compared to the FY 1985 baseline and a 71% reduction in the industrial facilities category based on a FY 1990 baseline. Both significantly exceeding Department of Energy Secretary's Pollution Prevention and Energy Efficiency Leadership Goals for Fiscal Year 2010. SRS will continue to pursue energy conservation through execution of its award-winning Energy Savings Performance Contract.
- Establishing the Chemical Commodity Management Center significantly improved communication of chemicals currently in inventory on site through utilization of improved procurement techniques including "just in time" ordering processes and through de-inventorying and chemical tracking activities. SRS has reduced its onsite chemical inventory from ~236 million pounds to ~68 million pounds. This effort includes reduction in the number and volume of hazardous chemicals used in the industrial processes of the site.

- Since FY1999, SRS has purchased alternative fueled vehicles (AFV) using ethanol E85 fuel for over 75% of its qualified light-duty fleet vehicles. SRS uses an onsite automated fuel dispensing system that allows only E85 fuel for AFV's achieving a 100% usage of alternative fuel in our AFV's meeting the DOE Secretary's FY2010 leadership goal. SRS began using biodiesel fuel (B-20) derived from soybean oil for qualified vehicles on January 9, 2001. Over 300,000 gallons of B-20 fuel has been used through FY01, at a rate approximating 75% of the Site's total annual diesel fuel consumption.

SRS encourages continuous improvement in its pollution prevention program for all our employees. Some key areas we addressed in FY01 and are continuing into FY02 include:

- Continue to benchmark the best commercial industries for pollution prevention and waste minimization activities.
- Continue to recover contaminated areas to reduce the risk to workers and associated protective clothing, materials, and waste.
- Continue to identify and use non-hazardous substitutes for hazardous products previously used on site.
- Utilize the Energy Savings Performance contract to provide funding to install cost-effective energy conservation projects.
- Continue the retrofitting of administrative buildings with energy efficient lighting, occupancy sensors for lighting, and evaluation/upgrading of heating and ventilation systems for older buildings.
- Investigate and substitute recyclable and launderable products for those items that had previously been disposed.
- Continue the Presidential Closing the Circle Award-winning Chemical Commodity Management Center to control the purchase, distribution, and management of excess chemicals and chemical products.
- Procure cost-effective items made with recycled materials within the guidelines of the federal affirmative procurement practices to help in the development of the recyclables market and to preserve our natural resources.
- Maintain funding dedicated to implementing cost-effective P2 projects and operations' improvements.
- Strengthen SRS practices and procedures to integrate pollution prevention evaluations into major process modifications and new facility and process designs.
- Maintain heightened employee awareness through training programs, video presentations, news articles, and employee involvement.
- Support public awareness of pollution prevention practices through public displays at offsite events and support of in-school teaching enrichment programs.

These efforts, when coupled with management direction that is driven through strong performance incentives, help ensure a sustainable and continuously improving SRS P2 Program.

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## Chapter 3. Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams

This chapter discusses the wastes, waste groups and treatment options for the mixed low-level waste stream category. The wastes are categorized according to the proposed treatment. These proposed treatment options include the following:

- 3.1 Mixed Low-Level Waste with Treatment Capacity
- 3.2 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams Requiring Technology Development
- 3.3 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams for Which Further Characterization is Required
- 3.4 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams Requiring Radionuclide Decay Prior to LDR Treatment
- 3.5 SRS Treatment Facilities that have Discontinued Use

Refer to Table 1.1, Chapter 1, of Volume II of the STP for the user's guide. The user's guide identifies each mixed waste stream, the preferred treatment option (PO), and the location where the waste stream is discussed in Volumes I and II of the STP.

### 3.1 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams with Treatment Capacity

This section discusses the schedules and plans associated with treatment of SRS mixed waste with currently available treatment capacity. The sections of this chapter are divided into treatment categories as follows:

- 3.1.1 Onsite Treatment
- 3.1.2 Offsite Treatment
- 3.1.3 Preferred Treatment to be Determined

#### 3.1.1 Onsite Treatment

SRS has several onsite treatment facilities available for treating mixed waste. These facilities include the F and H Effluent Treatment Facility (F/H ETF), and the Savannah River Technology Center (SRTC) Mixed Waste Storage Tanks (MWST). Also included in this section are treatability variance petition submittals, recycling, and miscellaneous onsite treatments not otherwise mentioned.

##### 3.1.1.1 F- and H-Area Effluent Treatment Facility (F/H ETF)

Currently, no mixed wastes are currently awaiting treatment by this facility. (See Section 9.1.1 of Volume II for more information.)

##### 3.1.1.2 Savannah River Technology Center (SRTC) Mixed Waste Storage Tanks

Currently, no mixed wastes are currently awaiting treatment by this facility. (See section 9.1.2 for more information.)

##### 3.1.1.3 Onsite Treatment via Treatability Variance Petition

*Submittal of a treatability variance for macroencapsulation is the preferred option for certain mixed waste streams, including those described below.*

#### General Information

The following waste streams are included in this waste group:

- SR-W009, Silver Coated Packing Material
- SR-W060, Tritiated Water with Mercury

## Background Information

### SR-W009, Silver Coated Packing Material

This material is ceramic packing material coated with silver nitrate (silver-coated Berl saddles) that is used in the offgas systems in the F-Canyon and H-Canyon dissolver operations to bond radioactive iodine<sup>129</sup> and iodine<sup>131</sup> emissions to the packing material as silver iodide. Spent packing material is changed out from the process when pluggage occurs or when the iodine level measured at the stack elevates such that levels start to approach the emission limit. Material is too small to meet the 60-mm minimum particle size standard for debris.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11. The volume in Chapter 11 is reported as net volume. However, volume figures may be converted to gross in future annual updates once treatment is performed.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Uncategorized inorganic particulate

#### *Waste Code*

- D011 (TCLP Ag)
- D008C (Radioactive lead solids subcategory)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D008 = specified technology = Macroencapsulation
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- No analysis was performed due to ALARA concerns, but silver value was calculated.
- Process knowledge is used to characterize waste stream.
- Confidence level for silver concentration is high due to manufacturer specifications of silver content on the saddles. Confidence level for mercury concentration is low; presence is suspected, but not proven.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma emitters are present.
- Volatile radionuclides I<sup>129</sup> and I<sup>131</sup> (I<sup>131</sup> is a short lived isotope) are present.
- Typical rad levels include:  
I<sup>129</sup> = 62.2 nCi/g  
Cs<sup>137</sup> = 3080 nCi/g
- Alpha emitters (U<sup>235</sup>, U<sup>236</sup>, U<sup>238</sup>, Pu<sup>239</sup>, and Pu<sup>240</sup>) are present.
- Waste is remote handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

### SR-W060, Tritiated Water with Mercury

This waste is highly tritiated heavy water with a small amount of mercury that has been adsorbed on silica gel. The waste was created by a spill incident resulting from a weld failure in a retired thermal diffusion column. The spill consisted of 17 liters of highly tritiated water and 3 or 4 milliliters of elemental mercury. The spill was absorbed with

50 kilograms of silica gel. The waste is contained in a welded stainless steel container, known colloquially as a “fat boy.” There are no free liquids in this container.

*Volume*

- Data on the volume of this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- Inorganic particulate

*Waste Code*

- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- Nonwastewater

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

*Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is medium.

*Radiological Characterization*

- 7,800 Ci of tritium

### **3.1.1.4 Saltstone Facility**

*The Saltstone facility is an existing stabilization facility at SRS which treats aqueous liquid wastes by stabilization in a grout matrix. Treatment at Saltstone is currently the preferred option for the following mixed waste stream:*

#### **SR-W045A, PUREX Aqueous Waste**

An organic solvent generated in the Plutonium/Uranium Extraction Process (PUREX) used in the Separations areas. SR-W044, Tri-Butyl-Phosphate and n-Paraffin TRU, have been combined with this waste stream.

*Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic liquid

*Waste Code*

- D004 (TCLP As)
- D005 (TCLP Ba)
- D006A (TCLP Cd)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)

- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D010 (TCLP Se)
- D011 (TCLP Ag)
- D018 (benzene)
- D040 (trichloroethylene)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l TCLP
  - D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l TCLP
  - D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l TCLP
  - D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l TCLP
  - D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
  - D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
  - D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l TCLP
  - D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP
  - D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - D040 = concentration based standard = 6 mg/kg
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- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet the Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis are used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high because sampling and analysis is available.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is 120 nCi/g.
- Cm<sup>244</sup>, Am<sup>241</sup>, Pu<sup>239</sup>, Eu<sup>154</sup>, Ba<sup>137</sup>, H<sup>3</sup>, Pu<sup>241</sup>, Sb<sup>125</sup>, Cm<sup>243</sup>, Pu<sup>240</sup>, Tc<sup>99</sup>, Pu<sup>238</sup>, and Cs<sup>137</sup>; lesser amounts of Zr<sup>95</sup>, Th<sup>234</sup>, Zn<sup>65</sup>, Pr, Pr<sup>144</sup>, Co<sup>60</sup>, Ag<sup>110m</sup>, C<sup>14</sup>, Co<sup>57</sup>, Eu<sup>155</sup>, I<sup>129</sup>, Na<sup>22</sup>, Pa<sup>234m</sup>, Pu<sup>242</sup>, Se<sup>79</sup>, Sr<sup>90</sup>, U<sup>233</sup>, U<sup>234</sup>, U<sup>235</sup>, U<sup>238</sup>, and Y<sup>90</sup>
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

### **3.1.2 Offsite Treatment**

For those waste streams that cannot be accommodated by SRS treatment facilities, various treatment technologies available at offsite facilities have been determined to be the preferred treatment option. This section discusses the treatment options that are available for offsite treatment. These include offsite vendor treatment and offsite treatment at other DOE facilities.

#### **3.1.2.1 DOE Thermal Treatment**

*The preferred option for the Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Mixed Waste Group is shipment to Oak Ridge for thermal treatment in the ETTP TSCA Incinerator at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.*

### General Information

Currently, the sole representative of this waste group is:

#### **SR-W079, Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Mixed Waste**

This waste stream has been reserved for all PCB-contaminated mixed waste for which treatment to destroy the PCBs is required under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). This waste stream includes waste from laboratory analyses, paint chips, debris from the demolition of excess site facilities, and PCB spill clean-up waste.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- PCB contaminated, organic liquid, miscellaneous solids

#### *Waste Code*

- D001B (Ignitable, high TOC nonwastewater)
- D002B (corrosive, nonwastewater)
- D004 (TCLP As)
- D005 (TCLP Ba)
- D006A (TCLP Cd)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D010 (TCLP Se)
- F001 and F002 (Spent halogenated solvents)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D001 = specified technology = DEACT
- D002 = specified technology = DEACT
- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 .m/l, TCLP
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l, TCLP
- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l, TCLP
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l, TCLP
- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP
- D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l, TCLP
- F001 and F002 = concentration based standard = 6-30 mg/kg
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis are used to characterize this waste stream.
- Confidence level is high because sampling and analysis has been performed.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma emitters are present (Cs <sup>137</sup>, Sr<sup>90</sup>, and others).
- Alpha emitters are present (U<sup>235</sup>, U<sup>238</sup>, Pu<sup>239</sup>, Pu<sup>240</sup>, and others).



- Contact handled
- Mixed low-level waste

### 3.1.2.2 Commerical Vendor Debris Treatment

*The preferred treatment option for this waste group is Macroencapsulation by a Vendor in the vendor's offsite facility. This waste group consists of wastes that are normal mixed wastes that meet the acceptance criteria of a commercial vendor or can be readily handled by a commercial vendor under special procedures. Portions of SR-W062 may be stabilized if the vendor deems it to be a more appropriate treatment.*

*Waste streams in this waste group include but are not limited to:*

SR-W062, Low-Level Contaminated Debris  
SR-W073, Cadmium-Containing Raschig Rings

#### General Information

##### SR-W062, Low-Level Contaminated Debris

This waste stream consists of debris (metal, floor tiles, fluorescent light bulbs, broken thermometers, instruments, and other equipment including debris generated from operations at CIF and machinery used in the remediation of various contamination sites that could not be decontaminated) contaminated with TCLP metals and radionuclides. (NOTE: this is a different stream from SR-W015, Mercury/Tritium Contaminated Equipment). This waste requires a permitted TSD for treatment since it has been in permitted storage.

Also included in this waste stream are tools and other non-incinerable items found in waste stream SR-W055, Job Control Waste Containing Solvent Contaminated Wipes and PPE, SR-W025, Solvent/TRU Job Control Waste < 100 nCi/g; SR-W042, Paints and Thinners; and other waste streams shredded in preparation for treatment by combustion.

In addition to the CIF debris, this waste stream also consists of filters, job control waste from the segregation and decontamination of lead in Building 105-C, and soil associated with other equipment or debris from the M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility, the tank farms, and other site locations.

##### Volume

- Volume data on this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

##### Waste Stream Composition

- Inorganic debris

##### Waste Code

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|--------------------------------|--|
| • D004 (TCLP As)               | • F006 (Metal plating waste without cyanide) |
| • D005 (TCLP Ba)               | • P015 (Beryllium powder)                    |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)              | • P048 (2,4-Dinitrophenol)                   |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)               | • P113 (Thallic Oxide)                       |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)              | • U002 (Acetone)                             |
| • D009A (TCLP Hg)              | • U003 (Acetonitrile)                        |
| • D010 (TCLP Se)               | • U019 (Benzene)                             |
| • D011 (TCLP Ag)               | • U037 (Chlorobenzene)                       |
| • D035 (Methyl ethyl ketone)   | • U080 (Methylene Chloride)                  |
| • D039 (Tetrachloroethylene)   | • U123 (Formic Acid)                         |
| • F001 (Unspecified solvents)  | • U127 (Hexachlorobenzene)                   |
| • F002 (Unspecified solvents)  | • U131 (Hexachloroethane)                    |
| • F003X (Unspecified solvents) | • U151 (TCLP Hg)                             |
| • F004X (Unspecified solvents) | • U159 (Methyl Ethyl Ketone)                 |
| • F005X (Unspecified solvents) | • U165 (Naphthalene)                         |

- U188 (Phenol)
- U209 (1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane)
- U210 (Tetrachloroethylene)
- U211 (Carbon Tetrachloride)
- U220 (Toluene)
- U226 (1,1,1-Trichloroethane)
- U228 (Trichloroethylene)
- U239 (Xylenes)
- Nonwastewater

Specific waste codes will vary depending upon where the waste was generated. Wastes from CIF contain all of the waste codes that are fed to CIF. The F-listed solvents listed reflect the inclusion of non-incinerable items found in waste streams SR-W025 and SR-W055. Items from SR-W025 and SR-W055 may contain other P- and U-listed codes.

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l, TCLP
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l, TCLP
- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l, TCLP
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l, TCLP
- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP
- D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l, TCLP
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l, TCLP
- D035 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg
- D039 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l, TCLP
- F001 = concentration based standard = 6-30 mg/kg
- F002 = concentration based standard = 6-30 mg/kg
- F003 = concentration based standard = 2.6 - 60 mg/kg
- F004 = concentration based standard = 6 - 160 mg/kg
- F005 = concentration based standard = 10 - 170 mg/kg
- F006 = concentration based standard = 0.19 – 5.0 mg/l, TCLP
- P015 = specified technology = RMETL; or RTHRM
- P048 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
- P113 = specified technology = RTHRM; or STABL
- U002 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
- U003 = specified technology = CMBST
- U019 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U037 = concentration based standard = 6 mg/kg
- U080 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- U123 = specified technology = CMBST
- U127 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U131 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- U151 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP
- U159 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg
- U165 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
- U188 = concentration based standard = 6.2 mg/kg
- U209 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U210 = concentration based standard = 6 mg/kg
- U211 = concentration based standard = 6 mg/kg
- U220 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U226 = concentration based standard = 6 mg/kg
- U228 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U239 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

Waste debris from CIF will have treatment standards that are reflected in the waste fed to CIF. Specific information on treatment standards can be acquired by looking at specific wastes in Volume II.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high based on knowing process history of the waste.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Radioactivity will vary depending on the generation source and location.
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

### **SR-W073, Cadmium-Containing Raschig Rings**

This waste stream is composed of approximately 60% rubbery-plastic material, 20% lead, and 20% cadmium (by volume). These Raschig Rings were used as a criticality prevention measure in certain sumps in the Separations H-Area facility. Waste size is less than the 60 mm minimum particle standard for debris, but a treatability variance has been prepared and submitted to treat this waste as a debris.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Other organic particulates

#### *Waste Codes*

- D006A (TCLP Cd)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l TCLP

#### *Waste Characterization*

- TCLP tests were performed to verify hazardous characteristic.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Radioactive contamination for alpha and beta/gamma was detected in analysis.
- Material was generated in a contamination area.

### **3.1.2.3 Commercial Vendor Lead Treatment**

*Lead Macroencapsulation at an offsite vendor's facility is the preferred option for certain of the commercial vendor or is readily handled by the commercial vendor under special procedures.*

### **SR-W069, Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead-to be Macroencapsulated Offsite**

This waste stream consists of low-level waste lead and lead compounds that are inseparably mixed with non-lead components. Examples of this waste stream are lead-lined gloves, aprons and equipment containing lead solder, and radioactive lead acid batteries. This stream also includes lead shielding, bricks, etc., that cannot be decontaminated.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Elemental lead
- Non-elemental lead

#### *Waste Code*

- D002 (corrosive)
- D004 (TCLP As)
- D006 (TCLP Cd)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D008B (lead acid batteries and radioactive lead solids)
- D008C (elemental Pb)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004
- D006
- D008 = concentration based technology = 0.75 mg/l TCLP; or specified technology = MACRO for radioactive elemental lead

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high based on the fact that waste is easily identified as containing lead.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma emitters (Cs <sup>137</sup> and Sr<sup>90</sup>) are present.
- Alpha emitters (Pu<sup>238</sup>, Pu<sup>239</sup>, and U<sup>235</sup>) are present.
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

### **3.1.2.4 Commercial Vendor Mercury Treatment**

*The preferred treatment option for mercury wastes is roasting/retorting or stabilization followed by commercial vendor. Waste streams that are radioactive elemental mercury require only amalgamation.*

This waste group is composed of the following waste streams:

SR-W014, Tritium-Contaminated Mercury  
SR-W068, Elemental (Liquid) Mercury-Sitewide  
SR-W086, Characteristically Hazardous Non-Incinerable Solids

#### **General Information**

##### **SR-W014, Tritium-Contaminated Mercury**

This waste stream is elemental mercury used as a pumping fluid in diffusion pumps for the transfer of tritium gas. The mercury waste is generated from pump maintenance or pump failure due to mercury oxide fouling. The waste contains floating slag or an oxidized layer from the erosion/leaching of stainless steel pump housings and pipes. Most of the tritium contamination is in the floating mercury oxide layer.

*Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- Elemental mercury

*Waste Code*

- D009D (elemental mercury)
- Nonwastewater

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D009 = specified technology = AMLGM

*Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high based on the fact waste is elemental mercury with a small oxide layer.

*Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is 350 nCi/g with tritium present.
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

**SR-W068, Elemental (Liquid) Mercury - Sitewide**

This waste stream is elemental mercury generated at different SRS facilities, primarily at DWPF and HLW Tank Farms. At DWPF, elemental mercury is recovered during the vitrification of high-level waste. Elemental mercury is recovered during the evaporation of high-level waste in the HLW Tank Farms. Currently, H-Canyon and F-Canyon Dissolving Operations will re-use a portion of the mercury generated by DWPF and HLW Tank Farms. The re-use will continue until the dissolving operations cease. Some portion of the mercury generated may be managed as waste stream SR-W068.

*Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- Elemental mercury

*Waste Code*

- D009D (elemental mercury)
- Nonwastewater

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D009D = specified technology = AMLGM

*Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high based on the waste composition.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Radioactivity will vary depending on the generation source and location.
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

#### **SR-W086, Characteristically Hazardous Non-Incinerable Solids**

This waste stream is filters, swipes and other cleanup material that contains high mercury concentrations greater than 260 mg/kg. The waste generated from mercury spill cleanup, broken thermometers and gauges and filtering activities.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Heterogeneous organic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- D007 TCLP (chromium)
- D009C High mercury (inorganic)
- D009D Elemental mercury
- D008 TCLP (lead)

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- RMERC

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis were used to characterize this waste stream
- Confidence is high

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Average total activity is 50 nCi/g with depleted uranium
- Waste is contact handled
- Mixed low-level waste

### **3.1.2.5 Commercial Vendor Sludge and Soils Treatment**

*Stabilization by a DOE complex-wide broad spectrum contractor is the preferred option for certain mixed waste streams including, but not limited to, the following:*

SR-W048, Soils from Spill Remediation

SR-W082, Radioactive CMP Soils

SR-W088, Aqueous Halogenated Salts

#### **SR-W048, Soils from Spill Remediation**

This waste consists of soils, sand, and associated debris (rocks, wood, etc.) resulting from cleanup activities of spills surrounding operations. This waste stream does not include any soils to be addressed in the Environmental Restoration program. The original value of waste in stream SR-W048 was treated in M-Area VTF. Additional waste has now been added to SR-WO48 with a new preferred option.

These soil samples were collected to support the 1987 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for waste management activities for groundwater protection. The total constituent analysis on the waste stream indicated that it could fail the TCLP test. TCLP analysis was never performed on the drums due to the extreme difficulty in obtaining representative samples. The waste stream has been conservatively managed as D007, D008A, and D009A. The key results are summarized in SRS document DPST-86-291.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Uncategorized soils

#### *Waste Code*

- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008 (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D007, D008 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l, TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.2mg/l, TCLP

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high based on process knowledge of what was spilled or located at a particular site.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma and alpha emitters are present.
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste.

#### **SR-W082, Radioactive Chemicals, Metals, and Pesticides (CMP) Soils**

This waste stream is composed of soil and debris containing spent solvents, metal contaminants and tetrachloroethylene removed from the organic and metal portions of the CMP disposal pits. This soil was excavated during a RCRA closure of the site.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Codes*

- D004 (TCLP As)
- D006 (TCLP Cd)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D010 (TCLP Se)
- D039 (TCLP tetrachloroethylene)
- F001 (trichloroethylene, methylene chloride)
- F002 (trichloroethylene, methylene chloride)
- U210 (tetrachloroethylene)
- Nonwastewater

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004 = Concentration Based Standard = 5.0 mg/1 TCLP
- D006 = Concentration Based Standard = .11 mg/1 TCLP
- D007 = Concentration Based Standard = .60 mg/1 TCLP
- D008 = Concentration Based Standard = .75 mg/1 TCLP
- D010 = Concentration Based Standard = 5.7 mg/1 TCLP
- D039 = Concentration Based Standard = 6.0 mg/1 Total
- F001 = Concentration Based Standard = 6.0 mg/kg Total (tetrachloroethylene); 30 mg/kg total (methylene chloride)
- F002 = Concentration Based Standard = 6.0 mg/kg Total (tetrachloroethylene); 30 mg/kg total (methylene chloride)
- U210 = Concentration Based Standard = 6.0 mg/kg Total
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

*Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge

*Radiological Characterization*

- Tritium is the only isotope known to be present.
- Contact handled.

**SR-W088, Aqueous Halogenated Salts**

This waste stream is composed of a neutralized zinc bromide solution that has been drained from the observation windows in the reactors. The zinc bromide was neutralized with sodium hydroxide to raise the pH to a safe storage level. This material is a wastewater based on the concentration of suspended solids and total organic compounds.

*Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Codes*



- D006 (TCLP Cd)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- Wastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D006 = Concentration Based Standard = 0.69 mg/l
- D008 = Concentration Based Standard = 0.69 mg/l
- D006 and D008 wastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha and beta/gamma emitters are present.
- Primary radionuclide constituent = H<sub>3</sub>
- Contact handled

### **3.1.2.6 Commercial Vendor “Non-PUREX” Treatment**

*Stabilization, thermal treatment, or macroencapsulation by an offsite vendor are the preferred options for certain mixed waste streams including, but not limited to the following:*

SR-W001, Rad-Contaminated Solvents (thermal treatment)

SR-W003, Solvent Contaminated Debris (LWW) (macroencapsulation or stabilization)

SR-W012, Incinerable Toxic Characteristic (TC) Material (macroencapsulation or stabilization)

SR-W018, Listed Incinerable Solids (macroencapsulation or stabilization)

SR-W035, Mixed Waste Oil-Sitewide (thermal treatment (aqueous portion stabilized))

SR-W042, Paints and Thinners (thermal treatment or stabilization)

SR-W051, Spent Filter Cartridges and Carbon Filter Media (macroencapsulation or stabilization)

SR-W055, Job Control Waste Containing Solvent Contaminated Wipes (macroencapsulation or stabilization)

SR-W070, Mixed Waste from Laboratory Samples (thermal treatment or stabilization)

SR-W071, Wastewater Suitable for Thermal Treatment or Stabilization (Broad Spectrum)

SR-W080, Charleston Naval Shipyard Waste (CN-W001, CN-W004)

SR-W081, Reactive/Ignitable Waste\*

SR-W087, Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory Contaminated Oil, (BT-W035 part of BT-W003)

\*SR-W081 requires deactivation at generator facility prior to final treatment by commercial vendor.

### **SR-W001, Rad-Contaminated Solvents:**

This waste stream is radioactively contaminated solvent and solvent mixtures such as solvents used for cleaning equipment in the Separations or Reactors Areas, degreasing solvents for depleted uranium fines used to assure unhindered adsorption of water in the tritium process, used or unused organic reagents and solutions used in bioassay and other laboratory analyses, and catalyst material for an incinerator that is no longer operational. The non-halogenated solvents in storage are wastes that used carbon ( $C^{14}$ ) and tritium ( $H^3$ ) labeled materials as tracers, or mixtures of waste scintillation counter calibration standards. The halogenated solvents are degreasing solvents contaminated with tritium and uranium. This waste stream is a consolidation of SR-W001, Rad-Contaminated Solvents; SR-W002, Rad-Contaminated Chlorofluorocarbons; SR-W010, Scintillation Solution; SR-W030, Spent Methanol Solution; and SR-W059, Tetrabutyl Titanate. Added to the waste stream will be solvent waste generated from CIF operations. This waste stream also includes liquids formerly in waste stream SR-W078, Hazardous Waste Awaiting Radiological Screening, which the initial results of radiological analysis have shown to be mixed waste, or are indeterminate.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic liquid

#### *Waste Code*

- D001A (ignitable high TOC)
- D002 (corrosive, nonwastewater)
- D006A (TCLP Cd)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009 (TCLP Hg)
- D010 (TCLP Se)
- D011 (TCLP selenium)
- D018 (benzene)
- D019 (carbon tetrachloride)
- D022 (chloroform)
- F001, F002, F003, F005A (halogenated and nonhalogenated spent solvents)
- F006 (wastewater treatment sludges from electroplating operations)
- U002 (acetone)
- U003 (acetonitrile)
- U019 (benzene)
- U037 (chlorobenzene)
- U045 (methane, chloro-(I,T) methyl chloride)
- U080 (methylene chloride)
- U108 (1,4-Dioxane)
- U123 (formic acid)
- U127 (hexachlorobenzene)
- U131 (hexachloroethane)
- U159 (methyl ethyl ketone)
- U165 (naphthalene)
- U188 (phenol)
- U210 (tetrachloroethylene)
- U211 (carbon tetrachloride)
- U220 (toluene)
- U226 (1,1,1-trichloroethane)
- U228 (trichloroethylene)
- U239 (xylene)

- Nonwastewater

Since this waste stream will include wastes generated by previous CIF operations, additional waste codes may apply to this stream. Waste codes will depend on the specific generation episode at CIF. Potentially, any of the many waste codes included in the CIF RCRA Part B permit could apply.

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D001 = specified technology = RORGS or CMBST
  - D002 = specified technology = DEACT
  - D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l TCLP
  - D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l TCLP
  - D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
  - D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
  - D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l TCLP
  - D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP
  - D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg, UTS = 10 mg/kg
  - D019 and D022 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg, UTS = 6.0 mg/kg
  - F001 and F002 = concentration based standard = 6.0-30 mg/kg
  - F003 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP - 160 mg/kg
  - F005 = concentration based standard = 4.8 mg/l, TCLP-170 mg/kg except 2-Ethoxyethanol and 2-Nitropropane = CMBST
  - F006 = concentration based standard = 0.11-11.0 mg/l TCLP
  - U002 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
  - U003 = concentration based standard = 38 mg/kg or CMBST
  - U019 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - U037 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - U045 = concentration based standard = 30.0 mg/kg
  - U080 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
  - U108 = specified technology = CMBST
  - U123 = specified technology = CMBST
  - U127 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - U131 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
  - U159 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg
  - U165 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
  - U188 = concentration based standard = 6.2 mg/kg
  - U210 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - U211 = concentration based standard = 6.0mg/kg
  - U220 = concentration based standard = 10.0mg/kg
  - U226 = concentration based standard = 6.0mg/kg
  - U228 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - U239 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
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- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge and sampling and analysis have been used to characterize waste streams.
- Confidence level is high based upon the known composition of the solvents used in the processes and of sample analyses for some of the organics.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis results indicate tritium present up to 1700  $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ .
- Beta/gamma emitters
- $\text{U}^{238}$  alpha present is in solvent from the tritium facility and Reactor Materials Facilities.

- Alpha ( $U^{235}$ ,  $U^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{239}$ ) emitters are present.
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

### SR-W003, Solvent Contaminated Debris (LLW)

The stream is a collection of similar debris whose LDR treatment standards can be met by combustion. The waste stream includes spent solvent contaminated rags and wipes generated sitewide in the clean up of interior spills and for decontamination. The waste codes indicate the components that may be present in the waste stream as a whole. Waste codes listed in the waste stream would vary depending on where the waste came from within SRS.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| • D004 (TCLP As)   | • D005 (TCLP Ba)  |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)  | • D007 (TCLP Cr)  |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)  | • D009A (TCLP Hg)                                       |
| • D010 (TCLP Se)   | • D011 (TCLP Ag)  |
| • D012 (Endrin)  | • D013 (Lindane)  |
| • D014 (Methoxychlor)  | • D015 (Toxaphene)                                      |
| • D016 (2,4,-D)  | • D017 (2, 4, 5-TP)                                     |
| • D018 (Benzene)   | • D019 (Carbon tetrachloride)                           |
| • D020 (Chlordane)   | • D021 (Chlorobenzene)                                  |
| • D022 (Chloroform)  | • D023 (o-Cresol)                                       |
| • D024 (m-Cresol)  | • D025 (p-Cresol)                                       |
| • D026 (Total Cresols)   | • D027 (p-Dichlorobenzene)                              |
| • D028 (1,2-Dichloroethane)  | • D029 (1,1-Dichloroethylene)                           |
| • D030 (2,4-Dinitrotoluene)  | • D031 (Heptachlor)                                     |
| • D032 (Hexachlorobenzene)   | • D033 (Hexachlorobutadiene)                            |
| • D034 (Hexachloroethane)  | • D035 (Methyl ethyl ketone)                            |
| • D036 (Nitrobenzene)  | • D037 (Pentachlorophenol)                              |
| • D038 (Pyridine)  | • D039 (Tetrachloroethylene)                            |
| • D040 (Trichloroethylene)   | • D041 (2,4,5-trichlorophenol)                          |
| • D042 (2,4,6-Trichlorophenol)                                       | • D043 (Vinyl chloride)                                 |
| • F001 (Spent halogenated degreasing solvents)                       | • F002 (Spent halogenated solvents)                     |
| • F003A (Spent nonhalogenated solvents)                              | • F005A (Halogenated and nonhalogenated spent solvents) |
| • F006 (wastewater treatment sludges from electroplating operations) |   |
| • U002 (acetone)   | • U003 (acetonitrile)                                   |
| • U019 (benzene)   | • U037 (chlorobenzene)                                  |
| • U080 (methylene chloride)  | • U123 (formic acid)                                    |
| • U127 (hexachlorobenzene)   | • U131 (hexachloroethane)                               |
| • U159 (methyl ethyl ketone)   | • U165 (naphthalene)                                    |
| • U188 (phenol)  | • U210 (tetrachloroethylene)                            |
| • U211 (carbon tetrachloride)  | • U220 (toluene)  |
| • U226 (1,1,1-trichloroethane)                                       | • U239 (xylene)   |
| • Nonwastewater  |   |

Since this waste stream could include solvent contaminated rags and wipes from spill clean-ups at CIF, waste codes could include any of the wastes treated at CIF. Refer to the waste code lists for SR-W046 and SR-W047 for all of the waste codes possible.

For that portion of waste stream SR-W003 generated from other locations at SRS, waste codes include D004-D011 (TCLP Metals), D012-D043 (organic pesticides and characteristic organics), and F001, F002, F003A, and F005A (halogenated/non-halogenated spent solvents).

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l, TCLP
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l, TCLP
- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l, TCLP
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l, TCLP
- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP
- D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l, TCLP
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l, TCLP
- D012 = concentration based standard = 0.13 mg/kg
- D013 & D031 = concentration based standard = 0.066 mg/kg
- D014 = concentration based standard = 0.18 mg/kg
- D015 = concentration based standard = 2.6 mg/kg
- D016, D018, & D032 = concentration based standard = 10.0 mg/kg
- D017 = concentration based standard = 7.9 mg/kg
- D019, D021, D022, D027, D028, D029, D039, D040, & D043 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- D020 = concentration based standard = 0.26 mg/kg
- D023, D024, D025, & D033 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
- D026 = concentration based standard = 11.2 mg/kg
- D030 = concentration based standard = 140 mg/kg
- D034 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- D035 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg
- D036 = concentration based standard = 14 mg/kg
- D037, D041, & D042 = concentration based standard = 7.4 mg/kg
- D038 = concentration based standard = 16 mg/kg
- F001 & F002 = concentration based standard = 6.0-30 mg/kg
- F003 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP-160 mg/kg
- F005 = concentration based standards = 4.8 mg/l, TCLP-170 mg/kg, except 2-Ethoxyethanol and 2-Nitropropane = CMBST
- F006 = concentration based standards = 0.11-11 mg/l TCLP
- U002 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
- U003 = concentration based standard = 38 mg/kg or CMBST
- U019 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U037 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U080 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- U123 = specified technology = CMBST
- U127 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U131 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- U159 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg
- U165 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
- U188 = concentration based standard = 6.2 mg/kg
- U210 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U211 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U220 = concentration based standard = 10.0 mg/kg
- U226 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U239 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- Alternate debris technology may be applied

- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet the Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

Since a portion of this waste stream includes wastes generated at CIF, LDR Treatment Standards are reflected in the waste fed to CIF. Specific information on treatment standards can be acquired by looking at specific wastes in Volume II.

For other constituents of waste stream SR-W003, LDR Treatment Standards are concentration-based standards ranging from 0.066 mg/kg to 170 mg/kg or with a specified technology of combustion.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high based upon known composition of the solvents used in the process generating this waste.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha emitter, Pu<sup>238</sup>
- Beta/gamma emitter, Cs<sup>137</sup>
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

#### **SR-W012, Toxic Characteristic Solids**

This waste stream contains job control waste from previous treatment facilities such as In-Tank Precipitation (ITP), CIF, and various clean-up materials from other site generators such as plastic decon beads, rags, wipes, absorbents, mopheads, gloves, etc., contaminated with toxic characteristic waste and radioactive materials. This waste stream also contains solid chemical oxidizers generated by site laboratories and other site activities. The waste stream is a collection of similar debris whose LDR treatment standards can be met by thermal treatment. The list of waste codes indicates the components, which may be present in the waste. Waste from specific areas within SRS may not contain all the waste codes. Waste stream SR-W043, Lab Waste with Tetraphenyl Borate has been consolidated into this stream.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- |                   |                              |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| • D004 (TCLP As)  | • D005 (TCLP Ba)             |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd) | • D007 (TCLP Cr)             |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb) | • D009A (TCLP Hg)            |
| • D010 (TCLP Se)  | • D011 (TCLP Ag)             |
| • D018 (benzene)  | • D035 (methyl ethyl ketone) |
| • Nonwastewater   |                              |

Since this waste stream includes incinerable clean-up materials from CIF, waste codes could include any of the characteristic wastes CIF was permitted to treat during start up and operation. Refer to the waste code list for SR-W046 and SR-W047 for a list of all the waste codes that fed to CIF.

For that portion of waste stream SR-W012 generated from other locations at SRS, waste codes include D004 - D011, D018, and D035.

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l TCLP
  - D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l TCLP
  - D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l TCLP
  - D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l TCLP
  - D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
  - D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
  - D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l TCLP
  - D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP
  - D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - D035 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg
  - Alternate debris technology may be applied.
- 
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

Since a portion of this waste stream includes wastes generated at CIF, LDR Treatment Standards are reflected in the characteristic wastes fed to CIF. Specific information on treatment standards can be acquired by looking at specific wastes in Volume II. For other constituents of waste stream SR-W012, LDR Treatment Standards are concentration based ranging from 0.2 mg/L to 100 mg/L.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is medium based on knowledge of contaminants present in the waste or from knowledge of the components in spilled material. However, sampling and analysis have not validated the characterization.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha ( $U^{235}$ ,  $Pu^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{239}$ ) emitters are present.
- Beta/gamma ( $Cs^{137}$  and  $Sr^{90}$ ) emitters may be present.
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

#### **SR-W018, Listed Incinerable Solids**

This waste stream consists of F006 job control waste, remediation waste from M-Area operations, process control waste from M-Area Vendor Treatment operations and remediation activities.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- F006 (metal plating line waste, without cyanide)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- F006 = concentration based standards = 0.11-11 mg/l TCLP

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge and sampling and analysis are used to characterize the waste.
- Confidence level high due to availability of sample results and knowledge the process generates listed waste.
- Primary contaminant is Ni. Others included are Cd, Cr, Pb, and Ag, but these are below RCRA LDR concentration standards.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Typical activity is 5.0E-1 nCi/g
- Alpha emitters are U<sup>234</sup>, U<sup>235</sup>, U<sup>236</sup>, and U<sup>238</sup>
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

#### **SR-W035, Mixed Waste Oil-Sitewide**

Waste oil is generated from sitewide preventative maintenance programs such as changing refrigeration oil in the Separations Area chillers and waste oil from lubricating and hydraulic oil change-outs from CIF equipment, also includes diesel fuel and ethylene glycol. Routinely, this is a nonradioactive used oil that could be recycled for energy recovery. However, some drums may have detectable levels of radionuclides, thus preventing recycling. Hydraulic or lubricating oil used in chillers often becomes contaminated with Freon®, the refrigerant. Contaminants in the Freon® (D019, D039, D040) also have been determined to make the waste oil a mixed waste. This waste stream also includes moratorium/curtailment waste that radiological analysis has shown to be mixed waste, as well as liquids formerly in waste stream SR-W078, LDR Hazardous Waste Awaiting Radiological Screening.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic liquid

#### *Waste Code*

- |                                  |                               |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| • D001A (ignitable high TOC)     | • D011 (TCLP Ag)              |
| • D002 (corrosive nonwastewater) | • D018 (benzene)              |
| • D004 (TCLP As)                 | • D019 (carbon tetrachloride) |
| • D005 (TCLP Ba)                 | • D022 (chloroform)           |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)                | • D029 (1,1-dichloroethylene) |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)                 | • D039 (tetrachloroethylene)  |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)                | • D040 (trichloroethylene)    |
| • D009A (TCLP Hg)                | • U123 (formic acid)          |
| • D010 (TCLP Se)                 | • Nonwastewater               |

This waste stream is forecasted to include wastes generated by CIF operations. Those codes would depend on the specific generation episode at CIF; potentially, any of the many waste codes included in the CIF RCRA permit could apply.

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D001A = specified technology = REORGS, CMBST or POLYM
- D002 = specified technology = DEACT



- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l TCLP
  - D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l TCLP
  - D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l TCLP
  - D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l TCLP
  - D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
  - D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
  - D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP
  - D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l TCLP
  - D018 = concentration based standard = 10.0 mg/kg
  - D019, D022, D029, D039, D040 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- 
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet the Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis are used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high because of TCLP results.
- TCLP has been run on nonradioactive Freon<sup>®</sup> 11 only.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Tritium is present in waste stream.
- level waste Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste.

### **SR-W042, Paints and Thinners**

This waste stream consists of radioactively contaminated, off-specification waste paint, spent paint solvents, and paint chips from paint removal activities.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic sludge/particulate

#### *Waste Code*

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| • D001C (ignitable low TOC nonwastewaters) | • D018 (benzene)  |
| • D005 (TCLP Ba)                           | • D035 (methyl ethyl ketone)                            |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)                          | • D038 (pyridine)                                       |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)                           | • F003A (xylene, acetone)                               |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)                          | • F005A (halogenated and nonhalogenated spent solvents) |
| • D009A (TCLP Hg)                          | • Nonwastewater   |
| • D011 (TCLP Ag)                           |   |

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D001 = specified technology = REORG or CMBST
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l, TCLP
- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l, TCLP
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l, TCLP
- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP

- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l, TCLP
- D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg, UTS = 10 mg/kg
- D035 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg, UTS = 36 mg/kg
- D038 = concentration based standard = 16 mg/kg, UTS = 16 mg/kg
- F003 = concentration based standards = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP - 160 mg/kg
- F005 = concentration based standards = 4.8 mg/l, TCLP - 170 mg/kg, except for 2 – Ethoxyethanol, and 2 – Nitropropane = CMBST
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituent (UHC) that may be present.
- Future generation may include listed spent solvent codes F001, F002, F003, and /or F005.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Confidence level is high because sample and analysis available.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha and beta/gamma emitters
- Waste is contact handled
- Mixed low-level waste

### **SR-W051, Spent Filter Cartridges and Carbon Filter Media**

The waste stream consists of incinerable filters and filter media. Examples of this waste stream include filters in Naval Fuels used to remove particles contaminated with mercury salts and depleted uranium from the process flow stream. Also included in this waste are CIF feed tank and offgas HEPA filters.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Heterogeneous debris

#### *Waste Code*

- |                              |                               |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| • D004 (TCLP As)             | • D009A (low TCLP Hg)         |
| • D005 (TCLP Ba)             | • D010 (TCLP Se)              |
| • D006 (TCLP Cd)             | • D011 (TCLP Ag)              |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)             | • D008A (TCLP Pb)             |
| • D018 (benzene)             | • D019 (carbon tetrachloride) |
| • D021 (chlorobenzene)       | • D034 (hexachloroethane)     |
| • D035 (methyl ethyl ketone) | • D039 (tetrachloroethylene)  |
| • D040 (trichloroethylene)   | • Nonwastewater               |

Waste from CIF could contain all the listed waste codes that are fed to CIF and any characteristic waste codes determined by analysis. Refer to waste codes listed for SR-W046 and SR-W047 for a complete listing of all waste codes permitted.

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l TCLP
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l TCLP
- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l TCLP

- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l TCLP
  - D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
  - D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
  - D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l TCLP
  - D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP
  - D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - D019 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - D021 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - D022 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - D032 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - D034 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
  - D039 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - D040 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - Alternative debris technology may be applied.
- 
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

CIF waste will have treatment standards that are reflected in the waste fed to CIF and any applicable characteristic waste. Specific information on treatment standards can be acquired by looking at specific wastes in Volume II.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge and sample analysis are used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high-based sample analysis.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma emitters are present.
- Alpha emitters ( $U^{233}$ ,  $U^{234}$ , and  $U^{238}$ ) are present.
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

#### **SR-W055, Job Control Waste Containing Solvent Contaminated Wipes**

This waste is sitewide operations generated job waste, including radiologically contaminated plastic huts, protective clothing, contaminated metal tools, glass, paper, and cardboard that is suspected to have been mixed with solvent contaminated wipes. Job waste has been declared mixed waste according to the Mixture Rule. Wastes in this stream were declared mixed waste January 25, 1990. SRS has modified procedures and practices regarding solvent contaminated wipes generation and management to eliminate or substantially reduce this type of waste.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- F001 (Spent halogenated degreasing solvents)
- F002 (Spent halogenated solvents)
- F003A (Spent nonhalogenated solvents)
- F005A (Halogenated and nonhalogenated spent solvents)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- F001 & F002 = concentration based standards = 6.0-30 mg/kg
- F003 = concentration based standards = 0.75 mg/l TCLP-160 mg/kg
- F005 = concentration based standards = 4.8 mg/l TCLP-170 mg/kg, except for 2-Ethoxyethanol, and 2-Nitropropane = CMBST
- Alternate debris technology may be applied.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is medium based on the use of process knowledge to characterize waste. Also, other waste in the waste stream may not actually be contaminated with solvents but are characterized as such, according to the Mixture Rule.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma emitters are present.
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste.

#### **SR-W070, Mixed Waste from Laboratory Samples**

This waste stream consists of incinerable lab waste from the analytical testing of groundwater samples taken from the site and processed at onsite or commercial, offsite laboratories. It includes sample residues, unused samples, and related laboratory wastes. In addition, this waste stream may include used and unused laboratory reagents. Wastes included in this stream may consist of both liquid and solid (e.g. soil) matrices. Radiological levels and hazardous constituent levels will depend upon the source location.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Liquids
- Solids

#### *Waste Code*

- |                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| • D001C (ignitable, low TOC)       | • F004X (unspecified solvents)               |
| • D002 (corrosive, nonwastewater)  | • F005 (spent non-halogenated solvents)      |
| • D004 (TCLP As)                   | • F006 (metal plating waste without cyanide) |
| • D005 (TCLP Ba)                   | • U002 (acetone)                             |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)                  | • U003 (acetonitrile)                        |
| • D007 (TCLP 1,1-Dichloroethylene) | • U019 (benzene)                             |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)                  | • U037 (chlorobenzene)                       |
| • D009A (TCLP Hg)                  | • U045 (chloromethane)                       |
| • D010 (TCLP Se)                   | • U080 (methylene chloride)                  |
| • D011 (TCLP Ag)                   | • U123 (formic acid)                         |
| • D018 (TCLP Benzene)              | • U127 (hexachlorobenzene)                   |
| • D019 (carbon tetrachloride)      | • U131 (hexachloroethane)                    |
| • D038 (pyridine)                  | • U159 (methylethyl ketone)                  |
| • D039 (tetrachloroethylene)       | • U188 (phenol)                              |
| • D040 (trichloroethylene)         | • U165 (naphthalene)                         |
| • F001 (unspecified)               | • U210 (tetrachloroethylene)                 |
| • F002 (methylene chloride)        | • U211 (carbon tetrachloride)                |
| • F003A (ethyl ether)              | • U220 (toluene)                             |

- U226 (1,1,1-trichloroethane)
- U228 (trichloroethylene)
- U239 (xylenes)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D001 = specified technology = DEACT, or RORGS or CMBST
  - D002 = specified technology = DEACT
  - D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l, TCLP
  - D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l, TCLP
  - D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l, TCLP
  - D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l, TCLP
  - D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP
  - D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP
  - D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l, TCLP
  - D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - D019 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - D038 = concentration based standard = 16 mg/kg
  - D039 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - D040 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - F001 = concentration based standard = 6-30 mg/kg
  - F002 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
  - F003 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
  - F004 = concentration based standard = 6-160 mg/kg
  - F005 = concentration based standard = 4.8 mg/L, TCLP through 170 mg/kg; except 2 – Ethoxyethanol, 2 Nitropropane = CMBST
  - F006 = concentration based standard = 0.19 – 5.0 mg/l, TCLP
  - U002 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
  - U003 = specified technology = CMBST
  - U019 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - U037 = concentration based standard = 6 mg/kg
  - U045 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
  - U080 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
  - U123 = specified technology = CMBST
  - U127 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - U131 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
  - U159 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg
  - U165 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
  - U188 = concentration based standard = 6.2 mg/kg
  - U210 = concentration based standard = 6 mg/kg
  - U211 = concentration based standard = 6 mg/kg
  - U220 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - U226 = concentration based standard = 6 mg/kg
  - U228 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - U239 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
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- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis are used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high because waste has been characterized by sampling and analysis.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- H<sup>3</sup>, Am<sup>241</sup>, Cs<sup>137</sup>, Pu<sup>238</sup>, Pu<sup>239</sup>, Sr<sup>90</sup>, U<sup>234</sup>, U<sup>235</sup>, U<sup>236</sup>, and U<sup>238</sup>

- <100 nCi/g
- Contact handled

#### **SR-W071, Wastewater Suitable for Thermal Treatment or Stabilization**

This waste stream consists of wastewaters that are suitable for thermal treatment, stabilization, or macroencapsulation. These wastewaters include aqueous wastes with listed organic constituents that can be incinerated, stabilized, or macroencapsulated in compliance with LDR requirements. Examples include wastewater collected from CIF sumps and aqueous solutions with organic contaminants such as a small volume of outdated ethyl ether in water stored in an analytical laboratory satellite accumulation area. It is anticipated that other wastes of a similar nature could be generated in the future. Wastewaters that do not meet the requirements of 268.3 (c) will be stabilized.

Previously, this waste stream included rainwater that was removed from TRU waste 55-gallon drums. The reported inventory of this rainwater has been treated at CIF, and there is currently no rainwater remaining to be treated.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Aqueous liquid

#### *Waste Code*

- |                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| • D002 (corrosive, wastewater) | • D011 (TCLP Ag)                                  |
| • D004 (TCLP As)               | • F001 (Spent halogenated degreasing solvents)    |
| • D005 (TCLP Ba)               | • F002 (Spent halogenated solvents)               |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)              | • F003A (Spent nonhalogenated solvents)           |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)               | • F005A (Halogenated and nonhalogenated solvents) |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)              | • Nonwastewater                                   |
| • D009A (TCLP Hg)              | • Wastewater                                      |
| • D010 (TCLP Se)               |   |

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D002 = specified technology = DEACT and meet UTS
- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l, TCLP
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l, TCLP
- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l, TCLP
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l, TCLP
- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP
- D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l, TCLP
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l, TCLP
- F001 = concentration based standard = 6-30 mg/kg
- F002 = concentration based standard = 6-30 mg/kg
- F003 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP through 60 mg/kg
- F005 = concentration based standard = 4.8 mg/l, TCLP through 170 mg/kg; except 2-Ethoxyethanol, 2-Nitropropane = CMBST
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituent (UHC) that may be present.

Waste from CIF could contain any or all of the listed waste codes that are fed to CIF. The CIF RCRA Part B permit should be consulted for the complete list.

*Waste Characterization*

- Radiological and chemical analysis will be performed on wastes that are included in this waste stream.
- Confidence level is high because sampling and analysis has been performed.

*Radiological Characterization*

- Contact handled
- Mixed low-level waste
- Radiological characterization of future waste streams cannot be determined at this time. Both alpha and beta/gamma emitters are expected.

**SR-W080, Charleston Naval Shipyard Waste (CN-W001, CN-W004)**

This waste stream is composed of flammable or incinerable solids and debris containing potassium chromate and/or contaminated with chromium and/or lead generated from ship overhaul, decommissioning, and routine shipyard maintenance. Charleston Naval Shipyard waste was shipped to SRS and placed in RCRA permitted storage, as concurred by SCDHEC, in December 1995 prior to the closure of the Charleston Naval Shipyard in April 1996. The Approved Site Treatment Plan had three waste streams listed for the CNS waste. However, upon shipment, only two waste streams were received at SRS for storage. The third waste stream, Flammable Organic Debris (CN-W007), was never generated by the Naval Yard.

*Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Codes*

- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- Nonwastewater

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D007 = Concentration Based Standard = 0.60 mg/l TCLP
- D008 = Concentration Based Standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

*Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge

*Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma emitters are present.
- Primary radionuclide constituent = Co<sup>60</sup>
- Contact handled

**SR-W081, Reactive/Ignitable Waste**

This waste stream is currently composed of SRTC laboratory wastes generated as a result of preparing metal specimens for examination in the transmission electron microscope. Metal disks were electropolished using a solution of perchloric acid, butycellosolve, and methanol. Because of its reactivity, the spent perchloric acid solution is deactivated with distilled water in the storage area.

*Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- Aqueous liquid

*Waste Codes*

- D001A (ignitable high TOC)
- D003E (other reactive)

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D001 = specified technology = RORGS or CMBST
- D003 = specified technology = DEACT
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituent (UHC) that may be present.



#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge
- Confidence level is high based upon the known composition and quantity of chemicals used to formulate the perchloric acid polishing solution.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Radionuclide constituent - Co<sup>60</sup>, H<sup>3</sup>, Pu<sup>239</sup>, Pu<sup>238</sup>
- Contact handled

#### **SR-W087, Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory Contaminated Oil, (BT-W035 part of BT-W003)**

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- D006 (TCLP Cd)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/L TCLP
- D008A = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/L TCLP

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sample results
- Process knowledge

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma emitters are present.
- Primary radionuclide constituent = U233
- Contact handled

## **3.2 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams Requiring Technology Development**

Due to the complexity of some waste streams, technologies have not been developed that can adequately treat the waste. Therefore treatment strategies for some waste streams have not been selected. This section addresses those mixed low-level waste streams that require technology development for the treatment of the waste stream.

### **3.2.1 Development of Mobile Unit Technology**

Currently, there are no waste streams in this category.

### 3.2.2 Development of Characterization Technology

The waste stream, SR-W056, Job Control Waste with Enriched Uranium and Solvent Contaminated Wipes, previously included in this section has been determined to be nonhazardous. Currently, there are no additional waste streams requiring development of chemical characterization technology.

### 3.2.3 Development of Treatment Technology

The waste stream SR-W045B, PUREX Organic (the organic fraction of the former SR-W045 waste stream) was previously planned to be treated by thermal treatment at the Consolidated Incineration Facility (CIF). The preferred option for this waste stream is now to develop a direct stabilization process using new technology which will allow the treatment of this waste stream to be completed on a greatly accelerated timescale and for a considerable cost-savings over the use of CIF.

By agreement with SCDHEC a new STP milestone has been agreed to reflect the accelerated treatment of this waste stream by a new technology.

#### SR-W045B, PUREX Organic Waste

An organic solvent generated in the Plutonium/Uranium Extraction Process (PUREX) used in the Separations areas. SR-W044, Tri-Butyl-Phosphate and n-Paraffin TRU, have been combined with this waste stream.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic liquid

#### *Waste Code*

- D004 (TCLP As)
- D005 (TCLP Ba)
- D006A (TCLP Cd)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D010 (TCLP Se)
- D011 (TCLP Ag)
- D018 (benzene)
- D040 (trichloroethylene)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l TCLP
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l TCLP
- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l TCLP
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l TCLP
- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
- D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l TCLP
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP
- D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- D040 = concentration based standard = 6 mg/kg

- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet the Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis are used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high because sampling and analysis is available.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is 120 nCi/g.
- Cm<sup>244</sup>, Am<sup>241</sup>, Pu<sup>239</sup>, Eu<sup>154</sup>, Ba<sup>137</sup>, H<sup>3</sup>, Pu<sup>241</sup>, Sb<sup>125</sup>, Cm<sup>243</sup>, Pu<sup>240</sup>, Tc<sup>99</sup>, Pu<sup>238</sup>, and Cs<sup>137</sup>; lesser amounts of Zr<sup>95</sup>, Th<sup>234</sup>, Zn<sup>65</sup>, Pr, Pr<sup>144</sup>, Co<sup>60</sup>, Ag<sup>110m</sup>, C<sup>14</sup>, Co<sup>57</sup>, Eu<sup>155</sup>, I<sup>129</sup>, Na<sup>22</sup>, Pa<sup>234m</sup>, Pu<sup>242</sup>, Se<sup>79</sup>, Sr<sup>90</sup>, U<sup>233</sup>, U<sup>234</sup>, U<sup>235</sup>, U<sup>238</sup>, and Y<sup>90</sup>
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste.

## **3.3 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams for Which Further Characterization is Required**

This section discusses the schedules for those specific waste streams that require further chemical or radiological characterization prior to the selection of a preferred treatment option. The categories in this section are divided into waste streams to be further characterized and hazardous wastes awaiting radiological screening.

### **3.3.1 Waste Streams to be Further Characterized**

Currently, there are no waste streams in this category. The waste streams previously assigned to this category, SR-W025, Solvent/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g and SR-W033, Thirds/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g, have been relocated to Section 4.2.2 of Chapter 4 of this Volume.

### **3.3.2 Hazardous Wastes Awaiting Radiological Screening**

*The preferred option for the waste streams in this waste group is the development of sampling protocols to verify that SRS has not introduced radiological contamination or analytical techniques to properly characterize the radiological constituents in the waste. Afterward, waste can be appropriately classified as mixed or hazardous only, and the proper management can be identified. Waste characterized as mixed will undergo technical analysis for treatment option identification or be placed into an existing waste treatment category.*

#### **General Information**

At the present time, the sole representative for this waste group is:

#### **SR-W078, LDR Hazardous Waste Awaiting Radiological Screening**

The waste stream is composed of dark liquids, thick organic liquids, and heterogeneous solids generated site-wide in areas where radiological contamination is possible but uncertain. The physical makeup of the remainder of this waste stream has prevented adequate radiological characterization to date because the waste is either heterogeneous, requiring development of special, recognized sampling protocols to satisfactorily sample the waste for characterization; or, is opaque, requiring specialized analytical methods to quantify and qualify radiological waste constituents.

*Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream composition*

- Heterogeneous solids, dark liquids, and thick organic liquids

*Waste Codes*

- |                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| • D001A (ignitable high TOC) | • D040 (trichloroethylene)                     |
| • D004 (TCLP As)             | • F001 (spent halogenated degreasing solvents) |
| • D005 (TCLP Ba)             | • F002 (spent halogenated solvents)            |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)            | • F003 (spent nonhalogenated solvents)         |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)             | • F005 (spent nonhalogenated solvents)         |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)            | • F027 (Dioxin-containing waste)               |
| • D009A (TCLP Hg)            | • P051 (Endrin)                                |
| • D010 (TCLP Se)             | • P123 (Toxaphene)                             |
| • D011 (TCLP Ag)             | • U045 (Methyl chloride)                       |
| • D012 (Endrin)              | • U061 (DDT)                                   |
| • D013 (Lindane)             | • U108 (1,4-Dioxane)                           |
| • D014 (Methoxy chlor)       | • U129 (Lindane)                               |
| • D015 (Toxaphene)           | • U210 (Tetrachloroethylene)                   |
| • D016 (2,4-D)               | • U226 (1,1,1 trichloroethane)                 |
| • D017 (2, 4, 5-TP [Silvex]) | • U228 (Trichloroethylene)                     |
| • D018 (Benzene)             | • U247 (Methoxychlor)                          |
| • D020 (Chlordane)           | • Nonwastewater                                |
| • D035 (Methylethyl ketone)  |  |

*LDR Treatment Standards*

- D001 = specified technology = RORGS or CMBST
- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l TCLP
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l TCLP
- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l TCLP
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l TCLP
- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP
- D012 = concentration based standard = 0.13 mg/kg
- D013 = concentration based standard = 0.066 mg/kg
- D014 = concentration based standard = 0.18 mg/kg
- D015 = concentration based standard = 2.6 mg/kg
- D016 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- D017 = concentration based standard = 7.9 mg/kg
- D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- D020 = concentration based standard = 0.26 mg/kg
- D035 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg
- D040 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- F001 & F002 = concentration based standard = 6.0-30 mg/kg
- F003 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP-160 mg/kg
- F005 = concentration based standard = 4.8 mg/l TCLP-170 mg/kg, except 2-Ethoxyethanol, 2-Nitropropane = CMBST
- F027 = concentration based standard = 10 - 28 mg/kg (depends on specific chemical)
- P051 = concentration based standard = 0.13 mg/kg
- P123 = concentration based standard = 2.6 mg/kg
- U045 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg

- U061 = concentration based standard = 0.087 mg/kg
  - U108 = specified technology = CMBST; or = concentration based standard = 170 mg/kg
  - U129 = concentration based standard = 0.066 mg/kg
  - U210 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - U226 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - U228 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - U247 = concentration based standard = 0.18 mg/kg
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- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge and sampling and analysis were used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high because there is extensive process knowledge and because sampling and analysis has been performed on portions of the waste stream.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Unknown at this time. Awaiting characterization. Level of radiological contamination very low, if present.

### **3.4 Mixed Low-Level Waste Streams Requiring Radionuclide Decay Prior to LDR Treatment**

#### **Radioactive Decay Waste Group**

*The preferred treatment option for Radioactive Decay Waste Group is treatment by aging in a regulated storage facility followed by combustion in a facility equivalent to the CIF.*

#### **General Information**

At the present time, the sole representative of this waste group is:

#### **SR-W036, Tritiated Oil with Mercury**

This waste stream consists of used oil from pumps and compressors operated in the tritium facilities. The oil is contaminated with tritium and mercury. Reliable characterization is hindered because of concerns about exposure of laboratory personnel to the high levels of radiation in the oil. Moreover, the radiation has the potential to cause scintillation counting interferences. The possibility of mercury contamination has been established, but the concentration has not been quantified.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Other inorganic particulates

#### *Waste Code*

- D009E (hydraulic oil contaminated with Hg and radioactive materials)
- Nonwastewater

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D009 = Specified Technology = IMERC

*Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is low. High tritium levels prevent analysis.

*Radiological Characterization*

- Tritium contamination variable (background to ~ 185 Ci/l).
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste.

## 3.5 SRS Treatment Facilities that have Discontinued Operations

### 3.5.1 Consolidated Incineration Facility (CIF)

Combustion in CIF was the preferred option for certain mixed waste streams listed below. Previous CIF commitments and assumptions are included in the following pages for historical information.

SR-W001, Rad-Contaminated Solvents

SR-W003, Solvent Contaminated Debris (LLW)

SR-W012, Toxic Characteristics Solids for Treatment in CIF

SR-W018, Listed Incinerable Solids

SR- W022, DWPF Benzene

SR-W028, Mark 15 Filter Paper

SR-W035, Mixed Waste Oil–Sitewide

SR-W042, Paints and Thinners

SR-W045, Tri-Butyl-Phosphate and n-Paraffin (PUREX) (included SR-W045A and SR-W045B)

SR-W051, Spent Filter Cartridges and Carbon Filter Media

SR-W055, Job Control Waste Containing Solvent Contaminated Wipes

SR-W070, Mixed Waste from Laboratory Samples

SR-W071, Wastewater Suitable for Treatment in CIF

The 1995 RCRA Permit was revised February 2, 2001. This permit revision identifies that CIF operations are suspended and requires that a decision be made by April 1, 2002, on whether to restart CIF or use alternative treatment for the waste stream.

#### **Schedule for this Onsite Facility**

Submittal of all applicable permit applications:

Completed. CIF received its RCRA Part B Permit with an effective date of November 1992. The air emissions construction permit was effective in December 1992. The National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) construction permit was received in June 1989.

Entering into contracts:	Completed. Entering into contracts was completed prior to approval of the STP on September 29, 1995.
Initiating construction:	Completed. Construction was initiated on January 5, 1993, and essentially completed in July 1995.
Conducting systems testing:	Completed. Systems testing began in July 1995.
Commencing operations:	Completed. The CIF began operation on April 24, 1997.
Submit waste processing schedule:	Completed. Schedule was submitted on October 17, 1997. Schedule, as amended with this update, includes the following commitments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Complete processing of 50% of back-logged non-PUREX SRS mixed wastes by 4QFY98. (Completed September 18, 1998. 370.9 m<sup>3</sup> processed of a total of 702 m<sup>3</sup>.)</li></ul>

### 3.5.2 Recycling

Recycling in D-Area Heavy Water Facility was the preferred option for certain waste streams, including the following:

SR-W032A, Mercury Contaminated Heavy Water

Completion of treatment of SR-W032A, Mercury Contaminated Heavy Water occurred September 25, 1997, at the D-Area Heavy Water Facility, which was closed as of September 30, 1999. No additional waste is awaiting treatment.

### 3.5.3 M-Area Vendor Treatment

M-Area Vendor

Stabilization by vitrification in the M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility was the preferred option for certain mixed waste streams, including, but not limited to, the following:

SR-W005, Mark 15 Filtercake

SR-W029, M-Area Sludge Treatability Samples

SR-W031, Uranium/Chromium Solution

SR-W037, M-Area Plating Line Sludges

SR-W038, Plating Line Sump Material

SR-W039, Nickel Plating Line Solution

SR-W048, Soils from Spill Remediation

Completion of treatment of waste stream SR-W048 occurred February 8, 1999; however, additional waste meeting the description of SR-W048 has recently been generated (see Sec. 3.1.2.5 for preferred option). Completion of treatment of waste streams SR-W005, SR-W029, SR-W031, SR-W037, SR-W038, and SR-W039 occurred February 22, 1999. No additional waste is awaiting treatment, and as of October 1, 1999, the M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility underwent closure per the Clean Water Act. A small quantity of sludge generated at the time of facility closure was treated by stabilization in a 90-day accumulation area.

#### Treatment of Onsite Wastes Requiring Vitrification

The following new waste stream SR-W082, Radioactive Chemicals, Metals, and Pesticides (CMP) Soil, was declared a mixed waste July 7, 1998. The preferred treatment option, which was to be submitted to SCDHEC by July 30, 1999, was

submitted to SCDHEC on October 16, 1998. The preferred treatment option was vitrification of the waste at the M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility. Treatment of the waste in storage at that time was completed February 24, 1999, in the M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility. Additional waste has been generated. The preferred option for this new SR-W082 waste is found in Sec. 3.1.2.5.

Decontamination in an existing onsite facility is the preferred option for certain mixed waste streams, including, but not limited to, the following:

SR-W013, Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead- to be Decontaminated

#### **Estimated Schedule for Treatment of this Waste Stream**

Shipment of waste:	Completed. Three boxes were shipped by December 31, 1998, which met the requirement to ship first container of waste to decontamination facility by 1QFY99. An additional commitment to issue a Request for Proposal by December 31, 1999, for any lead that is a candidate for offsite decontamination was determined to be unnecessary and was documented as complete on December 9, 1999. This potential alternate lead waste stream had previously been designated as SR-W013B. Decontamination continues.
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#### **Schedule Assumptions**

This waste stream was eliminated January 31, 2002 because no deconnable waste remained in storage.

## **Appendix for LDR Compliant Wastes**



This appendix contains descriptive information on waste streams which do not appear in the Compliance Plan Volume preferred option discussion because they meet the Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) Treatment Standard, meet the LDR standard when they are generated, or are recycled (includes scrap metal).

#### **SR-W007, SRL (SRTC) Low Activity Waste**

Since 1952, slightly acidic, dilute sodium nitrate waste typically originating in laboratories located in Building 773-A of the Savannah River Technology Center (SRTC) has been discharged to the SRL (SRTC) Low-Activity Mixed Waste Storage Tanks (MWST). The SRL (SRTC) Low Activity waste may be hazardous depending primarily on its pH and mercury content. Lead, chromium, and benzene concentrations in the waste stream may also potentially exceed regulatory levels. This waste stream is generated by laboratory research, development, and analytical programs. While the waste stream is low-level, it is also subdivided into two categories; (1) low-activity waste - which drains to the SRTC MWST from laboratory sink drain located in RCAs and has total activity of less than 1,000 d/m/ml and, (2) high-activity waste - which typically drains to the SRTC MWST from cupsinks in regulated hoods or gloveboxes and has total activity of greater than 1,000 d/m/ml.

For this report the Low Activity and the High Activity wastes are considered to be two separate wastestreams.

The SRL (SRTC) Low Activity waste is stored in four (4) 5900-gallon stainless steel tanks in Building 776-2A.

##### *Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

##### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Aqueous Liquid

##### *Waste Code*

- D002 (corrosive, wastewater)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D018 (benzene)

##### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D002 = Render non-hazardous (and ultimately manage in a CWA facility)
- D007 = Render non-hazardous (and ultimately manage in a CWA facility)
- D008A = Render non-hazardous (and ultimately manage in a CWA facility)
- D009 = Render non-hazardous (and ultimately manage in a CWA facility)
- D018 = Render non-hazardous (and ultimately manage in a CWA facility)

##### *Waste Characterization*

- Sample results

##### *Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha and beta/gamma emitters present. Tritium present.

#### **SR-W008, SRL (SRTC) High Activity Waste**

Since 1952, slightly acidic, dilute sodium nitrate waste typically originating in laboratories located in Building 773-A of the Savannah River Technology Center (SRTC) has been discharged to the SRL (SRTC) Low-Activity Mixed Waste Storage Tanks (MWST). The SRL (SRTC) Low Activity waste may be hazardous depending primarily on its

pH and mercury content. Lead, chromium, and benzene concentrations in the waste stream may also potentially exceed regulatory levels. This waste stream is generated by laboratory research, development, and analytical programs. While the waste stream is low-level, it is also subdivided into two categories; (1) low-activity waste - which drains to the SRTC MWST from laboratory sink drain located in RCAs and has total activity of less than 1,000 d/m/ml and, (2) high-activity waste - which typically drains to the SRTC MWST from cupsinks in regulated hoods or gloveboxes and has total activity of greater than 1,000 d/m/ml.

For this report the Low Activity and the High Activity wastes are considered to be two separate wastestreams.

The SRL (SRTC) High Activity waste is stored in two (2) 5900-gallon and four (4) 3670-gallon stainless steel tanks in Building 776-2A.

#### *Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Aqueous liquid

#### *Waste Code*

- D002 (corrosive, wastewater)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D018 (benzene)

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D002 = Render non-hazardous (and ultimately manage in a CWA facility)
- D007 = Render non-hazardous (and ultimately manage in a CWA facility)
- D008A = Render non-hazardous (and ultimately manage in a CWA facility)
- D009 = Render non-hazardous (and ultimately manage in a CWA facility)
- D018 = Render non-hazardous (and ultimately manage in a CWA facility)

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sample Results

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha and beta/gamma emitters present. Tritium present.

### **SR-W011, Cadmium-Coated HEPA Filters**

This waste stream consists of HEPA filter frames used to filter ventilation air from the reactors. This material is exempt from RCRA under the scrap metal exclusion (Part 261.6(a)(3)0. The scrap metal has been recycled by a vendor. The filter frames are hazardous due to cadmium plating on the metal frames. Replacement units are stainless steel framed filters.

#### *Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- Cadmium-containing metal debris

*Waste Code*

- D006A (TCLP Cd) nonwastewater

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- N/A – Scrap Metal Exclusion

*Waste Characterization*

- Sample Results

*Radiological Characterization*

- Tritium is present

**SR-W015, Mercury/Tritium Contaminated Equipment**

Retired process equipment (mostly pumps) contaminated with tritium, sometimes mercury (HWI #002), sometimes lead (HWI #033), and sometimes silver (HWI #0057).

Retired equipment has both adsorbed and matrix-diffused tritium contamination and wetted-surface mercury residues from direct contact with process gases. Lead is present in some of the equipment (fuel cells, solder and lead collars).

*Volume*

- Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- Predominantly metal debris

*Waste Code*

- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D011 (TCLP Ag)

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D008A = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
- D009A = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP

*Waste Characterization*

- Process Knowledge

*Radiological Characterization*

- U<sup>238</sup> and Tritium present

**SR-W020, Salt Processing Filters**

These filters may be a future debris waste stream. The filters are used in the treatment and separation of salt solution in preparation for processing in the Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF) and Saltstone Facility. The salt solution is treated to remove radioactive cesium to adsorb strontium and plutonium. This process is expected to eventually foul the filters, requiring their removal, treatment, and disposal.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Inorganic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D018 (benzene)
- D036 (nitrobenzene)
- Nonwastewater

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
- D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- D036 = concentration based standard = 14 mg/kg
- Alternate debris technology may be applied.
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet the Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is medium since this waste stream has not yet been generated.
- Typical expected concentration is 236 g Hg and 5000 g benzene per filter. This is estimated by calculation.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is estimated to be 64-3400 Ci/filter.
- Beta/gamma emitters are Cs<sup>137</sup>, Cs<sup>134</sup>, Sr<sup>90</sup>, Tc<sup>99</sup>, Ru<sup>106</sup>, Sb<sup>125</sup>, and I<sup>129</sup>.
- Waste is remote handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

### **SR-W023, Cadmium Safety/Control Rods**

The safety/control rods are steel encapsulated, cadmium containing rods used to control neutron flux in the reactors. The rods are approximately 22 feet long, one inch in diameter.

#### *Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Cadmium-containing metal debris

*Waste Code*

- D006A (TCLP Cd)

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D006A = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l TCLP

D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

*Waste Characterization*

- Sample Results

*Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma emitters present

**SR-W024, Mercury/Tritium Gold Traps**

Elemental mercury has been amalgamated on gold foil. A typical trap consists of a stainless steel cylindrical housing that is 38 inches high and 2 inches in diameter that contains gold foil on 16 evenly spaced trays. Each trap contains ~125 g of elemental gold. Contamination is variable, depending on use and changeout frequency. Retired traps typically show surface amalgamation on ~1/4 of the gold, and contain 0.6 g of bound mercury. The estimated tritium contamination is 200 Ci per trap and is deemed conservative.

*Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- Metal debris

*Waste Code*

- D009A (TCLP Hg)

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D009A = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP

D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

*Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge

*Radiological Characterization*

- Tritium is present

### **SR-W032B, Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water Residues**

Heavy Water Operations laboratory in D area generated waste stream SR-W032A, "Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water" during analytical testing using mercuric chloride. The flush water from this analysis was collected and managed as hazardous waste. That waste stream is no longer generated due to a change in analysis procedures. The mercury content is now below toxic limits. SR-W032B is the residues from treatment of SR-W032A.

#### *Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Nonwastewater

#### *Waste Code*

- D009A (TCLP Hg)

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D009A = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP

D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sample results

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Tritium is present

### **SR-W040, Listed Stabilized Sludge/Listed LDR-Compliant Debris**

This waste is a stabilized sludge generated from the treatment of nickel plating line waste water and is stored in the M-Area pad. Also includes equipment, associated with the vitrification treatment process, which meet LDR. This includes an approximately 90,000 lb (gross weight) melter (14.3 m<sup>3</sup>) full of treated F006 waste and small amounts of debris/spill material which meets the LDR standards. The stream will also include debris items, meeting LDR, that were generated by CIF operations.

#### *Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Stabilized sludge and miscellaneous debris

#### *Waste Code*

- F001–F003, F005 (halogenated and non-halogenated spent solvents)
- F006 (wastewater treatment sludges from electroplating operations)
- F028 (residues from thermal treatment of F020, F021, F026, and F027 wastes)
- U002 (Acetone)
- U003 (Acetonitrile)

- U019 (Benzene)
- U037 (Chlorobenzene)
- U080 (Methylene chloride)
- U123 (Formic acid)
- U127 (Hexachlorobenzene)
- U131 (Hexachloroethane)
- U159 (Methyl ethyl ketone)
- U165 (Naphthalene)
- U188 (Phenol)
- U210 (Tetrachloroethylene)
- U211 (Carbon tetrachloride)
- U220 (Toluene)
- U226 (1,1,1-Trichloroethane)
- U228 (Trichloroethylene)
- U239 (Xylenes)

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- F001 and F002 = concentration based standard = 6.0 – 30 mg/kg
- F003 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP – 160 mg/kg
- F005 = concentration based standard = 4.8 mg/l, TCLP – 170 mg/kg except 2-Ethoxyethanol and 2-Nitropropane = CMBST
- F006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 – 11 mg/l TCLP
- F028 = concentration based standard = 0.001 to 7.4 mg/kg
- U002 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
- U003 = concentration based standard = 38 mg/kg or CMBST
- U019 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U037 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U080 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- U123 = specified technology = CMBST
- U127 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U131 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- U165 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
- U188 = concentration based standard = 6.2 mg/kg
- U210 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U211 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U220 = concentration based standard = 10.0 mg/kg
- U226 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U228 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U239 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sample results

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha and beta/gamma emitters present

#### **SR-W041, Aqueous Mercury and Lead**

Six small (e.g., 2 liters, 4 liters, etc.) containers of aqueous waste with lead and mercury overpacked in a poly-lined 55gal. drum. An additional 55 gallon drum in this waste stream is rinsate from the rinsing of Tank E-3-1 which contains low levels of mercury.

*Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- Aqueous Liquid

*Waste Code*

- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D009C (high Hg contains inorganics) wastewater

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.20 mg/l TCLP; or RMERC

D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

*Waste Characterization*

- Sample Results

*Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha emitters, beta/gamma emitters, and tritium are present.

**SR-W046, Consolidated Incineration Facility (CIF) Ash**  
**SR-W047, Consolidated Incineration Facility (CIF) Blowdown**

The following information is applicable to both the waste streams in this waste group.

*Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- SR-W046 - Inorganic sludge/particulate
- SR-W047 - Aqueous liquid and solids

*Waste Code*

- |                   |                                |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| • D004 (TCLP As)  | • U108 (1,4-Dioxane)           |
| • D005 (TCLP Ba)  | • U109 (1,2-Diphenylhydrazine) |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd) | • U110 (Dipropylamine)         |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)  | • U112 (Ethyl acetate)         |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb) | • U115 (Ethylene oxide)        |



- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D010 (TCLP Se)
- D011 (TCLP Ag)
- D012 (Endrin)
- D013 (Lindane)
- D014 (Methoxychlor)
- D015 (Toxaphene)
- D016 (2,4-D)
- D017 (2,4,5-TP/Silvex)
- D018 (Benzene)
- D019 (Carbon Tetrachloride)
- D020 (Chlordane)
- D021 (Chlorobenzene)
- D022 (Chloroform)
- D023 (o-Cresol)
- D024 (m-Cresol)
- D025 (p-Cresol)
- D026 (Cresol – total)
- D027 (1,4-Dichlorobenzene)
- D028 (1,2-Dichloroethane)
- D029 (1,2-Dichloroethylene)
- D030 (2,4-Dinitrotoluene)
- D031 (Heptachlor)
- D032 (Hexachlorobenzene)
- D033 (Hexachlorobutadiene)
- D034 (Hexachloroethane)
- D035 (Methyl Ethyl Ketone)
- D036 (Nitrobenzene)
- D037 (Pentachlorophenol)
- D038 (Pyridine)
- D039 (Tetrachloroethylene)
- D040 (Trichloroethylene)
- D041 (2,4,5-Trichlorophenol)
- D042 (2,4,6-Trichlorophenol)
- D043 (Vinyl Chloride)
- F001 (Unspecified solvents)
- F002 (Unspecified solvents)
- F003X (Unspecified solvents)
- F004X (Unspecified solvents)
- F005X (Unspecified solvents)
- F006 (Metal plating waste without cyanide)
- U001 (Acetaldehyde)
- U002 (Acetone)
- U003 (Acetonitrile)
- U004 (Acetophenone)
- U006 (Acetyl chloride)
- U007 (Acrylamide)
- U008 (Acrylic Acid)
- U009 (Acrylonitrile)
- U011 (Amitrole)
- U012 (Aniline)
- U014 (Auramine)
- U017 (Benzal chloride)
- U019 (Benzene)
- U021 (Benzidine)
- U022 (Benzo(a)pyrene)
- U023 (Benzotrichloride)
- U116 (Ethylene thiourea)
- U117 (Ethyl ether)
- U121 (Trichloromonofluoromethane)
- U122 (Formaldehyde)
- U123 (Formic acid)
- U124 (Furan)
- U125 (Furfural)
- U127 (Hexachlorobenzene)
- U128 (Hexachlorobutadiene)
- U129 (Lindane)
- U130 (Hexachlorocyclopentadiene)
- U131 (Hexachloroethane)
- U132 (Hexachlorophene)
- U133 (Hydrazine)
- U134 (Hydrogen fluoride)
- U136 (Cacodylic acid)
- U138 (Iodomethane)
- U140 (Isobutyl alcohol)
- U142 (Kepone)
- U144 (Lead acetate)
- U146 (Lead subacetate)
- U147 (Maleic anhydride)
- U151 (Mercury wastewaters)
- U154 (Methanol)
- U157 (3-Methylcholanthrene)
- U158 (4,4'-Methylene bis(2-chloroaniline))
- U159 (Methyl ethyl ketone)
- U161 (Methyl isobutyl ketone)
- U162 (Methyl methacrylate)
- U165 (Naphthalene)
- U166 (1,4-Naphthoquinone)
- U167 (1-Naphthylamine)
- U169 (Nitrobenzene)
- U170 (p-Nitrophenol)
- U171 (2-Nitropropane)
- U182 (Paraldehyde)
- U183 (Pentachlorobenzene)
- U184 (Pentachloroethane)
- U185 (Pentachloronitrobenzene)
- U187 (Phenacetin)
- U188 (Phenol)
- U190 (Phthalic anhydride)
- U196 (Pyridine)
- U197 (p-Benzoquinone)
- U201 (Resorcinol)
- U204 (Selenium dioxide)
- U207 (1,2,4,5-Tetrachlorobenzene)
- U208 (1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane)
- U209 (1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane)
- U210 (Tetrachloroethylene)
- U211 (Carbon Tetrachloride)
- U213 (Tetrahydrofuran)
- U215 (Thallium (I) carbonate)
- U216 (Thallium (I) chloride)
- U218 (Thioacetamide)
- U219 (Thiourea)
- U220 (Toluene)

- U025 (bis(2-Chloroethoxy)methane)
- U027 (bis(2-Chloroisopropyl)ether)
- U028 (bis(2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate)
- U031 (n-Butyl alcohol)
- U032 (Calcium chromate)
- U034 (Trichloroacetaldehyde)
- U036 (Chlordane)
- U037 (Chlorobenzene)
- U041 (Epichlorohydrin)
- U043 (Vinyl chloride)
- U044 (Chloroform)
- U045 (Methyl chloride)
- U046 (Chloromethyl methyl ether)
- U047 (2-Chloronaphthalene)
- U048 (2-Chlorophenol)
- U050 (Chrysene)
- U051 (Creosote)
- U052 (Creosols)
- U053 (Crotonaldehyde)
- U055 (Cumene)
- U056 (Cyclohexane)
- U057 (Cyclohexanone)
- U060 (DDD)
- U061 (DDT)
- U063 (Dibenz(a,h)anthracene)
- U067 (Ethylene dibromide)
- U069 (Di-n-butyl phthalate)
- U070 (o-Dichlorobenzene)
- U071 (m-Dichlorobenzene)
- U072 (p-Dichlorobenzene)
- U073 (3,3'-Dechlorobenzidine)
- U074 (1,4-Dichloro-2-butene)
- U075 (Dichlorodifluoromethane)
- U076 (1,1-Dichloroethane)
- U077 (1,2-Dichloroethane)
- U078 (1,1-Dichloroethylene)
- U079 (1,2-Dichloroethylene)
- U080 (Methylene chloride)
- U081 (2,4-Dichlorophenol)
- U082 (2,6-Dichlorophenol)
- U083 (1,2-Dichloropropane)
- U084 (1,3-Dichloropropylene)
- U088 (Diethyl phthalate)
- U091 (3,3-Dimethoxybenzidine)
- U092 (Dimethylamine)
- U095 (3,3'-Dimethylbenzidine)
- U102 (Dimethyl phthalate)
- U103 (Dimethyl sulfate)
- U105 (2,4-Dinitrotoluene)
- U106 (2,6-Dinitrotoluene)
- U223 (Toluene diisocyanate)
- U225 (Bromo form)
- U226 (1,1,1-Trichloroethane)
- U227 (1,1,2-Trichloroethane)
- U228 (Trichloroethylene)
- U234 (1,3,5-Trinitrobenzene)
- U236 (Trypan Blue)
- U239 (Xylenes)
- U247 (Methoxychlor)
- U328 (o-Toluidine)
- U359 (2-Ethoxyethanol)
- P005 (Allyl alcohol)
- P009 (Ammonium picrate)
- P011 (Arsenic pentoxide)
- P012 (Arsenic trioxide)
- P016 (Dichloromethyl ether)
- P017 (Bromoacetone)
- P018 (Brucine)
- P022 (Carbon disulfide)
- P023 (Chloroacetaldehyde)
- P024 (p-Chloroaniline)
- P028 (Benzyl chloride)
- P037 (Dieldrin)
- P045 (Thiofanox)
- P048 (2,4-Dinitrophenol)
- P051 (Endrin)
- P054 (Aziridine)
- P059 (Heptachlor)
- P060 (Isodrin)
- P063 (Hydrogen cyanide)
- P064 (Isocyanic acid, ethyl ester)
- P068 (Methyl hydrazine)
- P069 (2-Methylacetonitrile)
- P070 (Aldicarb)
- P077 (p-Nitroaniline)
- P089 (Parathion)
- P093 (Phenylthiourea)
- P095 (Phosgene)
- P098 (Potassium cyanide)
- P102 (Propargyl alcohol)
- P104 (Silver cyanide)
- P105 (Sodium azide)
- P106 (Sodium cyanide)
- P108 (Strychnine and salts)
- P112 (Tetranitromethane)
- P113 (Thallic oxide)
- P116 (Thiosemicarbazide)
- P119 (Ammonium vanadate)
- P120 (Vanadium pentoxide)
- P123 (Toxaphene)

- The waste codes describing the CIF ash and blowdown waste streams depend on the feed stream into CIF. The Blowdown waste stream will contain all of the listed waste codes that were fed into the CIF.

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l, TCLP
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l, TCLP
- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l, TCLP
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l, TCLP
- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP
- D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l, TCLP
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l, TCLP
- D012 = concentration based standard = 0.13 mg/kg
- D013 = concentration based standard = 0.0166 mg/kg
- D014 = concentration based standard = 0.18 mg/kg
- D015 = concentration based standard = 2.6 mg/kg
- D016 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- D017 = concentration based standard = 7.9 mg/kg
- D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- D019, D039, & D040 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- D020 = concentration based standard = 0.26 mg/kg
- D021 & D022 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- D023, D024 & D025 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
- D026 = concentration based standard = 11.2 mg/kg
- D027, D028, D029, & D043 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- D030 = concentration based standard = 140 mg/kg
- D031 = concentration based standard = 0.066 mg/kg
- D032 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- D033 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
- D034 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- D035 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg
- D036 = concentration based standard = 14 mg/kg
- D037, D041, & D042 = concentration based standard = 7.4 mg/kg
- D038 = concentration based standard = 16 mg/kg
- F001 = concentration based standard = 6-30 mg/kg
- F002 = concentration based standard = 6-30 mg/kg
- F003 = concentration based standard = 2.6 - 60 mg/kg
- F005 = concentration based standard = 10 - 170 mg/kg
- F006 = concentration based standard = 0.19 – 5.0 mg/l, TCLP
- U001, U006, U007, & U008 = specified technology = CMBST
- U002 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
- U003, U011, U014, & U017 = specified technology = CMBST
- U004 = concentration based standard = 9.7 mg/kg
- U009 = concentration based standard = 84 mg/kg
- U012 = concentration based standard = 14 mg/kg
- U019 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U021, U034, U041, & U046 = specified technology = CMBST
- U022 = concentration based standard = 3.4 mg/kg
- U023, U103, & U109 = specified technology = CHOXD; CHRED; or CMBST
- U025, U070, U071, & U072 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U027 = concentration based standard = 7.2 mg/kg
- U028 = concentration based standard = 28 mg/kg
- U031 = concentration based standard = 2.6 mg/kg
- U032 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/L, TCLP
- U036 = concentration based standard = 0.26 mg/kg
- U037, U043, & U044 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U045 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- U047 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
- U048 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/kg
- U050 = concentration based standard = 3.4 mg/kg
- U051 = concentration based standard = 5.6 – 30 mg/kg

- U052 = concentration based standard = 5.6 – 11.2 mg/kg
- U053, U055, & U056 = specified technology = CMBST
- U057 & U154 = specified technology = CMBST; or for nonwastewaters - 0.75 mg/L, TCLP
- U060 & D061 = concentration based standard = 0.0087 mg/kg
- U063 = concentration based standard = 8.2 mg/kg
- U067 = concentration based standard = 15 mg/kg
- U069, U088, U102, & U106 = concentration based standard = 28 mg/kg
- U073 & U074 = specified technology = CMBST
- U075 = concentration based standard = 7.2 mg/kg
- U076, U077, & U078 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U079 & U080 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- U081 & U082 = concentration based standard = 14 mg/kg
- U083 & U084 = concentration based standard = 18 mg/kg
- U091, U092, U095, & U108 = specified technology = CMBST
- U105 = concentration based standard = 140 mg/kg
- U110, U116, & U122 = specified technology = CMBST
- U112 = concentration based standard = 33 mg/kg
- U115 = specified technology = CHOXD; or CMBST
- U117 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
- U121 & U131 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- U123, U124, U125, & U132 = specified technology = CMBST
- U127 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U128 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
- U129 = concentration based standard = 0.066 mg/kg
- U130 = concentration based standard = 2.4 mg/kg
- U133 = specified technology = CHOXD; CHRED; or CMBST
- U134 = specified technology = ADGAS fb NEUTR; or NEUTR
- U136 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/L, TCLP
- U138 = concentration based standard = 65 mg/kg
- U140 = concentration based standard = 170 mg/kg
- U142 = concentration based standard = 0.13 mg/kg
- U144 & U146 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/L, TCLP
- U147, U166, U167, & U171 = specified technology = CMBST
- U151 = specified technology = RMERC
- U157 = concentration based standard = 15 mg/kg
- U158 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
- U159 = concentration based standard = 36 mg/kg
- U161 = concentration based standard = 33 mg/kg
- U162 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
- U165 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
- U169, U207 = concentration based standard = 14 mg/kg
- U170 = concentration based standard = 29 mg/kg
- U182, U197, U201, & U213 = specified technology = CMBST
- U183 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U184 = specified technology = CMBST; or 6.0 mg/kg
- U185 = concentration based standard = 4.8 mg/kg
- U187, U196 = concentration based standard = 16 mg/kg
- U188 = concentration based standard = 6.2 mg/kg
- U190 = concentration based standard = 28 mg/kg
- U204 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/L, TCLP
- U208, U209, U210, & U211 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U215 & U216 = specified technology = RTHRM; or STABL
- U218, U219, U223, U234, & U236 = specified technology = CMBST
- U220 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
- U225 = concentration based standard = 15 mg/kg
- U226, U227, & U228 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
- U239 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg

- U247 = concentration based standard = 0.18 mg/kg
  - U328 & U359= specified technology = CMBST
  - P005, P016, P017, & P018 = specified technology = CMBST
  - P009, P068, P105, & P112 = specified technology = CHOXD; CHRED; or CMBST
  - P011 & P012= concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/L, TCLP
  - P022 = specified technology = CMBST; or for nonwastewaters – 4.8 mg/L, TCLP
  - P023, P028, P045, & P054 = specified technology = CMBST
  - P024 = concentration based standard = 16 mg/kg
  - P037 = concentration based standard = 0.13 mg/kg
  - P048 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
  - P051 = concentration based standard = 0.13 mg/kg
  - P059, P060= concentration based standard = 0.066 mg/kg
  - P063, P098, & P106= concentration based standard = 30 – 590 mg/kg
  - P064, P069, P070, & P093 = specified technology = CMBST
  - P077 = concentration based standard = 28 mg/kg
  - P089 = concentration based standard = 4.6 mg/kg
  - P095, P102, P108, & P116 = specified technology = CMBST
  - P104 = concentration based standard = 30 – 590 mg/kg for cyanides; 0.14 mg/L, TCLP for silver
  - P113 = specified technology = RTHRM; or STABL
  - P119 & P120= specified technology = STABL
  - P123 = concentration based standard = 2.6 mg/kg
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- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Analytical data is used to characterize these waste streams.
- Confidence level is high based on analytical data.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Tritium is present.
- Alpha and beta/gamma emitters are present.
- Waste is contact handled.
- Mixed low-level waste

#### **SR-W050, Mixed Waste to support High-Level Waste (HLW) Processing Demonstrations**

The waste will be generated by laboratory research, development, and analytical programs at 773-A to support the operations of the Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF).

This waste stream will be generated by shielded cell operations during projects for the glass technology group and will come from demonstrations of the DWPF and IWT processes on actual HLW samples.

The liquid waste will most likely contain mercury and chromium. The chromium will most likely be at low levels, below TCLP.

#### *Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Aqueous slurry

*Waste Code*

- D007 (Chromium)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D018 (Benzene)

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l TCLP
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.20 mg/l TCLP; or RMERC
- D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg

D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

*Waste Characterization*

- Sample results and process knowledge

*Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma emitters are present.

**SR-W058, Mixed Sludge Waste with Mercury from DWPF Treatability Studies**

This waste stream consisted of small amounts of high-level waste supernate, sludge, and salt samples from the tank farm and mercury contamination generated during DWPF treatability studies. The waste mercury sludge dried and caked onto eight centrifuge tubes and a glass bottle.

*Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

*Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris - glass

*Waste Code*

- D009A (TCLP Hg) nonwastewater

*LDR Treatment Standard*

- D009A = concentration based standard = 0.20 mg/l TCLP; or RMERC

D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

*Waste Characterization*

- Sample results

*Radiological Characterization*

- Beta/gamma emitters present

### **SR-W063, Macroencapsulated Toxic Characteristic (TC) Waste**

This waste consists of a wide variety of miscellaneous macroencapsulated lead items contaminated with radioactive materials. The majority of the lead is encapsulated in Stainless Steel. The lead items include lead counterweighted jumpers (lead welded in pipe for balancing jumpers), cesium removal columns (CRC) (lead sandwiched between stainless steel for shielding purposes), draw-off valves, flush valves, and discarded equipment (same description as CRC configuration). These wastes generally are used as shields from radioactivity (e.g., around pipes in tank farms), as counterweights, or serve as parts of other devices. The majority of the radioactive contamination is surface contamination. The waste is generated in reactor areas, and fuel and target and separation areas, and laboratories. Future generation rates are dependent upon Site decommissioning activities.

#### *Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Macroencapsulated inorganic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- D004 (Arsenic)
- D005 (Barium)
- D006A (TCLP Cd)
- D007 (Chromium)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D010 (Selenium)
- D011 (Silver)

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l, TCLP
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l, TCLP
- D006A = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l, TCLP
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l, TCLP
- D008A = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP
- D009A = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP
- D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l, TCLP
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l, TCLP

D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha and beta/gamma emitters are present.

### **SR-W072, Supernate or Sludge Contaminated Debris from High-Level Waste (HLW) Operations**

This waste consists of a wide variety of equipment/metal debris and other items contaminated with radioactive materials and characteristically hazardous waste. The waste is derived from contacting High Level Waste. The majority of the contamination is surface contamination. Future generation rates are dependent upon construction operations, maintenance activities, and site decommissioning activities.

#### *Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Inorganic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- D005 (Barium)
- D006A (TCLP Cd)
- D007 (Chromium)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D010 (Selenium)
- D011 (Silver)
- D018 (Benzene)

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l, TCLP
- D006A = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l, TCLP
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l, TCLP
- D008A = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP
- D009A = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP
- D010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l, TCLP
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l, TCLP
- D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg

D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha and beta/gamma emitters are present

### **SR-W077, Aqueous Characteristic Wastewater**

This waste stream consists of certain aqueous sample residues and unused samples, particularly from groundwater monitoring wells, that have been returned from on-site or off-site laboratories. Laboratory waste in this stream also may include characteristically hazardous aqueous laboratory standards from onsite laboratories. Also included is purge water from wells at the Mixed Waste Management Facility. A variety of other wastewaters from various facilities contribute to this stream, e.g., wastewater collected from CIF sumps and found through analysis to be characteristically hazardous.



#### *Volume*

- Volume Data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Aqueous wastewater

#### *Waste Code*

- D002A (Corrosive wastewater)
- D005 (Barium)
- D006A (TCLP Cd)
- D007 (Chromium)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D010 (Selenium)
- D011 (Silver)
- D018 (Benzene)
- D038 (Pyridine)
- D039 (Tetrachloroethylene)
- D040 (Trichloroethylene)

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D002A = DEACT
- D005 = concentration based standard = 1.2 mg/l
- D006A = concentration based standard = 0.69 mg/l
- D007 = concentration based standard = 2.77 mg/l
- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.69 mg/l
- D009A = concentration based standard = 0.15 mg/l
- D010 = concentration based standard = 0.82 mg/l
- D011 = concentration based standard = 0.43 mg/l
- D018 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l
- D038 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l
- D039 = concentration based standard = 0.056 mg/l
- D040 = concentration based standard = 0.054 mg/l

D002A and D005-D011 wastewaters must also meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for underlying hazardous constituents (UHCs) unless they are rendered non-hazardous and subsequently managed in a CWA treatment facility. D038, D039, and D040 wastewaters must also meet UTS for UHCs unless they are rendered non-hazardous and subsequently injected in a Class I SDWA well.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge and sample results

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Alpha and beta/gamma emitters are present

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## Chapter 4. Mixed Transuranic Waste (MTRU)

The current DOE strategy for management of MTRU waste is to maintain the MTRU wastes in safe interim storage; to characterize, certify, process if necessary, and package the wastes to meet the Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC) of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP); and to permanently dispose of applicable MTRU waste in WIPP. The Defense Authorization Bill for federal FY 97, which contained amendments to the 1992 WIPP Land Withdrawal Act, was signed by the President on September 22, 1996, and the Secretary of Energy declared WIPP open and ready to receive waste in May 1998.

The amendments also exempt DOE from the requirement to obtain a RCRA no-migration determination from EPA. EPA agrees that the no-migration determination is redundant to the more stringent radioactive waste disposal standard, and that the exemption will not jeopardize the environment. WIPP has obtained a RCRA Part B Permit from the State of New Mexico to receive mixed TRU waste for disposal.

Site-specific information is included in the following section to outline activities being performed at the Savannah River Site to maintain safe compliant storage, waste characterization activities, and other activities planned to support the ultimate goal of shipment to and disposal at WIPP.

This chapter reviews the project activity schedules that have been planned for the treatment of MTRU waste in accordance with Section 2.2 of this volume. Section 4.1 discusses the site's MTRU waste management approach and section 4.2 details the MTRU waste streams that are proposed to be shipped to WIPP for treatment. Refer to Table 1.1, Chapter 1, of Volume II of the STP for the user's guide. The user's guide identifies each mixed waste stream, the preferred treatment option (PO), and the location where the waste stream is discussed in Volumes I and II of the STP.

### 4.1 Site MTRU Waste Management Approach

TRU waste is defined in DOE Order 435.1 as waste contaminated with alpha-emitting transuranic radionuclides (radionuclides with atomic numbers greater than 92) with half-lives greater than twenty (20) years and radionuclide concentrations greater than 100 nanocuries per gram (nCi/g). TRU waste at SRS that includes hazardous constituents as identified in 40 CFR 261 and SCHWMR R61-79.261 is managed in accordance with DOE orders and SCHWMR, and is referred to as mixed TRU waste (MTRU).

MTRU waste streams are, and have been, generated primarily by Plutonium Separations Facilities and the Analytical Laboratories. Other past generators of significantly smaller volumes include Naval Fuels Facility, the Reactor Facility, the Fuel Fabrication Facility, the High-Level Waste Tank Farms, and the Solid Waste Management Facility. In the 1970's, SRS received a large volume of MTRU waste from offsite generators including the Los Alamos National Laboratory, Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory, and the DOE Mound Site. MTRU waste shipments are being received from the DOE Mound Site in the future (see Vol. II, Sec. 4.2.2).

MTRU waste generated at SRS is primarily job control waste, which includes combinations of the following: plastic, paper, rubber, glassware, metal items, lead-lined gloves, filters, used equipment, and other contaminated materials from routine operations.

Due to the variety of container types, MTRU waste is generally described by its container: drums, polyethylene boxes, concrete casks, large steel black boxes, and other odd-sized containers. The type of container also dictates the storage configuration, for example, drums are either stored in culverts, which are stored on uncovered pads exposed to the weather or stored directly on covered pads.

Currently, four MTRU waste streams and two mixed low-level waste (MLLW) streams are managed as MTRU waste. The actual amount of waste will depend on assay and treatment technologies available during processing and the final WIPP WAC review.

The waste streams identified as Mixed TRU waste are:

Waste Stream No.	Description	Current Inventory Volume (Cubic Meters)
SR-W006	CH Mixed TRU/Liquids	<0.1
SR-W025	Solvent/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g	3560
SR-W026	CH Mixed TRU/Thirds	154.4
SR-W027	CH Mixed TRU/F-Listed Solvents	3355
SR-W033	Thirds/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g	9.0
SR-W053	Rocky Flats Ash*	<0.1

\*Also known as CH Mixed TRU/Residues.

Waste streams SR-W025 and SR-W033 are categorized as  $\leq 100$  nCi/g but are managed as TRU waste. These two streams potentially fit into one or more waste classifications. These waste streams will be further characterized and the portion that is MTRU ( $>100$  nCi/g) will be sent to WIPP. The remaining mixed low-level component may be used to blend high activity MTRU wastes down to meet the transportation and packaging limits for transportation to WIPP for disposal. Estimates indicate that the largest fraction of these two waste streams will fall into the mixed low-level waste category.

## SRS Solid Waste Management Strategy

The SRS solid waste management strategy supports and is in alignment with the National MTRU Program Initiatives. The MTRU waste program has historically focused on acceptance and maintenance of safe storage. However, in preparation for the shipping to WIPP, MTRU waste operations at SRS is characterizing containers for recertification and packaging for shipping to WIPP for final disposal. WIPP opened for acceptance of the DOE-Complex MTRU waste December 1999, and SRS is scheduled to begin shipments of its non-mixed TRU waste FY01.

## Plan Assumptions

The MTRU waste plan is based on the following key assumptions:

- Funding is available to support the plan.
- Negotiations with WIPP, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), and other environmental agencies to revise the restrictive transportation limits of the TRUPACT II are successful.
- WIPP does not close prior to 2035.
- A high-activity MTRU Waste Facility will be constructed and be operational from 2015 until 2035 to process higher activity MTRU Waste in preparation for shipment to WIPP.
- Assay techniques for  $\text{Pu}^{238}$  contaminated wastes and larger containers will be pursued and implemented at SRS using onsite and offsite technology to meet the requirement of the WIPP WAC and WIPP Quality Assurance Program.
- A low-activity MTRU waste facility, utilizing the Handling and Segregating System for 55-Gallon Drums (HANDSS-55) Technology and a compactor will be constructed and be operational from 2004-2015 to process the lower activity MTRU waste for shipment to WIPP.

## Plan Activities

The SRS solid waste management strategy addresses the following activities and provides a path forward for resolution:

- Interim storage
- TRU Waste Certification

- TRU Waste Processing
- Outyear Schedule

### Interim Storage

Delays in the certification of SRS by WIPP make it necessary to provide interim storage capability so SRS can continue safe storage and monitoring of MTRU waste. Recent activities completed in the MTRU waste area include the retrieval of containers stored in the 1970's and early 1980's on storage pads covered with dirt for protection from the environment. Drums stored on these pads have been retrieved and vents installed to allow the release of potential hydrogen gas build-up. Retrieved containers have been evaluated for integrity; some have been overpacked to ensure worker safety until the container can be repackaged for disposal in WIPP. Retrieval operations began January 1997 and were completed 3Q99.

### MTRU Waste Certification/Characterization

Activities in the MTRU waste area involve extensive preparation for the certification of containers to meet the WIPP waste acceptance criteria. The WIPP certification program requires characterization of the waste matrix through radionuclide assay, radiography, and headspace gas sampling for all waste containers. In addition, a representative number of containers must be opened for visual examination to confirm the characterization information. SRS has designated a portion of TRU pad 6 for the visual examination (VE) facility.

SRS will begin utilizing a Mobile Vendor to augment current inspection/characterization capability and to increase the TRU Waste shipped from SRS to WIPP. The Mobile Vendor mobilized to SRS 2QFY01 and began characterization operations in 3QFY01. The Mobile Vendor is expected to process and ship waste from SRS to WIPP through FY02. The Mobile Vendor will provide this additional characterization and shipping capability through the use of four mobile systems. The first is a real time radiography trailer that will be used to x-ray TRU drums to determine drum contents and waste attributes. Following x-ray the drums will be processed through the non-destructive assay trailer. This system uses an integrated gamma and imaging passive/active neutron/gamma energy analysis (IPAN/GEA) mobile waste assay trailer. The IPAN/GEA will provide information to determine the isotopic composition of each TRU waste drum. After assay the drums will be placed into heated sealand storage containers for 72 hours prior to head space gas sampling. The third mobile system is the drum headspace gas sampling system. This system utilizes a gas chromatograph (GC) and mass spectrometer (MS) to analyze the constituents of the TRU drum headspace gases. The drums will then be moved to the final system which is the mobile loading unit. This system contains the adjustable center gravity lift fixture, shrink wrap machine and equipment necessary to configure and load TRU drums into TRUPACT-II containers for transport to WIPP for disposal. These systems will be set-up on existing TRU waste storage Pads #4 and #3. This process will be supported by existing SRS infrastructure to include the Visual Examination Facility on TRU Pad #6.

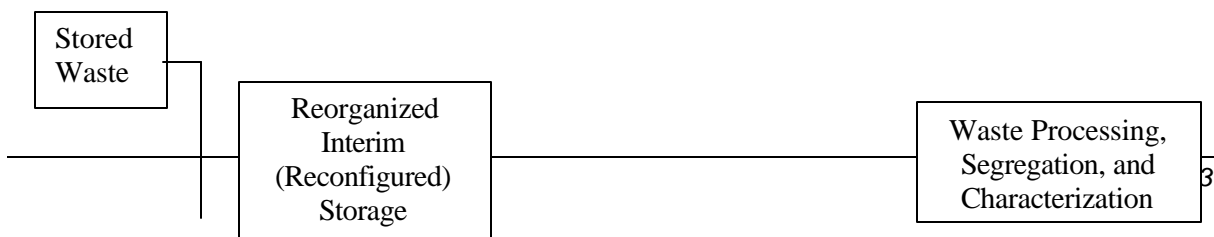
### MTRU Waste Processing

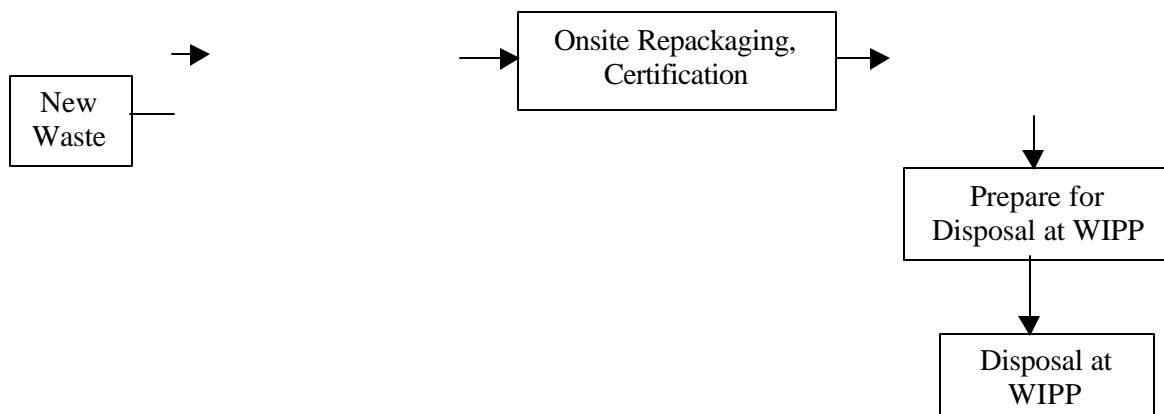
Two waste treatment processes are planned. The first is a hazard category III facility that will sort and segregate TRU waste using the HANDSS-55 Technology, under development by EM-50. It will repackage waste, sample waste, and size-reduce some waste to meet transportation limits for shipment to WIPP for disposal.

The second waste treatment process is a hazard category II line item facility that will treat solids, liquids, sludges, and soil wastes contaminated with alpha-emitting transuranic radionuclides for disposal. This includes, at a minimum, repackaging, sorting, size reduction, and disposal at WIPP using the current NRC-licensed type B TRUPACTII shipping container. This process uses equipment that has been demonstrated on similar activities or the technology development is in progress to support the facility's equipment needs.

### TRU Plan Flow Chart

A flow chart has been developed that outlines waste activities identified in the SRS solid waste management strategy. The following flow chart depicts the key activities for the planned MTRU waste activities:





In addition:

- SRS will construct and operate MTRU waste processing facilities to characterize and certify MTRU waste to meet the WIPP WAC, including transportation requirements.
- Studies will be done to identify treatment options for stabilizing the MTRU isotopes that may be required for waste shipments to WIPP.

## 4.2 MTRU Waste Streams Proposed for Shipment to WIPP

MTRU waste is divided into waste groupings based primarily on the containers that hold the waste. The amount of detailed information on the contents of each waste container is limited. The container type, generator, and radionuclide data provide information that allows the inventory of MTRU waste to be placed into waste groupings that support planning for future processing to meet the requirement of the WIPP WAC. This section discusses the waste streams that are proposed to be shipped to WIPP for disposal. Refer to Table 1.3, Chapter 1, Volume II for EPA Hazardous Waste Code Subcategories.

### 4.2.1 MTRU Waste Requiring Characterization/Certification for WIPP

This section describes MTRU waste streams, which require characterization and certification prior to acceptance for disposal at WIPP. The section is divided into two subsections for waste stream categories as follows:

#### 4.2.1.1 Defense-Related TRU Job Control Waste Group

#### 4.2.1.2 TRU Job Control Waste Group

##### 4.2.1.1 Defense-Related TRU Job Control Waste Group

*The preferred option for this waste group is to assay, sort, size-reduce, and characterize the waste material in the Low Activity TRU Facility (CAT 3) or the High Activity TRU Facility (CAT 2), followed by preparation for shipment and disposal at WIPP.*

Waste streams within this waste group include the following:

SR-W026, CH Mixed TRU /Thirds

SR-W027, CH Mixed TRU /F-Listed Solvents

#### General Information

##### SR-W026, CH Mixed TRU /Thirds

This waste stream is a defense-related job control waste and is composed primarily of organic solids such as booties, lab coats, floor sweepings, rags, labware, and other job control waste generated primarily through

separation activities. A small percentage (<5%) of this waste stream includes sludges, resins, filters, and miscellaneous waste. The sludges are caustic evaporated residues that have been neutralized and absorbed.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- |                               |                                       |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| • D001C (Low TOC Ignitable)   | • P048 (2, 4-Dinitrophenol)           |
| • D003D (Water Reactive)      | • P113 (Thallic oxide)                |
| • D004 (TCLP As)              | • P120 (Vanadium pentoxide)           |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)             | • U002 (Acetone)                      |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)              | • U032 (Calcium chromate)             |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)             | • U052 (Creosols-mixed)               |
| • D009A (TCLP Hg)             | • U080 (Methylene chloride)           |
| • D011 (TCLP Ag)              | • U133 (Hydrazine)                    |
| • D018 (Benzene)              | • U134 (Hydrogen fluoride)            |
| • D019 (Carbon tetrachloride) | • U144 (Lead acetate)                 |
| • D022 (Chloroform)           | • U151C (Low Mercury)                 |
| • D023 (o-Cresol)             | • U154 (Methanol)                     |
| • D024 (m-Cresol)             | • U161 (Methyl isobutyl ketone)       |
| • D025 (p-Cresol)             | • U209 (1, 1, 2, 2-Tetrachloroethane) |
| • D026 (Cresols)              | • U211 (Carbon tetrachloride)         |
| • P012 (Arsenic trioxide)     | • U220 (Toluene)                      |
| • P015 (Beryllium powder)     | • U226 (1, 1, 1-Trichloroethane)      |
| • Nonwastewater               | • U239 (Xylenes)                      |

- Manage at the WIPP.

The preferred option is to process the waste in the processing facilities utilizing HANDSS-55 to sort and segregate and other waste handling technologies to characterize, repackage, and certify the waste to meet type B TRUPACT II shipping requirements for disposal at WIPP.

Processing will include removing non-compliant items found from the waste. This option is preferred because it has the lowest cost and has the lowest risk for delays due to permitting, technical barriers, and system implementability. It uses equipment that has been demonstrated on similar activities or the technology development is in progress to support the facilities equipment needs.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis will be used to characterize the waste stream (NDE, NDA, and headspace sampling).
- Confidence level is medium based on the varying composition of the job waste and the exact contents of specific containers.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is >100 nCi/g.
- Beta/gamma emitters ( $H^3$ ,  $Co^{60}$ , and  $Cs^{137}$ ) are present.
- Alpha emitters ( $Pu^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{239}$ ,  $Pu^{240}$ ,  $Pu^{241}$ ,  $Am^{241}$ , and  $Cm^{244}$ ) are present.
- Waste is primarily contact handled with a small volume of remote handled (<200 mR/hr).

### SR-W027, CH Mixed TRU /F-Listed Solvents

This waste stream is a defense-related job control waste composed primarily of solids such as booties, lab coats, floor sweepings, rags, labware, and other job control waste generated primarily from separation activities for plutonium production. This waste differs from SR-W026 because solvent rags are suspected to be present. A conservative interpretation of the mixture rule causes contents of containers to be characterized with listed solvent waste codes due to the presence of solvent rags.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris

#### *Waste Codes*

- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| • D001C (Low TOC Ignitable)                    | • P012 (Arsenic trioxide)             |
| • D003D (Water Reactive)                       | • P015 (Beryllium dust)               |
| • D004 (TCLP As)                               | • P048 (2, 4-Dinitrophenol)           |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)                              | • P113 (Thallic oxide)                |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)                               | • P120 (Vanadium pentoxide)           |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)                              | • U002 (Acetone)                      |
| • D009A (TCLP Hg)                              | • U032 (Calcium chromate)             |
| • D011 (TCLP Ag)                               | • U052 (Cresols-mixed)                |
| • D018 (Benzene)                               | • U080 (Methylene chloride)           |
| • D019 (Carbon tetrachloride)                  | • U133 (Hydrazine)                    |
| • D022 (Chloroform)                            | • U134 (Hydrogen fluoride)            |
| • D023 (o-Cresol)                              | • U144 (Lead acetate)                 |
| • D024 (m-Cresol)                              | • U151C (Low Mercury)                 |
| • D025 (p-Cresol)                              | • U154 (Methanol)                     |
| • D026 (Cresol)                                | • U161 (Methyl isobutyl ketone)       |
| • F001 (Spent halogenated degreasing solvents) | • U209 (1, 1, 2, 2-Tetrachloroethane) |
| • F002 (Spent halogenated solvents)            | • U211 (Carbon tetrachloride)         |
| • F003 (Spent nonhalogenated solvents)         | • U220 (Toluene)                      |
| • F005A (Spent nonhalogenated solvents)        | • U226 (1, 1, 1-Trichloroethane)      |
| • Nonwastewater                                | • U239 (Xylenes)                      |

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- Manage at the WIPP.

The preferred option is to process this waste in the processing facilities utilizing HANDSS-55 and HATF to sort and segregate and other waste handling technologies to characterize, repackage and certify waste to meet the type B TRUPACT II shipping requirements for disposal at WIPP.

Processing will include removing non-compliant items found from the waste. This option is preferred because it has the lowest cost and has the lowest risk for delays due to permitting, technical barriers, and system implementability. It uses equipment that has been demonstrated on similar activities or the technology development is in progress to support the facilities equipment needs.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis are used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is medium based on the varying composition of the job waste and the exact contents of specific waste containers.



### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is >100 nCi/g.
- Beta/gamma emitters ( $H^3$ ,  $Co^{60}$ , and  $Cs^{137}$ ) are present.
- Alpha emitters ( $Pu^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{239}$ ,  $Pu^{240}$ ,  $Pu^{241}$ ,  $Am^{241}$ , and  $Cm^{244}$ ) are present.
- Waste is primarily contact handled with a small volume of remote handled (<200 mR/hr).

### **4.2.1.2 TRU Job Control Waste Group**

*The preferred option for this waste group is to characterize, sort, and certify the waste material in the Low Activity TRU Facility (CAT 3) or the High Activity TRU Facility (CAT 2), followed by preparation for shipment and disposal at WIPP.*

Waste streams within this waste group include the following:

SR-W025, Solvent/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g  
SR-W033, Thirds/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g

### **General Information**

#### **SR-W025, Solvent/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g**

This waste stream is composed primarily of solids such as booties, lab coats, floor sweepings, rags, labware, and other job control waste generated primarily through separation activities for plutonium production. The waste stream includes small amounts of TRU waste from onsite laboratories.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris
- Inorganic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| • D001C (Low TOC Ignitable)                    | • Nonwastewater                       |
| • D003D (Water Reactive)                       | • P012 (Arsenic trioxide)             |
| • D004 (TCLP As)                               | • P048 (2, 4-Dinitrophenol)           |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)                              | • P113 (Thallic oxide)                |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)                               | • P120 (Vanadium pentoxide)           |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)                              | • U002 (Acetone)                      |
| • D009A (TCLP Hg)                              | • U032 (Calcium chromate)             |
| • D011 (TCLP Ag)                               | • U052 (Creosols-mixed)               |
| • D018 (Benzene)                               | • U080 (Methylene chloride)           |
| • D019 (Carbon tetrachloride)                  | • U133 (Hydrazine)                    |
| • D022 (Chloroform)                            | • U134 (Hydrogen fluoride)            |
| • D023 (o-Cresol)                              | • U144 (Lead acetate)                 |
| • D024 (m-Cresol)                              | • U151C (Low Mercury)                 |
| • D025 (p-Cresol)                              | • U154 (Methanol)                     |
| • D026 (Cresols-mixed)                         | • U161 (Methyl isobutyl ketone)       |
| • F001 (Spent halogenated degreasing solvents) | • U209 (1, 1, 2, 2-Tetrachloroethane) |
| • F002 (Spent halogenated solvents)            | • U211 (Carbon tetrachloride)         |

- F003 (Spent non-halogenated solvents)
- F005A (Spent non-halogenated solvents)
- U239 (Xylenes)
- U220 (Toluene)
- U226 (1, 1, 1-Trichloroethane)

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D001 = specified technology = DEACT and meet UTS; or RORGS or CMBST
  - D003 = specified technology = DEACT and meet UTS
  - D004 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l TCLP
  - D006 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l TCLP
  - D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l TCLP
  - D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP
  - D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
  - D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP
  - D018 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - D019 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - D022 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - D023 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
  - D024 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
  - D025 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
  - D026 = concentration based standard = 11.2 mg/kg
  - F001 and F002 = concentration based standard = 6 – 30 mg/kg
  - F003 = concentration based standard = 0.75 – 160 mg/kg
  - F005 = concentration based standard = 4.8 mg/l TCLP – 170 mg/kg, except 2-Ethoxyethanol, 2-Niropropane = CMBST
  - P012 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l TCLP
  - P048 and U002 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
  - P113 = specified technology = RYHRM or STABL
  - P120 = specified technology = STABL
  - U032 = concentration based standard = 0.86 mg/l TCLP
  - U052 = concentration based standard = 5.6 – 11.2 mg/kg
  - U080 and U239 = concentration based standard = 30 mg/kg
  - U133 = specified technology = CHOXD, CHRED, or CMBST
  - U134 = specified technology = ADGAS fb NEUTR; or NEUTR
  - U144 = concentration based standard = 0.37 mg/l TCLP
  - U151 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
  - U154 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l TCLP; or CMBST
  - U161 = concentration based standard = 33 mg/kg
  - U209, U211, and U226 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - U220 = concentration based standard = 10 mg/kg
  - Alternate debris technology
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- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

The preferred option is supercompaction onsite and repackaging with other high activity TRU waste prior to shipment to WIPP for disposal. This option has the lowest cost and the highest In-Depth Option Analysis (IDOA) score. The supercompaction achieves a 4-to-1 volume reduction that reduces the total number of shipments to WIPP.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge was used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is medium based on the varying composition of the job control waste and the exact contents of specified waste containers.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is 10 – 100 nCi/g.
- Beta/gamma emitters ( $H^3$ ,  $Co^{60}$ , and  $Cs^{137}$ ) are present.
- Alpha emitters ( $Pu^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{239}$ ,  $Pu^{240}$ ,  $Pu^{241}$ ,  $Pu^{242}$ ,  $Am^{241}$ , and  $U^{233}$ ) are present.
- Waste is primarily contact handled (<200 mR/hr).
- Mixed low-level waste (MLLW)

#### **SR-W033, Thirds/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g**

This waste stream is composed primarily of solids such as booties, lab coats, floor sweepings, rags, labware, and other job control waste generated primarily through separation activities for plutonium production. The waste stream includes small amounts of TRU waste from onsite laboratories. Waste from SR-W025 differs from SR-W033 because solvent rags are suspected to be in the waste. A conservative interpretation of the mixture rule causes all contents of SR-W033 containers to be characterized with listed solvent waste codes due to the presence of the solvent rags.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris
- Inorganic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| • D001C (Low TOC Ignitable)                    | • P012 (Arsenic trioxide)             |
| • D003D (Water Reactive)                       | • P048 (2, 4-Dinitrophenol)           |
| • D004 (TCLP As)                               | • P113 (Thallic oxide)                |
| • D006A (TCLP Cd)                              | • P120 (Vanadium pentoxide)           |
| • D007 (TCLP Cr)                               | • U002 (Acetone)                      |
| • D008A (TCLP Pb)                              | • U032 (Calcium chromate)             |
| • D009A (TCLP Hg)                              | • U052 (Creosols-mixed)               |
| • D011 (TCLP Ag)                               | • U080 (Methylene chloride)           |
| • D019 (Carbon tetrachloride)                  | • U133 (Hydrazine)                    |
| • D022 (Chloroform)                            | • U134 (Hydrogen fluoride)            |
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| • D024 (m-Cresol)                              | • U151C (Low Mercury)                 |
| • D025 (p-Cresol)                              | • U154 (Methanol)                     |
| • D026 (Cresols)                               | • U161 (Methyl isobutyl ketone)       |
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| • F002 (Spent halogenated solvents)            | • U211 (Carbon tetrachloride)         |
| • F003 (Spent non-halogenated solvents)        | • U220 (Toluene)                      |
| • F005A (Spent non-halogenated solvents)       | • U226 (1, 1, 1-Trichloroethane)      |
| • Nonwastewater                                | • U239 (Xylenes)                      |

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  - D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l TCLP
  - D011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l TCLP
  - D019 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - D022 = concentration based standard = 6.0 mg/kg
  - D023 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
  - D024 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
  - D025 = concentration based standard = 5.6 mg/kg
  - D026 = concentration based standard = 11.2 mg/kg
  - F001 and F002 = concentration based standard = 6 – 30 mg/kg
  - F003 = concentration based standard = 0.75 – 160 mg/kg
  - F005 = concentration based standard = 4.8 mg/l TCLP – 170 mg/kg, except 2-Ethoxyethanol, 2-Niropropane = CMBST
  - P012 = concentration based standard = 5.0 mg/l TCLP
  - P048 and U002 = concentration based standard = 160 mg/kg
  - P113 = specified technology = RYHRM or STABL
  - P120 = specified technology = STABL
  - U032 = concentration based standard = 0.86 mg/l TCLP
  - U052 = concentration based standard = 5.6 – 11.2 mg/kg
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  - Alternate debris technology
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

The preferred option is supercompaction onsite and repackaging with other high activity TRU waste prior to shipment to WIPP for disposal. This option has the lowest cost and the highest In-Depth Option Analysis (IDOA) score. The supercompaction achieves a 4-to-1 volume reduction that reduces the total number of shipments to WIPP.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge was used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is medium based on the varying composition of the job control waste and the exact contents of specified waste containers.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is 10 – 100 nCi/g.
- Beta/gamma emitters ( $H^3$ ,  $Co^{60}$ , and  $Cs^{137}$ ) are present.
- Alpha emitters ( $Pu^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{239}$ ,  $Pu^{240}$ ,  $Pu^{241}$ ,  $Am^{241}$ , and  $Cm^{244}$ ) are present.
- Waste is primarily contact handled (<200 mR/h).
- Mixed low-level waste (MLLW).

### **4.2.2 Other MTRU Waste Streams for Shipment to WIPP**

*The preferred option for this waste group is to characterize the waste material in the Low Activity TRU Facility (CAT 3) or the High Activity TRU Facility (CAT 2), followed by preparation for shipment and disposal.*

Waste streams within this waste group include the following:

SR-W006, CH Mixed TRU/Liquids  
SR-W053, Rocky Flats Ash  
SR-W089, CH Mixed TRU from Mound for Shipment to WIPP

### **General Information**

#### **SR-W006, CH Mixed TRU/Liquids**

This waste stream is defense-related MTRU waste, consisting of a liquid waste generated from plutonium extraction analytical procedures at the Savannah River Technology Center (SRTC). It consists of a homogeneous, xylene based, liquid chelating agent. This is a small volume waste stream and is currently stored in compliance with RCRA in a satellite accumulation area at SRTC.

##### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

##### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic liquid

##### *Waste Code*

- D001A (Ignitable-High TOC)
- Nonwastewater

##### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D001 = specified technology = RORGS; CMBST; or POLYM

##### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis are used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high based upon knowledge of the chemicals used in the analytical procedures.

##### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is >100 nCi/g.
- Alpha emitters (Pu<sup>238</sup>, Pu<sup>239</sup>, Pu<sup>240</sup>, Pu<sup>241</sup>, Pu<sup>242</sup>, and Am<sup>241</sup>) are present.
- Waste is contact handled (<200 mR/hr).

#### **SR-W053, Rocky Flats Ash**

This waste consists of a small volume of ash sent from Rocky Flats to SRS for research into plutonium recovery. Courts in the State of Colorado declared Rocky Flats' ash hazardous based on chemical analysis of F-listed solvent waste processed in the Rocky Flats incinerator. Upon learning of the Colorado court action, SRS placed the ash in a RCRA satellite accumulation area. SRS recently completed a treatability study with this material at SRTC.

##### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

##### *Waste Stream Matrix*

- Inorganic sludge/particulate

#### *Waste Codes*

- D004 (TCLP As)
- D005 (TCLP Ba)
- D006A (TCLP Cd)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- F001 (Spent halogenated degreasing solvents)
- F002 (Spent halogenated solvents)
- F005A (Spent nonhalogenated solvents)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D010 (TCLP Se)
- D011 (TCLP Ag)

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- D004 = concentration based standard = 5 mg/l, TCLP.
- D005 = concentration based standard = 21 mg/l, TCLP.
- D006 = concentration based standard = 0.11 mg/l, TCLP.
- D007 = concentration based standard = 0.60 mg/l, TCLP.
- D008 = concentration based standard = 0.75 mg/l, TCLP.
- D009 = concentration based standard = 0.025 mg/l, TCLP.
- D0010 = concentration based standard = 5.7 mg/l, TCLP.
- D0011 = concentration based standard = 0.14 mg/l, TCLP.
- F001, F002 = concentration based standard = 6-30 mg/kg.
- D005 = concentration based standard = 4.8 mg/l, TCLP-170 mg/kg, except 2-Ethoxyethanol, 2-Nitropropane = CMBST.
- D001 through D043 nonwastewaters to be land disposed must be treated to meet Universal Treatment Standards (UTS) for any underlying hazardous constituents (UHC) that may be present.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Process knowledge is used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is low. No analytical data is available, and the material is from another DOE site.
- This ash was declared mixed waste after SRS had the material in a vault and was handling the waste as a Special Nuclear Material (SNM).

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Transuranic—alpha emitters ( $\text{Am}^{241}$ ,  $\text{Pu}^{238}$ ,  $\text{Pu}^{239}$ ,  $\text{Pu}^{240}$ ,  $\text{Pu}^{241}$ , and  $\text{Pu}^{242}$ ) are present.
- Waste is contact handled (<200 mR/hr).

#### **SR-W089A, CH Mixed TRU from Mound for Shipment to WIPP**

This waste stream is a defense-related job control and D&D waste and is composed of organic solids such as booties, lab coats, floor sweepings, rags, labware, soils, and other job control waste along with gloveboxes, fume hoods, and general D&D debris. A small percentage (<5%) of this waste stream includes sludges, resins, filters, and miscellaneous waste. The sludges will be neutralized and solidified.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- D001C (Low TOC Ignitable)

- D004 (TCLP As)
  - D006A (TCLP Cd)
  - D007 (TCLP Cr)
  - D008A (TCLP Pb)
  - D009A (TCLP Hg)
  - D011 (TCLP Ag)
  - Nonwastewater
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- Manage at the WIPP.

The preferred option is to process the waste in the processing facilities utilizing High Activity TRU Facility (HATF) to sort and segregate and use other waste handling technologies to size-reduce, characterize, repackage, and certify the waste to meet type B TRUPACT II shipping requirements for disposal at WIPP.

Processing will include removing non-compliant items found from the waste. Treatment will remove, reduce, or destroy to meet LDR requirements to comply with the WIPP RCRA Part B permit. This option is preferred because it has the lowest cost and has the lowest risk for delays due to permitting, technical barriers, and system implementability. It uses equipment that has been demonstrated on similar activities or the technology development is in progress to support the facilities equipment needs.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis will be used to characterize the waste stream (NDE, NDA, and headspace sampling).
- Confidence level for the legacy waste is medium based on historical knowledge and the implementation of the Real Time Radiography.
- Confidence level for the D&D waste is high based on the implementation of the Mound TRU Certification process and oversight by SRS personnel.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is >100 nCi/g.
- Beta/gamma emitters ( $H^3$ ,  $Co^{60}$ , and  $Cs^{137}$ ) are present.
- Alpha emitters ( $Pu^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{239}$ ,  $Pu^{240}$ ,  $Pu^{241}$ ,  $Am^{241}$ , and  $Cm^{244}$ ) are present.
- Waste is exclusively contact handled (<200 mR/hr).

#### **SR-W089B, CH Mixed with PCB's TRU from Mound for Shipment to WIPP**

This waste stream is a defense-related job control and D&D waste and is composed of organic solids such as booties, lab coats, floor sweepings, rags, labware, soils, and other job control waste along with gloveboxes, fume hoods, and general D&D debris. A small percentage (<5%) of this waste stream includes liquids. The liquids will be solidified.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11. This waste stream consists of one box container (appx. 90 cu. ft of waste contaminated with PCB's at a level of 17,000 ppm) and 3 liters of liquid.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Organic debris

#### *Waste Code*

- D001C (Low TOC Ignitable)
- D004 (TCLP As)
- D006A (TCLP Cd)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)

- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D011 (TCLP Ag)
- Nonwastewater
- Manage at the WIPP.

The preferred option is to process the waste in the processing facilities utilizing HATF to sort and segregate and other waste handling technologies to size-reduce, characterize, repackage, and certify the waste to meet type B TRUPACT II shipping requirements for disposal at WIPP.

Processing will include removing non-compliant items found from the waste. Treatment will remove, reduce, or destroy to meet LDR requirements to comply with the WIPP RCRA Part B permit. This option is preferred because it has the lowest cost and has the lowest risk for delays due to permitting, technical barriers, and system implementability. It uses equipment that has been demonstrated on similar activities or the technology development is in progress to support the facilities equipment needs.

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis will be used to characterize the waste stream (NDE, NDA, and headspace sampling).
- Confidence level for the legacy waste is medium based on historical knowledge and the implementation of the Real Time Radiography.
- Confidence level for the D&D waste is high based on the implementation of the Mound TRU Certification process and oversight by SRS personnel.

#### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity is >100 nCi/g.
- Beta/gamma emitters ( $H^3$ ,  $Co^{60}$ , and  $Cs^{137}$ ) are present.
- Alpha emitters ( $Pu^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{239}$ ,  $Pu^{240}$ ,  $Pu^{241}$ ,  $Am^{241}$ , and  $Cm^{244}$ ) are present.
- Waste is exclusively contact handled (<200 mR/hr).



## Chapter 5. Mixed High-Level Waste (HLW)

The following waste streams are in the mixed high-level waste category. This chapter discusses the high-level waste streams and the available treatment. Refer to Table 1.1, Chapter 1, Volume II of the STP for the user's guide. The user's guide identifies each mixed waste stream, the preferred treatment option (PO), and the location where the waste stream is discussed in Volumes I and II of the STP. Also refer to Table 1.3, Chapter 1, Volume II for EPA Hazardous Waste Code Subcategories.

### Mixed High-Level Waste Group for Vitrification

*The preferred treatment option for this waste group is removal of the low-level component of the waste stream by evaporation with treatment at the F- and H-Areas Effluent Treatment Facility, or at the future Salt Processing Facility, or a facility that serves a similar function, with Stabilization at the Z-Area Saltstone Facility, followed by High-Level Waste Vitrification in the Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF).*

Waste streams in this waste group includes the following:

SR-W016, 221-F Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste  
SR-W017, 221-H Canyon High Level Liquid Waste

### General Information

#### SR-W016, 221-F Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste

This waste is an aqueous liquid containing fission products generated from the 221-F Canyon facility in support of the PUREX Process. F-Canyon waste materials are generated from the extraction of plutonium from reactor targets assemblies and dissolution of spent fuel rods.

#### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

#### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Aqueous liquid

#### *Waste Code*

- D002 (corrosive waste managed as wastewater)
- D005 (TCLP Ba)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D011 (TCLP Ag)
- Nonwastewater slurry

#### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- All waste codes = specified technology = HL/VIT

#### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis are used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high based on availability of analysis, with the exceptions of TCLP.

### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity for radiological characterization is ~10.5 Ci/gal.
- Alpha emitters ( $U^{235}$ ,  $U^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{239}$ ,  $Pu^{240}$ ,  $Pu^{241}$ ,  $Am^{241}$ ,  $Cm^{241}$ , and others) are present.
- Beta/gamma emitters ( $Sr^{90}$ ,  $Ru^{106}$ ,  $Zr^{95}$ ,  $Nb^{95}$ ,  $Rh^{106}$ ,  $Cs^{137}$ ,  $Ce^{144}$ ,  $Pr^{144}$ ,  $Pm^{147}$ ,  $H^3$ , and others) are present.
- Waste is remote handled.
- High-level waste

### **SR-W017, 221-H Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste**

This waste stream is an aqueous liquid containing mixed fission products from the H-Canyon facility in support of the modified PUREX process. The stream also contains decontamination solution from maintenance activities in the H-Area High-Level Waste Tank Farm. H-Canyon waste materials are generated from the recovery of enriched uranium from fuel tubes.

### *Volume*

- Volume data for this waste stream can be found in Chapter 11.

### *Waste Stream Composition*

- Aqueous liquid

### *Waste Code*

- D002A (corrosive waste managed as wastewater)
- D005 (TCLP Ba)
- D007 (TCLP Cr)
- D008A (TCLP Pb)
- D009A (TCLP Hg)
- D011 (TCLP Ag)
- Nonwastewater slurry

### *LDR Treatment Standard*

- All waste codes = specified technology = HL VIT

### *Waste Characterization*

- Sampling and analysis are used to characterize the waste stream.
- Confidence level is high based on availability of analysis, with the exceptions of TCLP.

### *Radiological Characterization*

- Total activity for radiological characterization is ~12 Ci/gal.
- Alpha emitters ( $U^{235}$ ,  $U^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{238}$ ,  $Pu^{239}$ ,  $Pu^{240}$ ,  $Pu^{241}$ ,  $Am^{241}$ , and  $Cm^{241}$ ) are present.
- Beta/gamma emitters ( $Sr^{90}$ ,  $Ru^{106}$ ,  $Zr^{95}$ ,  $Nb^{95}$ ,  $Rh^{106}$ ,  $Cs^{137}$ ,  $Ce^{144}$ ,  $Pr^{144}$ ,  $Pm^{147}$ , and  $H^3$ ) are present.
- Waste is remote handled.
- High-level waste

The following information applies to all the waste streams in this waste group.

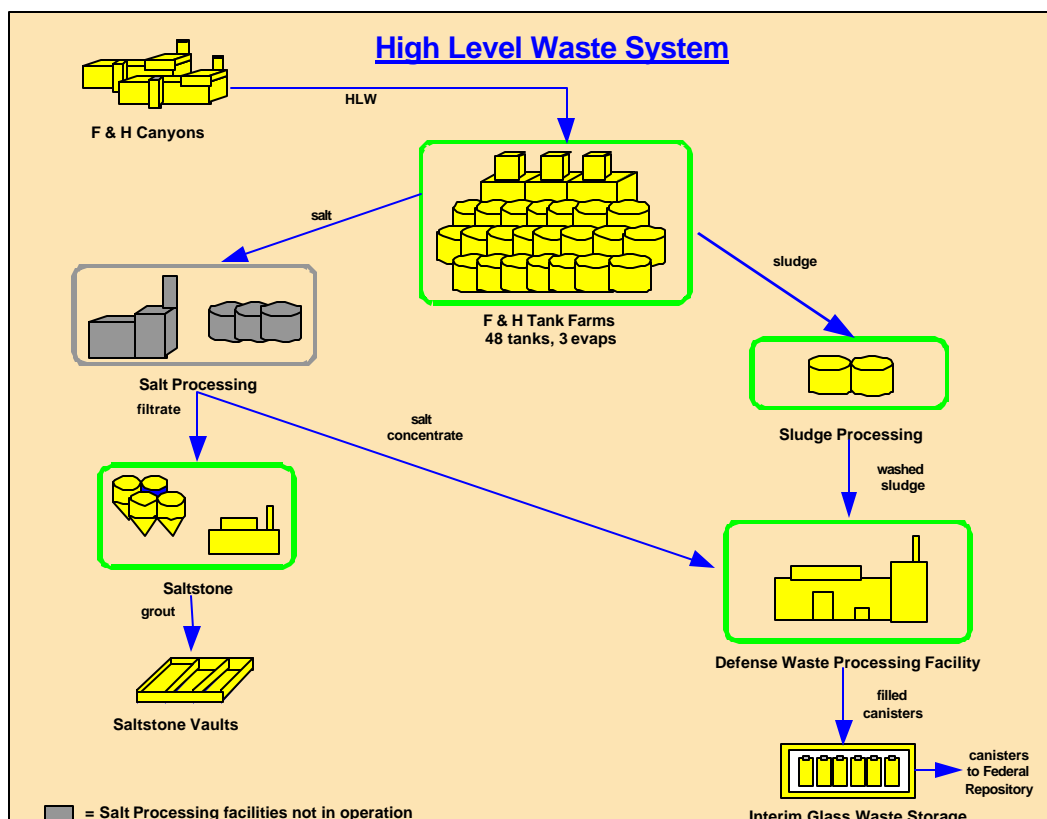
### **Technology and Capacity Needs**

Vitrification is the specified technology for all of the waste codes in SRS high-level wastes. These wastes are generated from the extraction of plutonium and the recovery of enriched uranium. DWPF is designed with capacity to treat the identified, existing, and future high-level liquid waste streams at SRS.

The high-level waste tanks in F Area and H Area currently store a total volume of approximately 146,167 m<sup>3</sup> (as of October 1, 2001) of salt solution, saltcake or precipitate, and sludge generated mostly from the dissolution of target assemblies irradiated in the SRS reactors. It is expected that an additional volume of high-level liquid waste from both F Canyon and H Canyon will be generated at SRS in the next five years. The treatment schedule prioritizes the removal of waste from tanks that are at most risk. These are the single-walled tanks, and tanks that have only a partial secondary containment structure.

### Treatment Option Information

A general schematic diagram of the high-level waste treatment process at SRS is shown below.



The F- and H- Area HLW Tank Farms contain waste tanks and evaporator systems to manage and treat the high-level radioactive wastewaters generated by SRS operations. These units function to receive fresh wastes, allow radioactive decay by waste aging, provide preliminary clarification by gravity settling, and remove dissolved salts by evaporation. The low activity aqueous portion (overheads from the evaporator systems) is transferred to ETF for final treatment prior to Upper Three Runs Creek. Mercury is recovered from the wastewater and collected for recycle/reuse within the SRS separations processes.

The H-Area HLW Tank Farm also contains process units to treat the accumulated sludges and salts. The sludge processing operation is designed to prepare the sludges for transfer to the DWPF Vitrification Facility for further treatment.

Once Salt Waste is acceptable for On Site Disposal it is sent to the Saltstone Manufacturing Facility and is solidified in vaults in Z-Area.

Vitrification has been identified by EPA as the specified technology for treatment of high-level waste. Borosilicate glass has been determined to be the best stabilization matrix.

TCLP tests of simulated high-level wastes were done on both expected metal levels of wastes to be processed in DWPF and at three times the level of metal expected. These tests indicated that the waste form produced at DWPF will be below the hazardous waste characteristic limits for toxicity (reference WSRC-IM-91-116-13, Rev 0).

### **Facility Status**

On March 7, 1996, DWPF commenced operation by transferring mixed waste "sludge" from the H-Area Tank Farm to the vitrification facility. During 1996, shake-down operations occurred utilizing batch processes of diluted and full-strength mixed waste sludge until conditions of typical, routine operation had been achieved, and all operational difficulties were identified and addressed. Currently, DWPF is in "sludge only" operation. Precipitate or "salt" operations are not expected to commence until a salt processing technology is selected.

### **Regulatory Status**

DWPF is operated under an industrial wastewater permit. Several permit modifications have been issued since the DWPF was first designed for new construction to remove interfering contaminants or to make the operation safer.

### **Treatment Option Status and Uncertainties**

As of January 30, 2002, DWPF has produced or filled a total of 1238 stainless steel canisters, which have been placed in storage at SRS awaiting final disposition at Yucca Mountain.

### **Budget Status**

A budget evaluation was completed for the treatment of high-level liquid waste streams. The evaluation appeared in a document titled *High-Level Waste System Plan, Revision 12*, April 2001 (HLW-2001-000140). Information in this document SRS evaluated funding scenarios needed to ensure:

1. Safe storage of high level waste
2. Risk reduction progress by removing waste from high risk tanks
3. Waste immobilization by operating DWPF
4. Selection, design, construction, and startup of the salt processing facility

In addition, funding levels were developed so that regulatory commitments, as defined in the *F/H Area High-Level Waste Removal Plan and Schedule* (WSRC-RP-93-1477, Rev. 0), submitted to the regulators November 9, 1993, can be met. This plan was revised by the *High-Level Waste (HLW) Removal Plan and Schedule*, which was approved on February 26, 1998, by the regulators. (EPA & SCDHEC)

Under these conditions, the high-level waste treatment program for the F- and H-Canyon high-level liquid wastes can be completed by 2028.

### **Uncertainty Issues**

Salt Processing was suspended in January 1998 at the In-Tank Precipitation (ITP) Facility because the facility could not cost effectively meet both the safety and production requirements for the High Level Waste System. In October 2001, the DOE approved a Record of Decision (ROD) for the Savannah River Site (SRS) Salt processing Alternative Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement, identifying Caustic Side Solvent Extraction (CSSX) as the technology to be used for separation of radioactive cesium from SRS high-level waste salt. Use of current CSSX technology would potentially create an organic-bearing mixed-waste stream, in addition to the salt-bearing waste stream going to DWPF. In parallel, DOE is evaluating the implementation of other salt processing alternatives for specific waste portions that would not need to be processed in the CSSX facility. The evaluation of alternatives and potential operations would be undertaken to maintain operational capacity and flexibility in the HLW system and meet commitments for closure of high-level waste tanks. The Final Salt Processing SEIS acknowledges the possibility of offsite treatment or disposal for certain waste streams, but at this time DOE cannot be more specific about which disposal options would eventually be chosen.

No other significant uncertainties (budgetary, permitting, etc.,) are identified or anticipated for this composite waste stream at this time.

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## Chapter 6. Future Generation of Mixed Waste Streams

This chapter addresses waste streams generated by Environmental Restoration and Decontamination and Decommissioning for which specific waste characterization data is needed before an in-depth options analysis can be performed. The section explains the types of waste to be generated in future activities at the Savannah River Site (SRS) and the general estimates of those waste volumes.

### 6.1 Environmental Restoration Waste

The SRS Environmental Restoration (ER) Mission is to remediate inactive waste sites. SRS has implemented a comprehensive environmental program to maintain compliance with environmental regulations and to mitigate impacts to the environment. ER activities at SRS are governed by the Federal Facility Agreement (FFA). The FFA is a tri-party agreement among the Department of Energy (DOE), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC), which became effective on August 16, 1993. The FFA requires that SRS set work priorities on an annual basis with schedules and deadlines for environmental restoration actions. SRS must also submit to EPA and SCDHEC long-term projections including projected deliverable dates for work activities to be conducted over the next two fiscal years and Record of Decision (ROD) dates for the third fiscal year and beyond.

Other ER activities are defined by Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permits, closure plans, groundwater corrective action requirements, settlement agreements, and consent decrees. Known mixed wastes for which a clean-up decision is scheduled within the next five years and for which treatment in accordance with the RCRA LDRs may be required are discussed for general planning purposes. Due to the uncertainty of how these ER wastes ultimately will be managed, their inclusion into the Site Treatment Plan (STP) (and therefore the specification of how and when they will be treated) will not occur until a final cleanup decision (under Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act [CERCLA] or RCRA) has been reached.

If environmental restoration mixed waste is removed from an area of contamination and is not otherwise subject to an RCRA/CERCLA order or agreement or specifically excluded from the STP, the following actions will be taken to include these waste streams in the STP: (1) review characterization data and obtain more information if necessary to proceed with the preferred option selection process; (2) determine if the new waste would fit into any existing waste stream category by reviewing the waste opposite the characterization information and the preferred treatment option for the existing waste stream; (3) if able to fit into an existing waste stream, modify the MWIR and the STP at the next annual update of the MWIR and STP and proceed with treatment on the same schedule as has been identified for the existing waste stream; (4) if unable to fit this new waste stream into an existing waste category, create a new waste stream and notify SCDHEC within 30 days of discovery as required in the Consent Order, 95-22-HW; (5) identify a preferred treatment option (using the same or similar process as was used to develop other preferred treatment options) and schedule within one year of the notification date.

Given all of the uncertainties associated with the volume and contaminant concentration of ER waste, it is expected that it will consist of the following broad categories: (1) soils, (2) liquid wastes, (3) noncombustible debris (tools, equipment, etc.), (4) combustible debris, and (5) recoverable waste and sludges (e.g., residues in unearthed containers). In general, the five ER waste categories could be treated as follows: Soil could be treated in the same manner as is determined appropriate for SR-W048 soils from spill remediation. Liquid wastes could receive treatment at a waste water treatment facility. Noncombustible debris would be decontaminated (potentially in a containment building or in a tank/container in a 90-day staging area). Combustible debris may be treated offsite at a commercial treatment facility. Recoverable wastes and sludges may be treated offsite at a commercial treatment facility, or incinerated at the Oak Ridge TSCA incinerator, if waste contains PCBs (Refer to Section 3.1.2.1 of Volume I).

## Investigation-Derived Waste

One element of the ER program is the investigation of waste units. Environmental investigations typically employ activities such as drilling and excavating, which produce investigation byproducts. In cases where investigations confirm the presence of contamination and the byproducts contain wastes in concentrations high enough to be of environmental or health concern, special management procedures are warranted. The term used by the EPA and SCDHEC for these potentially contaminated byproducts is Investigation-Derived Waste (IDW).

The *Investigation-Derived Waste Management Plan* (WSRC-RP-94-1227, Rev. 2), approved by EPA and SCDHEC on 2/28/95, describes how IDW generated during characterization and assessment activities will be managed. The *IDW Management Plan* describes the SRS plan to manage IDW generated during investigations performed under the regulatory authority of RCRA, as amended, and CERCLA, as amended, finalization of this plan was a milestone commitment under the FFA. IDW includes potentially contaminated environmental media such as monitoring well purge water, well pumping test and development water, drilling mud, and soil drill cuttings. IDW also includes decontamination water and rinse water as well as equipment and personnel protective equipment that have not been decontaminated. The SRS IDW management strategy is to minimize the quantity of IDW generated while cost-effectively managing the IDW that must be generated.

One of the management programs encompassed within this Plan is for the IDW derived from contact with mixed wastes. The Plan describes the following IDW streams that may be mixed waste:

- Non-listed radioactive IDW is defined as media contaminated with radioactive and RCRA characteristic hazardous constituents in excess of the IDW Management Plan Appendix A (Aqueous) and Appendix B (Non-Aqueous) levels. This contaminated media will be managed as mixed waste if the hazardous substance component exceeds the levels outlined in the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulations R. 61-79.261 Subpart C.
- Listed radioactive IDW is defined as media contaminated with radioactive and RCRA listed hazardous constituents in excess of the IDW Management Plan Appendix A (Aqueous) and Appendix B (Non-Aqueous) levels. Listed IDW exceeding the levels in the Appendices will be managed as a hazardous waste, consistent with EPA's Contained-In Policy.

The following summaries provide a general overview of the potential IDW mixed waste generated by ER activities. These records are not to preclude the record of decision (ROD) process:

**SR-W064, IDW Soils/Sludges/Slurries:** This IDW stream includes soil cuttings, drilling fluids, and turbid well development water with soil being the primary matrix. Depending on the site of the remediation activity, metals and organics may also be present. Radiological levels and hazardous constituent levels depend on the source location.

**SR-W065, IDW Monitoring Well Purge/Development Water:** This IDW stream includes purge water from monitoring wells generated during routine groundwater sampling events and well development water generated directly after monitoring well installations or during well redevelopment. This waste stream also includes aqueous interim action IDW. Radiological levels and hazardous constituent levels depend on the source location.

**SR-W066, IDW Debris:** This IDW stream includes tools and devices used to sample soils and sediments at waste sites. Examples include drill bits, split spoons, and augers. Radiological levels and hazardous constituent levels depend on the source location.

**SR-W067, IDW Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Waste:** This waste stream includes plastic glove boxes, plastic film, coveralls, gloves, shoe covers, and associated waste. Waste matrices may include paper, cloth, plastic, and wood. As with the other three IDW streams, radiological levels and hazardous constituent levels depend on the source location.

**SR-W070, Mixed Waste from Laboratory Samples:** Refer to Section 3.1.2.6 of Volume II for the description of this waste stream. This waste stream consists of incinerable lab waste from the analytical testing of groundwater



samples taken from the site and processed at onsite or commercial, offsite laboratories. It includes sample residues, unused samples, and related laboratory wastes.

**SR-W077, Aqueous Characteristic Wastewater:** This waste stream consists of characteristically hazardous wastewaters that are suitable for treatment in a SRS wastewater treatment facility. Radiological levels and hazardous constituent levels depend on the source location.

Since the *IDW Management Plan* is a regulatory commitment under the FFA, negotiations on the Plan's content and treatment schedules have occurred with EPA and SCDHEC. The negotiations resulted in an *IDW Management Plan* that was approved by all parties on February 28, 1995. To avoid dual regulatory commitments in the FFA and STP compliance order, the details of management of IDW have been deferred to the *IDW Management Plan* for those treatment processes specified in the *IDW Management Plan*. The *IDW Management Plan* Appendix C implementation schedules contain regulatory commitments for the treatment of the aqueous mixed waste stream (SR-W065). Thus, an in-depth option analysis for this stream has not been done, and the treatment schedules are not provided in Volume I of the STP. Because of the coverage provided by the *IDW Management Plan*, this waste stream is specifically excluded from the STP process.

The mixed waste non-aqueous IDW media (SR-W064, SR-W066, SR-W067), which is generated outside the Area of Contamination, will be placed in storage for treatment and disposal. Since these waste streams are future waste streams, characterization data does not exist to enable an in-depth options analysis to be performed. Thus, upon the availability of characterization data, these future waste streams will be addressed in the STP. In general, a review of existing waste streams and their preferred treatment options will be made once the IDW stream has been characterized. Should the IDW stream be comparable to an existing waste stream and meet the preferred treatment option's Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC), the IDW stream will be treated as identified in the STP for the existing waste stream. If a comparable waste stream is not found, a new waste stream will be created and identified to SCDHEC within 30 days. A treatment option analysis will be performed and a treatment option identified within 12 months. A preferred treatment option and schedule will be identified, using the same or similar process as was used to develop other preferred treatment options.

### **Remediation Waste**

In addition to IDW, ER activities could generate remediation wastes during closure or restoration of inactive waste units or during groundwater corrective action. A variety of contaminated soils, sludges, and liquids will result from cleanup activities including secondary waste streams from remediation treatment processes. Many remediation units are currently in the assessment phase, so the nature and extent of contamination has not yet been defined. Detailed information on the specific clean-up activities that may be applied to the various contamination problems is not yet available, so the resultant waste that could be generated cannot yet be reliably determined. For example, the decision on whether a given contaminated area such as a waste pit is to be excavated or stabilized in place is not typically made until after the nature of the problem has been adequately defined, various response alternatives and related impacts have been evaluated in considerable detail, and other agencies (EPA and SCDHEC) and the local community have had a chance to comment on the preferred alternative. If characterization activities identified both radioactive and hazardous contaminants in the pit, it is possible that mixed waste could be generated if the pit were excavated, whereas no waste would be generated if the pit were capped in place. Thus, early volume estimates for mixed waste associated with this pit are uncertain because of the nature of the remedial action process.

Even in those cases where the decision has already been made and specific activities have advanced beyond the conceptual planning stage, the information needed to support a reasonable estimate of resultant waste volumes is still generally unavailable. For example, a site may already have conducted bench-scale and pilot-scale testing for a given water treatment system, and scale-up and construction may have been completed, but key data such as the operating efficiencies of its individual components, including pretreatment and post-treatment processes, cannot be known until the actual treatment is well under way. Similarly, the contaminant concentrations of the effluents cannot be reliably known until the system is in full use, so the specific nature of the treatment residuals that may be produced over the next five years cannot be reliably determined.

### IDW and Remediation Waste Forecasts

The waste inventories and projections listed on Table 6.1, Environmental Mixed Wastes Forecast, are based on the best available information. These estimates will continue to be updated as clean-up activities progress at the individual sites, and the appropriate information becomes available.

The volume estimates in Table 6.1 may reflect a lower estimate than the Mixed Waste Inventory Report. The STP does not include a waste forecast for waste streams covered by existing regulatory documents.

**Table 6.1 – Environmental Restoration Mixed Wastes Forecast**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Source Location</b>	<b>Waste Stream</b>	<b>EPA Waste Code/Isotopes</b>	<b>Volume (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
2002	Laboratory Sample Waste	Sample residue return from onsite laboratories (SR-W077)	F001, D001/H <sup>3</sup> , Cs <sup>137</sup> , Co <sup>60</sup> , Sr <sup>90</sup>	2.1
	Sitewide Remediation Areas	Aqueous Interim Action IDW (SR-W065)*	F001, F002, F003, F004, F005	19.0
	Sitewide Remediation Areas	Mixed waste from laboratory samples (SR-W070)	F001, F002, F003, F004, F005, D001, D002, D009, D038	2.5
2003	Laboratory Sample Waste	Sample residue return from onsite laboratories (SR-W077)	F001, D001/H <sup>3</sup> , Cs <sup>137</sup> , Co <sup>60</sup> , Sr <sup>90</sup>	2.6
	Sitewide Remediation Areas	Aqueous Interim Action IDW (SR-W065)*	F001, F002, F003, F004, F005	19.0
	Sitewide Remediation Areas	Mixed waste from laboratory samples (SR-W070)	F001, F002, F003, F004, F005, D001, D002, D009, D038	2.5
2004	Laboratory Sample Waste	Sample residue return from onsite laboratories (SR-W077)	F001, D001/H <sup>3</sup> , Cs <sup>137</sup> , Co <sup>60</sup> , Sr <sup>90</sup>	2.5
	Sitewide Remediation Areas	Aqueous Interim Action IDW (SR-W065)*	F001, F002, F003, F004, F005	19.0
	Sitewide Remediation Areas	Mixed waste from laboratory samples (SR-W070)	F001, F002, F003, F004, F005, D001, D002, D009, D038	2.5
2005	Laboratory Sample Waste	Sample residue return from onsite laboratories (SR-W077)	F001, D001/H <sup>3</sup> , Cs <sup>137</sup> , Co <sup>60</sup> , Sr <sup>90</sup>	0.4
	Sitewide Remediation Areas	Aqueous Interim Action IDW (SR-W065)*	F001, F002, F003, F004, F005	19.0
	Sitewide Remediation Areas	Mixed waste from laboratory samples (SR-W070)	F001, F002, F003, F004, F005, D001, D002, D009, D038	0.1
2006	Laboratory Sample Waste	Sample residue return from onsite laboratories (SR-W077)	F001, D001/H <sup>3</sup> , Cs <sup>137</sup> , Co <sup>60</sup> , Sr <sup>90</sup>	0.3

Table 6.1-Environmental Restoration Mixed Wastes Forecast (cont'd)

	Sitewide Remediation Areas	Aqueous Interim Action IDW (SR-W065)*	F001, F002, F003, F004, F005	19.0
	Sitewide Remediation Areas	Mixed waste from laboratory samples (SR-W070)	F001, F002, F003, F004, F005, D001, D002, D009, D038	0.1

\*IDW waste stream numbers are temporary placeholders until Environmental Restoration wastes can be properly identified and characterized. Upon completion of characterization Environmental Restoration mixed waste can be assigned to a waste stream in the STP, identified as a new waste in the STP, or be incorporated into the Federal Facility Agreement as described in Section 2.3.5, Volume I of the STP.

## 6.2 Decommissioning and Decontamination (D&D) Waste

At the end of a facility's lifecycle when it or its mission is no longer needed by DOE, the facility undergoes a process referred to as "disposition." This is a series of stages where the facility is brought from its condition and status at the time operations end to a final end state that involves either dismantlement or conversion for another use. As additional specific projects are funded, walkdowns and initial characterization will be done to generate the best estimated of the volume and nature of wastes that could be generated. This information will be incorporated into appropriate revisions of the STP as funding for those activities is allocated.

## 6.3 Additional Waste Streams

### Other Mixed Waste Generated at SRS

A verbal agreement has been reached with SCDHEC and SRS that waste in satellite accumulation areas that is treated in a 90-day staging area or by elementry neutralization will not be included in the Site Treatment Plan or the Mixed Waste Inventory Report. Exceptions to this agreement are if the waste is continually generated and treated (e.g., SR-W050 supporting ITP process sampling activity) or if the waste is a large quantity (e.g., SR-W072 debris treatment by HLW Operations). These cases are evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

There is a mixed waste stream that will be generated in the future, SR-W034, Calcium Metal. This waste stream was generated in the past, only to be eliminated when it was determined not to be a mixed waste. A new generation of calcium metal is being forecast, and the treatment path will be determined and submitted to SCDHEC 12 months after the waste has been generated in sufficient quantities to enter the STP.

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## Chapter 7. Storage

DOE is committed to storing mixed waste in compliance with RCRA storage requirements in 40 CFR 264 or 40 CFR 265, or equivalent state RCRA storage regulations, and approved variances pending the development of treatment capacity and implementation of the Site Treatment Plan (STP).

To ship mixed waste offsite for treatment, storage before, and after treatment will be arranged on a case-by-case basis between the shipping and receiving sites, in consultation with the affected states. Factors such as inadequate compliant storage capacity at the shipping site and the need to facilitate closure of the shipping site will be considered in proposing shipping schedules.

The Savannah River Site (SRS) currently operates several mixed waste storage facilities in accordance with the hazardous waste management regulations promulgated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC). The EPA established a framework for the proper management of hazardous waste by promulgating the regulations contained in 40 CFR 260-270. These regulations implement Subtitle C of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). South Carolina has obtained authorization from the EPA to implement the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (SCHWMR) R.61-79.260-270 in lieu of the majority of federal regulations promulgated by the EPA in 40 CFR 260-270. There are some exceptions to the SCDHEC's authority to implement the hazardous waste program in South Carolina, so the Savannah River Site (SRS) must comply with the both EPA and SCDHEC's environmental regulations depending on the delegation of authority. For the purposes of this document, compliance with the EPA regulations that South Carolina has not received authority for are included in the discussions concerning compliance with the SCHWMR, unless it is stated otherwise.

Each onsite, mixed waste storage facility at SRS complies with the SCHWMR. For the most part, facilities under interim status meet the minimum state standards of the SCHWMR R.61-79.265, while permitted facilities meet the final facility standards of SCHWMR R.61-79.264 and the specific requirements outlined in the facility's RCRA Part B Permit. Both categories of facilities must comply with future regulations adopted by EPA or SCDHEC.

The F-Area and H-Area Tank Farms, which receive high-level waste (HLW) generated by operations at the Savannah River Site, are permitted under Industrial Wastewater Permits 17,424-IW and 14,520-IW of the South Carolina Pollution Control Act rather than RCRA.

Due to a lack of treatment capacities for mixed wastes, a Federal Facility Compliance Agreement for the land disposal restrictions (LDR-FFCA) was entered into by the EPA-Region IV and the Department of Energy (DOE) to provide a period for the SRS to construct and operate treatment facilities for the prohibited mixed wastes. The wastes covered by the LDR-FFCA were either current stored wastes, or they were to be generated in the future, stored, and treated, by the operation of the facilities at the SRS, in accordance with the LDR-FFCA. The LDR-FFCA required notification to regulators of the generation of new LDR waste streams and estimates of future generation of LDR wastes. The LDR-FFCA formalized a plan for the mixed waste treatment facilities and included schedules, permitting requirements, and compliance issues. The LDR-FFCA was modified through a bridging amendment to cover the period of time until October 1995 when the Site Treatment Plan compliance order under the Federal Facility Compliance Act (FFCA) of 1992 was signed and became effective. The Approved STP and Consent Order 95-22-HW superseded the LDR-FFCA on September 29, 1995.

### 7.1 Existing SRS Mixed Waste Storage Capacity

Mixed waste falls into three categories: mixed low-level waste (MLLW), mixed transuranic (MTRU) waste, or high-level waste (HLW). These three types of mixed wastes are not stored in the same facilities. Section 7.1.1 discusses the storage provisions for mixed low-level waste. Section 7.1.2 discusses storage of mixed TRU waste. Section 7.1.3 discusses the storage of HLW at the F-Area and H-Area Tank Farms.

## 7.1.1 Mixed Low-Level Waste (MLLW)

This section addresses the storage areas, waste inventories, and specific facility descriptions of MLLW at SRS. MLLW is currently stored in RCRA-permitted and interim status storage facilities, such as MLLW container storage and tank storage areas. Section 7.1.1.1 discusses the permitted and interim status facilities. Section 7.1.1.2 contains the inventories of the storage facilities as of October 1, 1997. Section 7.1.1.3 describes the MLLW storage facilities.

### 7.1.1.1 MLLW Permitted and Interim Status Storage

The following facilities are currently in use or planned for MLLW storage. These facilities have either been approved for interim status under RCRA Part A, or permitted by a RCRA Part B Permit.

Each of these storage facilities is described in Section 7.1.1.3, "Description of MLLW Facilities." Table 7.1, "MLLW – Storage Capacity", provides the current storage capacities and the storage permit status (RCRA Interim Status or RCRA Part B Permitted) for each of these storage facilities.

#### Mixed Low-Level Waste–Container Storage

- Mixed Waste Buildings 645-N, 645-2N, and 645-4N in the Hazardous Waste Storage Facility in N Area
- Solid Waste Storage Pad (SWSP) in N Area
- Mixed Waste Storage Building 643-29E in E Area
- Mixed Waste Storage Building 643-43E in E Area
- Mixed Waste Storage Shed 316-M in M Area
- Mixed Waste Storage Pad 315-4M in M Area
- Mixed Waste Building 710-B in B-Area

In addition, some MLLW is stored on TRU pads 2 through 19.

#### Mixed Low-Level Waste–Tank Storage

- DWPF Organic Waste Storage Tank in S-Area
- Savannah River Technology Center (SRTC) Mixed Waste Storage Tanks
- Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33-S36
- Note: Tanks S23–S30 are no longer in use.

Burial Ground Solvent Tanks S23-S30 have undergone closure and have been replaced by new Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33-S36. A revision to the RCRA Part A has been approved adding Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33-S36. During the closure of tanks S23-S28, waste from S23-S28 was transferred to S29 and S30. Waste from S29 and S30 has been transferred to S33-S36. With certification of closure of the Burial Ground Solvent Tanks (S23-S30), SRS submitted a final notice changing the capacity of the Burial Ground Solvent Tanks S23-S30 to zero and the Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33-S36 to 120,000 gallons.

**Table 7.1 Mixed Low-Level Waste (MLLW)–Storage Capacity**

**MLLW Container Storage**

Facility Name	Storage Area	Location	RCRA Status	Storage Capacity <sup>(1)</sup> Volume in Gallons (m <sup>3</sup> )
Hazardous Waste Storage Facility	Mixed Waste Building N Area and B-Area	645-N 645-2N 645-4N SWSP 710-B	B	1,689,852 (6,396)
Mixed Waste Storage Building	E Area	643-29E	A	86,170 (326)
Mixed Waste Storage Building	E Area	643-43E	A	239,515 (1,111)
Mixed Waste Storage Shed	M Area	316-M	A	30,800 (116.6)
Mixed Waste Storage Pad	M Area	315-4M	A	584,000 (2,210)
TRU Pads	E Area	Pads 2-19	A	N/A <sup>(2)</sup>
TOTAL				2,684,337 <sup>(2)</sup> (10,043)

**MLLW Tank Storage**

Facility Name	Storage Area	Location	RCRA Status	Storage Capacity <sup>(1)</sup> Volume in Gallons (m <sup>3</sup> )
DWPF Organic Waste Storage Tank	S Area	430-S	(Closed)	0
SRTC Mixed Waste Storage Tanks	SRTC	776-2A	A	52,310 (198)
Solvent Tanks Burial Ground Solvent Tanks S23-S30	E Area	S23-S30	A (closed)	0 (0)
Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33-S36	H Area	S33-S36	A	120,000 <sup>(3)</sup> (454)
TOTAL				172,310 (652) <sup>(3)</sup>

- (1) This capacity is that allowed by RCRA Part A Interim Status or Part B Permits. Current storage configurations may decrease the actual working capacity.
- (2) There is no MLLW related capacity on the TRU pads. The MLLW in storage on the TRU pads or in Buildings 645-N and 645-4N uses storage capacity and storage space assigned to mixed TRU waste.
- (3) Tanks S23-S30 have undergone interim closure. The 200,000 gallons will be eliminated, and 120,000 gallons will be the revised capacity for new Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33-S36. The TOTAL is based on 120,000 gallons capacity for tanks S33-S36. Working capacity will be less than 120,000 gallons, since tanks are not operated 100% full.
- (4) Maximum storage of non-free liquid wastes.





### 7.1.1.2 Stored MLLW Inventory

The inventory of waste currently stored in each of these facilities is given in Table 7.2, "MLLW Stored Inventory and Excess Capacity". These stored volumes, subtracted from the capacities listed in Table 7.1, result in the excess capacities listed in Table 7.2.

**Table 7.2 MLLW Stored Inventory and Excess Capacity (9/30/01)**

#### MLLW Container Storage

Facility	Stored Inventory Gallons (m <sup>3</sup> )*	Excess Storage Capacity <sup>(1)</sup> Gallons (m <sup>3</sup> )**
Mixed Waste Buildings 645-N, 645-2N, 645-4N, and SWSP <sup>(2)</sup>	186,525 (706)	1,503,327 (5690)
Mixed Waste Storage Building 643-29E	16,017 (60)	70,153 (266)
Mixed Waste Storage Building 643-43E	68,428 (259)	225,087 (852)
Mixed Waste Storage Shed, 316-M	18,587 (71)	12,253 (46)
Mixed Waste Storage Pad, 315-4M	210,303 (796)	373,697 (1414)
TRU Pads	19,758 (87)	N/A <sup>(2)</sup>

TOTAL 519,618 (1979) TOTAL 2,184,517 (8268)

#### MLLW Tank Storage

Facility	Stored Inventory Gallons (m <sup>3</sup> )*	Excess Storage Capacity Gallons (m <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>(1)</sup>
DWPF Organic Waste Storage Tank <sup>(3)</sup>	0 (0)	0 (0)
SRTC Mixed Waste Storage Tanks	18,740 (71)	33,570 (127)
Burial Ground Solvent Tanks S23–S30 <sup>(3)</sup>	0 (0)	0 (0)
Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33–S36 <sup>(4)</sup>	39,125 (148)	80,875 (306)

TOTAL 57,865 (219) TOTAL 114,445 (433)

(1) For details see Section 7.2.1.

(2) There is no MLLW-related capacity on the TRU pads. The MLLW in storage on the TRU pads uses storage capacity and storage space assigned to mixed TRU waste.

(3) This facility is closed.

(4) Transfer operation of solvent from burial ground solvent tanks to Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33–S36 has been completed.

\* The inventory includes all waste stored regardless of radioactive or hazardous classification.

\*\* This is based on currently approved (Jan. 2002) storage volumes.

### **7.1.1.3 Description of MLLW Facilities**

#### **Buildings 645-N, 645-2N, 645-4N, 710-B and the Solid Waste Storage Pad (SWSP)**

Buildings 645-N, 645-2N, 645-4N, 710-B and the SWSP are part of the HWSF and are used for storage of MLLW and non-radioactive hazardous waste and Low Level waste. Storage containers in Buildings 645-N, 645-2N, 645-4N, and 710-B are typically 55-gallon drums (0.2 m<sup>3</sup>) or 20 to 90 ft<sup>3</sup> (0.6 to 2.6 m<sup>3</sup>) boxes. Building 645-2N primarily stores MLLW while Buildings 645-N and 645-4N primarily store non-radioactive hazardous waste.

Buildings 645-2N and 645-4N are steel-framed buildings with sheet metal siding. Building 645-N is a partially enclosed building with metal and chain-link fence for the walls. The floor in Building 645-N is subdivided into seven (7) cells, the floor in Building 645-2N is subdivided into four (4) cells, and Building 645-4N is not subdivided. Building 645-4N and each of the cells in Buildings 645-N and 645-2N have concrete dikes capable of containing at least 10% of the maximum volume of wastes containing free liquids that the building and the cells can store. In addition, the floor in Building 645-4N as well as each cell in Buildings 645-N and 645-2N slopes to a sump. All three buildings have lighting, and Building 645-2N has forced ventilation.

Building 710-B is an enclosed building with sheet metal roofing and siding. The floor of the building is 4-foot elevated concrete slab subdivided into three (3) bays. Each bay has containment dikes, however, until the floor coating is repaired to the standards required by the Part B Permit Application only waste that contains no free liquid can be stored in 710-B.

The SWSPs are open storage areas located on the asphalt in the N-Area HWSF. The SWSP is comprised of three waste pads: Waste Pad 1, Waste Pad 2, and Waste Pad 3. Waste Pad 1 is located between Buildings 645-2N and 645-4N. Waste Pad 2 is located between Buildings 645-4N and 645-N. Waste Pad 3 is located east of Building 645-N. The SWSPs are each partially covered with 18-foot-wide weather shelters. The SWSP has storage capacity to store 13,400 55-gallon drums or 2,192 45-ft<sup>3</sup>-storage containers.

Access to the SWSP and Buildings 645-N, 645-2N, and 645-4N, which are all located within the chain-link fence surrounding the N-Area HWSF, is controlled by the custodian, Solid Waste Operations. The security fence gate is locked when operations are not occurring within the HWSF.

#### **Building 643-29E**

Building 643-29E is primarily used for storage of mixed low-level waste. The building is designed and constructed as a curbed, concrete pad covered by a metal-framed building. The building is constructed of steel I-beam frames with a sheet metal roof and partial sheet metal siding. The building measure 60 feet × 60 feet with a 50 feet × 50 feet storage pad area.

The storage area of the pad is curbed and includes a concrete sump to collect any leaks. Waste stored in the building is packaged in a variety of drums (23-gallon, 55-gallon, 83-gallon [0.09 m<sup>3</sup>, 0.2 m<sup>3</sup>, 0.31 m<sup>3</sup>, respectively]) 20 ft<sup>3</sup> to 90 ft<sup>3</sup> steel boxes (0.6-2.6 m<sup>3</sup>) and concrete casks used as shielding overpacks to reduce dose rate. Other containers, including special design containers, may also be used occasionally.

#### **Building 643-43E**

Building 643-43E is designated for storage of mixed low-level and hazardous waste. The building is nearly identical in design to Building 643-29E. Building 643-43E measures 160 feet × 60 feet overall with a 150 feet × 50 feet storage pad area. Building 643-43E is located just east of Building 643-29E. The concrete pad within the building is curbed around the storage area and includes a sump. A RCRA Part B modification has been submitted to allow the placement of HANDS-55 within this building.

Waste stored in the building is contained in 55-gallon drums (0.2 m<sup>3</sup>), 20 ft<sup>3</sup> to 90 ft<sup>3</sup> steel boxes (0.6-2.55 m<sup>3</sup>), concrete casks used as shielding overpacks to reduce dose rate, and intermodal shipping containers previously packaged for waste shipment to commercial vendors. Other containers, including special design containers, may also be used occasionally.

### **Building 316-M**

The Mixed Waste Storage Shed, Building 316-M is typically used for storage of hazardous and mixed low-level waste that contains no free liquids. The building measures 120 feet  $\times$  50 feet. The storage area of the building is 100 feet  $\times$  40 feet.

The storage area of the concrete pad within the building is curbed on three sides. The fourth side of the pad is elevated to ensure positive drainage to 12 static sumps within the pad. An interior curb divides the pad into halves, each half having six sumps. The sumps are divided into sets of three, which are connected.

Waste stored in the building is packaged in 55-gallon (0.2 m<sup>3</sup>) drums and large steel boxes (typically B-25 type, 2.55 m<sup>3</sup>). Other containers, including special design containers, may also be used occasionally.

### **315-4M Storage Pad**

The 315-4M storage pad is a concrete pad and is used for containerized storage of mixed wastes. The storage pad is 135 feet  $\times$  200 feet overall and is curbed on all four sides except for a 23-ft access way on the south side. It has a 134 feet  $\times$  199 feet storage area within the curbed area.

The pad has a 0.6% grade, running east to west. Curbing will prevent run on to the facility and serve to direct rainwater to a storm water drain, located on the west portion of the pad. The pad is completely fenced with a lockable access gate on the south side.

The waste to be stored will be packaged in approved containers, generally 71-gallon square steel drums, 55-gallon drums, and large steel boxes (typically B25 type, 2.55 m/box). Other type containers, including special design containers, may be used occasionally. No liquid or multiphasic waste will be stored within the pad.

### **DWPF Organic Waste Storage Tank**

The DWPF Organic Waste Storage Tank has a capacity of 150,000 gallons (567.8 m<sup>3</sup>). The tank is constructed of 304-L stainless steel and is approximately 35 feet in diameter. It has a double-seal internal floating roof and a fixed dome roof. A full height carbon steel outer vessel serves as secondary containment. The outer vessel is equipped with provisions for continuous liquid leak detection and has a roof for weather protection.

The tank vapor space is made inert with nitrogen gas. Foam injection nozzles are installed in the primary and secondary tanks for fire suppression. An emergency vent, which relieves to the atmosphere, prevents over-pressure of the tank in case of an external fire.

### **SRTC Mixed Waste Storage Tanks**

There are ten radioactive liquid waste tanks identified as tanks A through H, J and K. They are located below grade in an underground vault. Tanks A through G each have a capacity of 5900 gallons (22.3 m<sup>3</sup>) and are 10 feet in diameter  $\times$  11 feet high. Tanks H, J, and K each have a capacity of 3670 gallons (13.9 m<sup>3</sup>) and are 8 feet in diameter  $\times$  11 feet high. All tanks are constructed of 0.5-inch stainless steel in accordance with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Codes for unfired pressure vessels. The tanks are located in concrete vaults. The exterior walls of the vaults are 12 inches thick with 18-inch thick partition walls between adjacent vaults.

Each tank is equipped with an agitator, a sampling system, and a dip line extending to about one inch above the tank bottom. The dip line is used for transferring waste material from the tank. The tanks are agitated for sampling and during waste transfer operations. After a tank is emptied, a liquid heel of approximately 50 liters remains in the bottom of the tank. Each tank has an internal wash jet such that liquid can be circulated internally and sprayed.

### **Solvent Tanks**

The solvent in the Burial Ground Solvent Tanks S23-S30 was transferred to the Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33-S36. Tanks S23-S30 have undergone interim closure. The Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33-S36 have replaced, or partially replaced, the capacity currently permitted for the Burial Ground Solvent Tanks S23-S30 as discussed in Section 7.1.1.1. The approved RCRA Part A revision that SRS submitted to include Tanks S33-S36 on the RCRA Part A

describes the tanks as four buried, double-walled tanks with nominal capacities of 30,000 gallons each. Each tank has been constructed of carbon steel and has been provided with corrosion protection, a leak detection system, leak collection sump, overflow protection, waste agitation pumps, single filtration system, and inspection ports.

## 7.1.2 MTRU Waste

There are currently 19 mixed TRU waste storage pads located at the burial ground in E Area. Mixed TRU waste is stored on storage pads 1-19. Pads 18 and 19 were approved for interim storage in January 1996 by SCDHEC.

The 19 storage pads are included in the RCRA Part A permit for SRS. TRU pad 1 is covered with soil and currently managed as a RCRA Subpart X Miscellaneous Unit while TRU pads 2-19 are managed as a RCRA Subpart I Container Storage Unit. Retrieval on TRU pads 2-5 is complete.

Storage containers on the pads consist mainly of 55-gallon ( $0.2 \text{ m}^3$ ) carbon steel and galvanized steel drums. Other containers include concrete culverts that contain either 55-gallon drums or small polyboxes, large carbon steel boxes, steel and concrete casks, and numerous steel boxes of various sizes.

### 7.1.2.1 MTRU Waste Storage

Storage pads 1-19 are under interim status for storage of an aggregate of 4,031,000 gallons ( $15,257 \text{ m}^3$ ) of mixed TRU waste as follows:

Pads 1-5	1,111,000 gallons	(4,205 $\text{m}^3$ )
Pads 6-19	2,920,000 gallons	(11,052 $\text{m}^3$ )
TOTAL	4,031,000 gallons	(15,257 $\text{m}^3$ )

In 1989, SRS was granted a variance from a portion of the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (SCHWMR), R.61-79.265.35 and 265.173(c) and (d) for Pads 6-13. These sections of the regulations described the requirements for aisle spacing and labeling of container storage areas. A Conditional Variance from aisle spacing requirements of SCHWMR R.61-79.265.35 for containers stored on TRU pads 14 through 17 was granted to the SRS on June 2, 1993. The Conditional Variance was issued to SRS through December 31, 1998. A plan was submitted to SCDHEC in September 1998, to reconfigure aisle spacing on all TRU storage pads. A modification to the STP for the aisle spacing reconfiguration was submitted to SCDHEC September 20, 1999. This reconfiguration was further amended in October 2000. SCDHEC approved the plan July 25, 2001. The schedule is included in Chapter 3 of Volume I.

In March 1989, SRS discovered that rainwater had infiltrated through the filter vents into some of the drums stored on concrete pads. Subsequently, in February 1991, SRS submitted a dewatering plan to SCDHEC that outlined a procedure for dewatering the drums. SRS has completed dewatering of the TRU drums, and the drums are being appropriately labeled and stored on enclosed TRU pads 14 through 19. These pads (14 through 19, and pads 3-6) are presently the only TRU pads with weather enclosures. On July 31, 1998, SCDHEC was notified by letter of rainwater in leakage that was discovered in 15 boxes on the TRU storage pads. An inspection and dewatering schedule was submitted to SCDHEC April 28, 1999. Dewatering is complete. Disposition of liquid is in progress.

### 7.1.2.2 MTRU Waste Stored Inventory

The inventory of mixed TRU waste stored on the TRU pads is 1,870,172 gallons ( $7,078.6 \text{ m}^3$ ) as of October 1, 2001.

### 7.1.2.3 Description of MTRU Waste Storage Pads

TRU pads 1 through 6 are located in the southeastern corner of the 643-7E Solid Waste Disposal Facility (SWDF). Each has been filled with containerized waste. Pads 1 through 5 were subsequently covered with three feet of fill soil, a synthetic liner, a foot of fill soil, and six inches of topsoil with grass seed (Pensacola Bahai). Pads 1 through 4 were coated with spray made from asphalt (for erosion control). Mounding over the pads provides shielding for the stored radionuclides and protection of the waste forms from nature and intrusion. Retrieval is complete on TRU pads 2-5.

TRU pads 7 through 13 are located adjacent to each other in the northeastern corner of the 643-7E SWDF, and TRU pads 14 through 19 are located adjacent to each other in approximately the center of the 643-7E SWDF. TRU pads 2 through 19 are not covered with soil and will not be covered because this waste will be shipped to WIPP.

Each of the 19 TRU pads is sloped to the center and to one end. This directs any liquid to a drain that is connected to a sump. The liquid in each sump is sampled, analyzed, and, if there is any radioactive contamination, removed by pumping, and managed accordingly.

TRU pads 3 through 6 and 14 through 19 are roofed with a structural enclosure system. Similar enclosures are planned for other pads. The purpose of the enclosures is to protect stored waste drums from rain until treated and disposed.

Salient features of the enclosures are (1) leak proof roof with ultraviolet light protection (Ledlar or equivalent), (2) high wind load resistance, and (3) no center columns.

### **7.1.3 High-Level Waste (HLW)**

The F-Area and H-Area Tank Farms contain waste tanks and evaporator systems that manage and treat the high-level radioactive wastewater generated by operations at the Savannah River Site. These HLW waste streams are generated at several different sources and are introduced into the tank farms at several different locations. HLW is produced during reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel or are derived from other processes that handle HLW. The tanks and evaporator systems in the F-Area and H-Area Tank Farms receive fresh wastes, allow radioactive decay by waste aging, provide primary clarification by gravity settling, and remove dissolved salts after concentration by evaporation. The H-Area HLW Tank Farm also contains process units to treat the accumulated sludges and salts. The F-Area and H-Area Tank Farms operate under Industrial Wastewater permit number 17,424-IW, with the exception of Tank 50 that operates under Industrial Wastewater permit number 14,520.

#### **7.1.3.1 HLW Storage**

The F-Area and H-Area Tank Farms are currently permitted under Industrial Wastewater permits to manage HLW. The tank farms are described in Section 7.1.3.3, "Description of F- and H-Area HLW Tank Farms."

#### **7.1.3.2 HLW Stored Inventory**

The total inventory of stored HLW in all of the tanks in the F- and H-Area Tank Farms is approximately 38.6 million gallons (146,167 m<sup>3</sup>) (as of October 1, 2001). Of the 27 Type III/IIIA tanks (Table 7.3), three tanks are dedicated for processing of HLW for final disposal. The working capacity within these tanks is approximately 2,390,000 gallons (9,047 m<sup>3</sup>) (as of October 1, 2001), not including tanks 48 and 50 (salt processing), and Tank 51 (DWPF feed and Sludge Processing). This working capacity does not take into account dedicated capacity for emergency storage in an amount equivalent to the volume of two tanks.

#### **7.1.3.3 Description of F- and H-Area HLW Tank Farms**

The F- and H-Area HLW Tank Farms contain waste tanks and evaporator systems to manage and treat the high-level radioactive wastewaters generated by SRS operations. These units function to receive fresh wastes, allow radioactive decay by waste aging, provide preliminary clarification by gravity settling, and remove dissolved salts by evaporation. The low activity aqueous portion (overheads from the evaporator systems) is transferred to ETF for final treatment prior to discharge to Upper Three Runs Creek. Mercury is recovered from the wastewater and collected for recycle/reuse within the SRS separations processes.

The H-Area HLW Tank Farm also contains process units to treat the accumulated sludges and salts. The sludge processing operation is designed to prepare the sludges for transfer to the DWPF Vitrification Facility for further treatment. Once salt waste is acceptable for On Site Disposal it is sent to the Saltstone Manufacturing Facility and is solidified in vaults in Z-Area.

Salt Processing was suspended in January 1998 at the In-Tank Precipitation (ITP) Facility because the facility could not cost effectively meet both the safety and production requirements for the High Level Waste System. In October

2001, the DOE approved a Record of Decision (ROD) for the Savannah River Site (SRS) Salt processing Alternative Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement, identifying Caustic Side Solvent Extraction (CSSX) as the technology to be used for separation of radioactive cesium from SRS high-level waste salt. Use of current CSSX technology would potentially create an organic-bearing mixed-waste stream, in addition to the salt-bearing waste stream going to DWPF. In parallel, DOE is evaluating the implementation of other salt processing alternatives for specific waste portions that would not need to be processed in the CSSX facility. The evaluation of alternatives and potential operations would be undertaken to maintain operational capacity and flexibility in the HLW system and meet commitments for closure of high-level waste tanks. The Final Salt Processing SEIS acknowledges the possibility of offsite treatment or disposal for certain waste streams, but at this time DOE cannot be more specific about which disposal options would eventually be chosen.

The F-Tank Farm contains 22 tanks and the H-Tank Farm contains 29 tanks. Due to a history of leakage, Tank 16, a Type II tank, has been emptied (except the annulus), cleaned, removed from service, and is not included in this discussion. Also, F-Tank Farm tanks 17 and 20, Type IV tanks, have been operationally closed, back-filled with grout, and are not included in this discussion.

**Table 7.3 Storage Capacity for F-Area and H-Area Tank Farms**

Tank Type	Area	No. of Tanks	Capacity, Each (10 <sup>6</sup> gallons)	Total Capacity (10 <sup>6</sup> gallons)
I*	F	8	0.75	N/A
I*	H	4	0.75	N/A
II*	H	3**	1.03	N/A
III/IIIA	F	10	1.3	13.0
III/IIIA	H	17	1.3	22.1
IV*	F	2***	1.3	N/A
IV*	H	4	1.3	N/A
TOTAL				35.1

\* These tanks do not meet secondary containment criteria as described in the FFA and are therefore not used in determining the total and excess storage capacity. These tanks, however, currently contain waste that has been included in the total current waste inventory.

\*\* Tank 16 is excluded.

\*\*\* Tank 17 and Tank 20 are operationally closed and backfilled with grout.

The design of each of the four types of waste tanks was based on the best available professional engineering judgment, proposed use, and progressive operating experience. In general, the Type I waste tank design consists of a primary tank made of carbon steel. Surrounding the primary tank is a 5-foot-high carbon steel secondary pan. The annulus pan has a leak detection system consisting of conductivity probe to detect liquid and a liquid level bubbler. The secondary pan is enclosed by a concrete vault, which also surrounds the entire primary tank. Type I tanks have a nominal storage capacity of 750,000 gallons (2,838.7 m<sup>3</sup>).

The Type II tanks are also made of carbon steel with a 5-foot high annulus pan, surrounded by a concrete vault and provided with leak detection. Type II tanks have a 1.03 million gallon (3,898.5 m<sup>3</sup>) nominal storage capacity.

The primary tanks of Type III/IIIA tanks are constructed of carbon steel. A full-height carbon steel secondary tank that is capable of containing the complete volume of the primary tank surrounds each primary tank. The secondary tank is provided with leak detection. Type III/IIIA tanks have a nominal storage capacity of 1.3 million gallons (4,920 m<sup>3</sup>).

Each of the Type IV tanks is basically a carbon steel-lined pre-stressed concrete tank with a domed roof. Leak detection for these tanks is provided by a grid of channels in the concrete foundation under the tank that drain to a sump outside the periphery of the tank wall. Type IV tanks are not equipped with a steel annulus pan or full steel secondary tanks. The nominal storage capacity for Type IV tanks is 1.3 million (4,920 m<sup>3</sup>).

## 7.2 Future Storage Capability Needs for SRS Wastes

Requirements for future storage capability for mixed TRU and mixed low-level wastes are based on the current aisle spacing plan. The generation of TRU and MLLW and the capacity required to store it might change as missions change and shipping volumes to WIPP decrease.

The information provided in Section 7.2.3, "High-Level Waste," concerning future waste generation is based on the current best available estimate. The generation of HLW and the capacity required to store it might change drastically as missions of facilities producing HLW change.

### 7.2.1 MLLW

The future generation of mixed low-level waste derived from the waste forecast is given in Table 7.4. These forecasted wastes include wastes generated by ER activities.

**Table 7.4—Future Generation of Mixed Low-Level Waste**

Units	MLLW Volume – FY02-06
Gallons	49,167
Cubic meters	186.2

Storage of the total of the forecasted waste will exceed the storage capability of the MLLW storage facilities. The excess will be stored on the TRU pads and will use some of the available interim status storage capacity of the TRU storage facilities. Storage of the wastes in the MLLW storage facilities will be within the interim status or permitted capacities.

MLLW storage Building 643-43E became operational in 4Q federal FY 95. Filter paper take-up rolls have been removed from MLLW storage Buildings 645-2N and 316-M, shredded and treated at CIF leaving storage space available in storage Building 645-2N.

Building 643-29E is currently filled due to odd-sized containers and will not accept additional containers. The storage capacity of 31,750 gallons for this building is based on 210 55-gallon drums and 30-90 ft<sup>3</sup> boxes. The 31,750-gallon capacity does not take into consideration other types of containers such as concrete culverts and specially designed boxes, stored in Building 643-29E, which currently limit the storage capability to the stored volume listed in Table 7.2.

B25 boxes and 55-gallon drums will be stored in buildings 645-2N and 643-43E. SRTC casks, ITP filters, and miscellaneous containers will be stored on vacant areas of the TRU pads. The storage capacity of the MLLW storage buildings is based on container receipts spread over the five years as indicated by the annual generation in Table 7.4.

The plan for interim MLLW storage tentatively retains MLLW on TRU pads, although some containers have been shipped offsite and plans continue for the removal of other containers.

The MLLW currently stored in tanks is shown in Table 7.3 by individual storage area. Processes for treatment of these wastes are planned for implementation and will progressively diminish the volumes of waste currently stored and generated in the future. Consequently, the inventory in the tanks will vary with time and will be the result of a balance between waste processing rate and rate of future generation of waste such that the established capacities are not exceeded.

### 7.2.2 MTRU Waste

The study completed in the beginning of federal FY 96 of stored MTRU, TRU, and MLLW waste included a detailed evaluation of containers of wastes currently stored on the TRU pads in consideration of current container storage

configurations, locations, and containers of future generated waste to be stored. In order to provide the necessary storage capability for MTRU and MLLW, including some TRU waste, a new RCRA storage area may be required to support storage of the forecasted containers through federal FY 2004. It was necessary to include TRU waste containers in the evaluation of containers stored on the TRU pads since existing and future generated drummed TRU waste and TRU waste in culverts may continue to be stored on the TRU pads for safety reasons. Storage of MLLW on the TRU pads is necessary to support storage in excess of the storage capability of the MLLW storage facilities. This may necessitate the addition of more storage area for the forecasted containers including a portion of the drums retrieved from pads 2-5. The current Aisle Spacing Plan may necessitate the construction and permitting of additional storage pads.

The interim status capacity of 4,031,000 gallons (15,257 m<sup>3</sup>) for TRU pads 1 through 19 was given in Section 7.1.2.1. The inventory of RCRA wastes stored on these pads must be subtracted from this total capacity to determine available capacity. This information, including the inventory in storage on the TRU pads as of September 30, 2000, is summarized in Table 7.5.

**Table 7.5-Available Interim Status Capacity of TRU Pads Based on 9/30/01 Inventory**

<b>Volume Category</b>	<b>Gallons (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
Total interim status capacity of TRU pads, Section 7.1.2.1	4,031,000 (15,257.3)
LESS:	1,889,930 (7,158)
Total mixed TRU and MLLW stored on TRU pads	
<b>TOTAL AVAILABLE UNUSED CAPACITY OF TRU PADS</b>	<b>2,141,070 (8,110)</b>

All non-mixed black boxes of TRU Waste stored on TRU pads were moved to a non-RCRA storage location. Also, all future generation of black boxes of TRU Waste will be located at a non-RCRA storage location.

In 1989, SRS was granted a variance from a portion of the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (SCHWMR), R.61-79.265.35 and 265.173 (c) and (d) for Pads 6-13. These sections of the regulations described the requirements for aisle spacing and labeling of container storage areas. A Conditional Variance from aisle spacing requirements of SCHWMR R.61-79.265.35 for containers stored on TRU pads 14 through 17 was granted to the SRS on June 2, 1993. The Conditional Variance was issued to SRS through December 31, 1998. A plan was submitted to SCDHEC in September 1998, to reconfigure aisle spacing on all TRU storage pads. A modification was submitted to SCDHEC September 30, 1999 and amended October 31, 2000. Approval was granted July 25, 2001. An additional modification was proposed August 17, 2001 for TRUPACT II storage. The schedule is included in Chapter 4 of Volume I.

Various waste containers including MTRU, TRU, and MLLW containers largely occupy the TRU pads. Some storage space is available on the TRU pads. Empty areas of covered pads will be reserved for storage of retrieved mixed TRU waste drums.

Drums of TRU waste will be stored in covered storage on TRU pads 3-6 and 14-19 and culverts containing TRU waste containers (>0.5 Ci each) will be stored on TRU pads 7-13. Since these TRU waste containers currently occupy TRU pad storage area, they must be considered in arriving at available storage space. Presently, culverts containing both TRU and MTRU containers are being placed on the TRU pads and new MTRU culverts are being aisle spaced as received.

Forecasted mixed TRU waste generation is given in Table 7.6.

**Table 7.6-Forecasted Generation of Mixed TRU**

<b>Units</b>	<b>TRU MW Volume – FY02-06</b>
Gallons	6,758



Cubic meters	24.6
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Storage of these containers essentially consumes the available MTRU storage space. Pads 18 and 19 are essentially filled with retrieved drums. With various non-standard MLLW containers sharing some of the TRU pad storage area, all available TRU pad storage space will be occupied. It is likely that additional storage space will be needed by the end of the five-year period.

In Table 7.5 it was noted that the available interim status storage capacity of TRU pads 1 through 19, as of September 30, 2001, was 2,141,070 gallons (8,116 m<sup>3</sup>). The available interim status storage capacity remaining after receipt of the 6,758 gallons (25.6 m<sup>3</sup>) is 2,134,312 gallons (8,090.4 m<sup>3</sup>). This available storage capacity is considered adequate to provide for storage of some of the MLLW containers on the TRU pads and unanticipated changes in forecasted future generation MTRU waste storage needs.

### 7.2.3 HLW

Forty-nine tanks in the F-Area and H-Area Tank Farms are industrial wastewater permitted. Twenty-two of these tanks are old-style (Type I, II, or IV) tanks that are in limited service. The other 27 tanks are type III/IIIA tanks that are in active service supporting the storage and processing of HLW. Four of the 27 type III/IIIA tanks are currently dedicated for the support of sludge or salt processing. Of the remaining 23 tanks, an excess storage capacity of only approximately 2,390,000 gallons (9,407 m<sup>3</sup>) (as of October 1, 2001) is available for future waste receipts.

The forecast of future HLW influents for federal FY02 through FY06 is approximately 15.6 million gallons (HLW System Plan, Rev. 12 stretch case) including 2,500,000 gallons (9,464 m<sup>3</sup>) from the F-Area and H-Area Separations process to F-Area and H-Area Tank Farms, 5,400,000 gallons (20,441 m<sup>3</sup>) of DWPF recycle, 3,600,000 gallons (13,628 m<sup>3</sup>) of ESP wash water and salt dissolution water, and 4,100,000 gallons (15,520 m<sup>3</sup>) of miscellaneous smaller streams. This forecast exceeds the currently available storage capacity of 2,390,000 gallons (9,047 m<sup>3</sup>) (as of October 1, 2001); however, HLW will continue to be evaporated and will be processed. In addition, numerous alternatives are currently being pursued to maximize the available tank space until the start of salt processing. The DWPF and Saltstone Manufacturing Facility will provide final waste treatment and storage of the HLW.

Salt Processing was suspended in January 1998 at the In-Tank Precipitation (ITP) Facility because the facility could not cost effectively meet both the safety and production requirements for the High Level Waste System. In October 2001, the DOE approved a Record of Decision (ROD) for the Savannah River Site (SRS) Salt processing Alternative Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement, identifying Caustic Side Solvent Extraction (CSSX) as the technology to be used for separation of radioactive cesium from SRS high-level waste salt. Use of current CSSX technology would potentially create an organic-bearing mixed-waste stream, in addition to the salt-bearing waste stream going to DWPF. In parallel, DOE is evaluating the implementation of other salt processing alternatives for specific waste portions that would not need to be processed in the CSSX facility. The evaluation of alternatives and potential operations would be undertaken to maintain operational capacity and flexibility in the HLW system and meet commitments for closure of high-level waste tanks. The Final Salt Processing SEIS acknowledges the possibility of offsite treatment or disposal for certain waste streams, but at this time DOE cannot be more specific about which disposal options would eventually be chosen.

Based on current projections and scheduling, the F-Area and H-Area Tank Farms will have sufficient storage capacity for future waste generation through the five-year period of federal FY 2002 through FY 2006.

## 7.3 Storage Capacity Needs

### MLLW Capacity

Table 7.7 gives the current available storage capacity for the aggregate of the MLLW facilities and the future waste generation volumes. The mixed TRU waste current available capacity and forecasted waste generation volumes are also included in the table. Since all of these storage facilities are RCRA interim status/permitted facilities and can be

used for storage of both MLLW and mixed TRU waste, Table 7.7 also includes a combined interim status/permited capacity for MLLW and mixed TRU waste storage facilities to show an overall net available storage capacity.

The volumes of forecasted future generation wastes are within the available interim status/permited capacity envelope, and additional capacity will not be needed. The available capacity is also adequate to store the anticipated small volume of residuals shipped back to SRS following treatment of SRS wastes at other DOE sites.

**Table 7.7 Overall Mixed Waste Excess Capacity Through Federal FY 2006**

<b>Waste Type</b>	<b>Available Capacity, Gallons (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Forecasted Generation FY02-FY06, Gallons (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Capacity After Five Years, Gallons (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
MLLW - Aggregate of existing facilities	2,298,962 (8,708) from Table 7.2	49,167 (186.2) from Table 7.4	2,249,795 (8,522)
Mixed TRU Waste and MLLW on TRU pads	2,141,070 (8,110) from Table 7.5	6,494 (24.6) from Table 7.6	2,134,576 (8,085)
NET AVAILABLE INTERIM STATUS/PERMITTED CAPACITY			4,384,107 (16,606)

**Table 7.7 Overall Mixed Waste Excess Capacity Through Federal FY 2006 (cont'd)**

**Waste Low-Level Waste Tank Storage**

<b>Waste Type</b>	<b>Available Capacity Gallons (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Forecasted Generation FY02-FY06, Gallons (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Capacity After Five Years Gallons (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
DWPF Organic Waste Storage Tank	0	0	0
SRTC Mixed Waste Storage Tanks	33,570 (127)	N/A <sup>(1)</sup>	N/A <sup>(1)</sup>
Liquid Waste Solvent Tanks S33-S36	80,875 (306)	0	80,875 (306)

(1) The inventory in the SRTC MWST will change with time as treatment continues. The treatment processes and future generation will be well coordinated so as to ensure that the stored volume does not exceed capacity.

## 7.4 Future Storage Capacity Needs for Offsite Waste

Relatively small volumes of offsite waste are projected to be sent to SRS. These small volumes do not currently represent a storage problem for SRS.

## 7.5 Preliminary TRU Shipping Schedule

The following data identifies the TRU shipping schedule and supports the schedule with additional clarification information and assumptions. Similar information was also provided to SCDHEC under separate letter February 28, 2000.

The site made 7 shipments in FY01. Starting in FY02, there will be 12 shipments a year for the next 13 years at which point the shipping schedule will increase to 60 shipments a year for the next 8 years and then increase again to 120 shipments a year for the next 10 years or until the inventory of TRU waste at SRS has been eliminated. Additional shipments in FY02 may be completed to allow receipt of Mound TRU waste in accordance with the October 2000 agreement between DOE and SCDHEC.

A nominal shipment includes 3 TRUPACT-II containers. Each container can hold 14 drum equivalents (2.8 cubic meters). Due to transportation limits shipping volumes may be decreased.

The shipping schedules assume that budget and are available as scheduled. The schedule also assumes that the National Program can and will continue to support the schedule as illustrated. The plan assumes that additional capability will be obtained through Technology Development advancements and through the design, permitting, construction and operation of both a low hazard TRU treatment facility and a high hazard TRU treatment facility as discussed in the STP.

The waste volumes indicated are subject to change if the site receives additional missions or if the site is directed to begin D&D of its plutonium facilities. These waste forecasts and their impacts are not included in this plan. Additionally, it should be noted that as waste is further characterized to go to WIPP some waste may be reclassified as low level waste or low level mixed waste or non-mixed TRU. The SRS TRU program is comprehensive in that it covers all currently identified TRU waste regardless of its RCRA determination. The end objective is that all mixed and non-mixed TRU waste be properly disposed of in a timely manner.

The shipping schedule reflects our strategic plan with the characterization currently available. As such, the first several waste streams identified to be shipped to WIPP include primarily drummed Pu-239 waste, both mixed and non-mixed. These campaigns will be followed by non-mixed poly-boxes and standard waste boxes. When the low hazard facility becomes available, additional drummed waste, both mixed and non-mixed can be shipped. The plan also assumes that some of the waste forecasted to be received from the generators will be packaged in such a manner that

it can be shipped directly to WIPP with minimal processing. After the high hazard facility becomes available, the site will have the capability to process higher activity drums, and the non-drummed waste.

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## **Chapter 8. Disposal in Support of the Site Treatment Plan Discussions**

This section discusses the overall Department of Energy (DOE) strategy for the disposal of residuals from the treatment of mixed low-level waste (MLLW) subject to the Federal Facility Compliance Act (FFAct). The viable options for the disposal of treatment residuals are provided in this section

### **8.1 Background**

The FFCAct does not impose a requirement for the disposal of mixed wastes after treatment. However, DOE recognizes the need to address this final phase of mixed waste management. Sites identified for mixed waste disposal follow state and federal regulations for siting and permitting and include appropriate public involvement.

Options for disposal of high-level and mixed transuranic wastes are not identified because there are established processes for studying, designing, constructing, and operating disposal facilities for these wastes.

DOE has historically planned to develop MLLW disposal facilities at the six DOE sites currently disposing of low-level waste. These sites are Hanford, Savannah River, Oak Ridge Reservation, Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, Nevada Test Site, and Los Alamos National Laboratory. Of these six sites, only two have been developed and are recognized as complex-wide MLLW disposal sites by the final Waste Management Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) Record of Decision (ROD). These sites are Hanford and Nevada Test Site. Along with the two DOE sites, one commercial site, Envirocare of Utah, was developed to dispose of treatment residues.

DOE may initiate site-specific National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) evaluations for the proposed disposal facilities and initiate performance assessment analyses for compliance with DOE Order 435.1.

### **8.2 Current Status of Disposal Sites**

#### **8.2.1 Hanford Site**

The Hanford Site currently accepts onsite generated mixed wastes that meet Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR). Hanford does not accept offsite treated mixed waste. The disposal facility consists of two double-lined RCRA Subtitle C land disposal units with leachate collection. Each trench has a capacity of approximately 21,000 cubic meters. Additional capacity may be available in the future.

Before accepting offsite treated mixed waste for disposal, the Hanford site must complete a lower tier EIS. The resulting ROD of their EIS is necessary to support disposal of offsite waste. Completion date for the lower tier EIS is expected by September 2002.

#### **8.2.2 Nevada Test Site**

The Nevada Test Site accepts treated mixed waste residues of DOE/NV waste generated in Nevada. Offsite and out-of-state generated mixed waste is not accepted. The disposal facility is an unlined pit located at Area 5. The disposal facility operated under RCRA interim status.

The NTS Part B Permit Application must be revised and approved by the State of Nevada prior to accepting offsite or out-of-state mixed waste for disposal. The revision must include a justification for an alternative liner and a RCRA compliant verification program. The projected start date for accepting offsite mixed waste is about May 2002.

### 8.2.3 Envirocare of Utah

Envirocare of Utah accepts treated mixed waste residues for Subtitle C disposal. The Utah State Division of Radiation Control and the Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste jointly permit this disposal facility.

Some SRS wastes or residues from the treatment of SRS wastes may be sent to Envirocare for disposal, if they meet Class A limits.

## Chapter 9. Treatment Facilities and Treatment Technologies

This chapter discusses the existing treatment facilities at SRS, the treatment process descriptions, and the planned and proposed facilities that are being considered in the options analysis for the generation of treatment options for the waste streams in the STP.

### 9.1 Existing Facility Descriptions

This section describes existing SRS treatment facilities considered in the options analysis. The facilities discussed include:

- 9.1.1 F- and H-Area Effluent Treatment Facility (F/H ETF)
- 9.1.2 Savannah River Technology Center Ion Exchange Treatment Probes for Low- and High-Activity Waste Streams
- 9.1.3 (Reserved)
- 9.1.4 Saltstone Facility (Z-Area)
- 9.1.5 Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF)
- 9.1.6 Visual Examination (VE) Facility/Mixed Waste Processing Facility (MWPF)
- 9.1.7 Mobile Vendor

#### 9.1.1 F- and H-Area Effluent Treatment Facility (F/H ETF)

F/H ETF is a multi-purpose plant for treating highly dilute aqueous wastes. Waste arrives at F/H ETF by pipeline. A station has also been provided to unload liquid waste for treatment in F/H ETF. The treatment option of interest for treating mixed waste streams is the ion exchange process. However, other treatment components in F/H ETF, carbon adsorption and reverse osmosis, may also be of benefit in treating mixed waste streams.

##### Facility Description

A treatability study determines the compatibility of the constituents of concern in the waste with the ion exchange resin that will be used for adsorption. The waste is pumped from the feed tank to the ion exchange beds. The constituents of concern are bound so tightly to the ion exchange resins that studies indicate the resin will pass TCLP, so the spent resin also becomes a non-hazardous low-level waste. Decontaminated liquid effluent is collected in check tanks for analysis, which confirms the liquid meets release specifications. Liquid that meets specifications is released to a surface outfall. In the unlikely event that the treated effluent fails to meet release specification, it can easily be recycled to the feed system for reprocessing. Nothing is released from F/H ETF without passing a final assay.

##### Capacity

Demonstrated maximum throughput of F/H ETF is about 130 gallons per minute (gpm). At present F/H ETF is processing about 40-50 gpm average. Acceptance of waste streams at F/H ETF must be on a case-by-case basis, depending on the quantity of waste and concentration of the constituent of concern.

#### 9.1.2 Savannah River Technology Center Ion Exchange Treatment Probes for Low- and High-Activity Waste Streams

Savannah River Technology Center (SRTC) ion exchange treatment probes treat wastes that are captured in laboratory waste storage tanks located in the laboratory complex.



## **Facility Description**

The treatment probes remove chromium (III), lead, mercury, and benzene from low-activity and high- activity mixed waste. The entire probe, developed by SRTC, is placed in the waste tank, and the waste solution is pumped through it. The probes contain ion exchange resins that adsorb the constituents of concern.

After the probes remove the hazardous characteristics, the decontaminated solution is sent to another low-level waste treatment facility for volume reduction and disposal as a low-level waste. The constituents of concern are bound so tightly to the resins that studies indicate the resin will pass a toxicity characteristic leaching procedure (TCLP) so the spent resin also becomes a non-hazardous low-level waste.

## **Capacity**

The RCRA Part A revision, under which the probes operate, limits the throughput of the mixed waste storage tank treatment process (both low-activity and high-activity waste streams) to 457,229 gallons per year. The treatment capacity of the probes in low-level waste service is 396,300 gallons per year.

### **9.1.3 (Reserved)**

### **9.1.4 Saltstone Facility (Z-Area)**

## **Facility Description**

The Z-Area Saltstone Facility immobilizes and disposes of decontaminated salt solution wastes from H-Area Waste Tank 50 by mixing it with a dry material mixture consisting of cement, slag, and flyash to form a grout. The resulting grout is disposed of by transferring it to an engineered concrete vault where it is allowed to harden. After the curing process is complete, the waste form is classified as low-level waste.

Saltstone is permitted by SCDHEC as an Industrial Waste Landfill that is to be used only for the disposal of non-hazardous low-level solid waste (saltstone). Once formed into saltstone, the radionuclides and the toxic chemicals in the salt solution are immobilized and isolated from the environment by the stability of the material and the design of the vaults.

## **Capacity**

The instantaneous capacity of the facility is 105 gallons per minute, with a yearly maximum of 15 million gallons. These limits are found in the wastewater treatment permit for the mixing plant.

### **9.1.5 Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF)**

DWPF is currently receiving high-level sludge waste from the tank farms. This waste includes liquids, sludge, and precipitated materials in a slurry from reprocessing spent nuclear fuel and plutonium targets. DWPF is not receiving salt waste at this time because work on salt processing was suspended in January 1998 due to technical issues with the In-Tank Precipitation (ITP) Facility in January 1998. In October 2001, the DOE approved a Record of Decision (ROD) for the Savannah River Site (SRS) Salt processing Alternative Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement, identifying Caustic Side Solvent Extraction as the technology to be used for separation of radioactive cesium from SRS high-level waste salt. Use of current CSSX technology would potentially create an organic-bearing mixed-waste stream, in addition to the salt-bearing waste stream going to DWPF. In parallel, DOE is evaluating the implementation of other salt processing alternatives for specific waste portions that would not need to be processed in the CSSX facility. The evaluation of alternatives and potential operations would be undertaken to maintain operational capacity and flexibility in the HLW system and meet commitments for closure of high-level waste tanks. The Final Salt Processing SEIS acknowledges the

possibility of offsite treatment or disposal for certain waste streams, but at this time DOE cannot be more specific about which disposal options would eventually be chosen.

## **Facility Description**

A chemical process treats the high-level radioactive aqueous stream and sludge to remove mercury, mixes the streams with additives and glass-forming materials, and continuously feeds a high-temperature melter in which the materials are vitrified into borosilicate glass.

## **Capacity**

Actual capacity will be significantly impacted by required outages for melter replacement and control system upgrades. SRS HLW will be treated in accordance with the treatment schedule identified in Chapter 5 of Volume I of the SRS Approved Site Treatment Plan, 2001 Annual Update.

### **9.1.6 Visual Examination (VE) Facility/Mixed Waste Processing Facility (MWPF)**

The Visual Examination (VE) Facility has been merged to include the TRU and MW sorting activities into one facility. The VE Facility is a stainless steel, radioactive containment building consisting of two airlocks, secondary and tertiary confinement rooms, a glovebox to provide primary confinement, and a ventilation system.

The VE Facility, which began operations during 4QFY00, provides capabilities to visually confirm the physical characteristics of the TRU waste as compared with the radiography results, sort, and repackage >100 nCi/g and 10-100 nCi/g mixed and non-mixed TRU wastes. The waste types include job control waste, process equipment, and miscellaneous debris from production, D&D, and ER activities.

The Mixed Waste Processing Facility (MWPF) portion of this facility is a similar activity for non-TRU mixed wastes. The containers are opened, the contents sorted into like categories to meet treatability groups, the waste sampled and analyzed to confirm radioactive characterization, and the waste repackaged. The mixed waste side of the building is scheduled to be completed by 3QFY02.

### **9.1.7 Mobile Vendor**

SRS began utilizing a Mobile Vendor to augment current inspection/characterization capability and to increase the TRU Waste shipped from SRS to WIPP. The Mobile Vendor mobilized to SRS 2QFY01 and began characterization operations in 4QFY01. The Mobile Vendor will process and ship waste from SRS to WIPP through FY02. The Mobile Vendor provides this additional characterization and shipping capability through the use of three mobile systems. The first is a real time radiography trailer that is used to x-ray TRU drums to determine drum contents and waste attributes. Following x-ray the drums are processed through the non-destructive assay trailer. This system uses an integrated gamma and imaging passive/active neutron/gamma energy analysis (IPAN/GEA) mobile waste assay trailer. The IPAN/GEA provides information to determine the isotopic composition of each TRU waste drum. After assay the drums are placed into heated storage containers for 72 hours prior to head space gas sampling. The third mobile system is the drum headspace gas sampling system. This system utilizes a gas chromatograph (GC) and mass spectrometer (MS) to analyze the constituents of the TRU drum headspace gases.

## **9.2 Process Descriptions**

This section contains descriptions of the treatment technologies considered in the options analysis. These processes are commercially available for onsite or offsite use and include the following:

- 9.2.1 Amalgamation
- 9.2.2 Combustion
- 9.2.3 Filtration
- 9.2.4 Immobilization
- 9.2.5 Ion Exchange
- 9.2.6 Macroencapsulation

- 9.2.7 Decontamination of Lead
- 9.2.8 Neutralization
- 9.2.9 Precipitation
- 9.2.10 Pretreatment Process
- 9.2.11 Roasting/Retorting
- 9.2.12 Stabilization
- 9.2.13 Vitrification

## 9.2.1 Amalgamation

Amalgamation is a process applicable to waste liquid, elemental mercury contaminated with radioactive materials. Mercury is combined with inorganic reagents such as copper, zinc, nickel, gold, or sulfur that results in a non-liquid semi-solid amalgam, which is more easily managed and less mobile.

## 9.2.2 Combustion

Combustion is incinerators, boilers, or industrial furnaces operated in accordance with the applicable requirements of Part 264 of SCHWMR, Subpart O, or Part 266 SCHWMR, Subpart H.

## 9.2.3 Filtration

Filtration is removal/separation of particles from a mixture of fluid and particles by a medium that permits the flow of the fluid but retains the particles. Usually, the larger the particles, the easier they are to remove from the fluid. Chemicals called flocculents may be mixed with the fluids to increase the size of the particles and make it easier to separate particles from the fluid.

## 9.2.4 Immobilization

Immobilization is treatment of waste through macroencapsulation, microencapsulation, or sealing to reduce surface exposure to potential leaching media or to reduce the leachability of the hazardous constituents.

## 9.2.5 Ion Exchange

Ion exchange uses a resin to replace certain specific ions in a solution with other ions that are innocuous. Ion exchange is used to separate a mixed waste into its radioactive and hazardous constituents if the components are ionic. It will also concentrate the radioactive ionic species into a small volume on an organic polymec (ion exchange resin), leaving a less radioactive aqueous phase. The principal mixed waste application of this process is to recover metallic radionuclides from wastewaters or acid leach liquids.

## 9.2.6 Macroencapsulation

One type of macroencapsulation is immobilization by application of surface coating materials such as polymeric organics (e.g., resins and plastics) or a jacket of inert inorganic materials to substantially reduce surface exposure to potential leaching media. Another type of macroencapsulation is immobilization by enclosing the waste in a specially designed container that substantially reduces surface exposure to potentially leaching media.

## 9.2.7 Decontamination of Lead

Elemental lead waste can be decontaminated by immersion in an acid bath. The acid dissolves the surface of the lead, which has been contaminated with radionuclides. The decontaminated lead can then be washed and reused. The acid solution is neutralized and the dissolved lead is precipitated. The precipitate is removed and stabilized for disposal. The neutralized solution can be further treated for reuse or recycle. Other methods of lead

decontamination may involve scouring the lead surface with an abrasive or simply slicing away the contaminated surface layer.

### 9.2.8 Neutralization

Neutralization uses these chemicals alone or in combination; acids, bases, or water (including wastewaters) resulting in a pH greater than 2 but less than 12.5 as measured in the aqueous residuals.

### 9.2.9 Precipitation

Precipitation removes metals and other inorganics by forming insoluble compounds of oxides, hydrides, carbonates, sulfides, sulfates, chlorides, fluorides, or phosphates. These precipitants are typically used alone or in combination: lime (i.e., containing oxides and/or hydroxides of calcium and/or magnesium); caustic (i.e., sodium and/or potassium hydroxides); soda ash (i.e., sodium carbonate); sodium sulfide; ferric sulfate or ferric chloride; alum; or sodium sulfate. Additional chemicals for flocculating and coagulating precipitates to enhance sludge dewatering may also be used.

### 9.2.10 Pretreatment Process

Processes (e.g., shredding, grinding, physical separation, repackaging, volume, reduction, etc.) that make the waste amenable to the treatment process that ultimately destroys, removes, or immobilizes the hazardous contaminants or characteristics.

### 9.2.11 Roasting/Retorting

Roasting and retorting mercury from radioactive contaminated process equipment has two major components as explained below.

#### **Mercury Oven (Roaster)**

The mercury oven is electrically heated to approximately 400°C with a mechanical vacuum pump providing the required vacuum or negative pressure. At this temperature, elemental mercury is vaporized and driven into the offgas stream of the roaster.

#### **Condenser/Decanter (Retort)**

The condenser is connected to the offgas system from the oven to condense the mercury vapor and vaporized organic compounds. The mercury is drawn off the bottom of the condenser receiver. Liquid organics are

decanted at the supernatant interface. The gas coming out of the condenser may be exhausted through the offgas system or receive further treatment.

### 9.2.12 Stabilization

Stabilization comprises treatment processes that immobilize hazardous constituents in a waste. For treatment of metals in mixed low-level wastes, stabilization technologies will reduce the leachability of the hazardous metal constituents (regardless of whether the metals are radioactive) in nonwastewater matrices. Stabilization usually involves the use of Portland® cement, lime pozzolans, iron salts, silicates or clays as treatment reagents.

### 9.2.13 Vitrification

Vitrification is a waste treatment process in which waste is mixed with glass and fused into a solid mass. The resultant mass is expected to remain a stable and insoluble form for long time periods. (Vitrification with borosilicate glass is the specified LDR treatment standard for HLW and certain mixed waste streams.)

## **9.3 Planned/Proposed Facilities**

This section contains descriptions of planned or proposed facilities considered in the options analysis.

### **9.3.1 Low-Activity MTRU Waste Facility**

The Low-Activity MTRU Waste Facility is a proposed hazard Category 3 facility that will provide capabilities to open, sort, and repackage >100 nCi/g and 10-100 nCi/g mixed and non-mixed wastes. The waste types include job control waste (wipes, shoe covers, etc.), process equipment (gloveboxes, pumps, HEPA filters, etc.), and miscellaneous debris (concrete, metal, etc.) from production, D&D, and ER activities.

#### **Facility Description**

The Low-Activity MTRU Waste Facility will process wastes contaminated with alpha-emitting transuranic radionuclides (half-lives greater than 20 years and an atomic number above 92) utilizing the Handling and Segregating System for 55 gallon drums (HANDSS-55) technology to prepare for final disposal. This facility will sort and repackage drummed wastes. Resultant drums compliant with the WIPP WAC will be shipped to WIPP.

### **9.3.2 High-Activity MTRU Waste Facility**

The High-Activity MTRU Waste Facility is a proposed hazard Category 3, line-item facility that will provide capabilities to treat greater than 100 nCi/g alpha contaminated mixed and non mixed wastes. The High-Activity MTRU Waste Facility is in the pre-conceptual phase of development and is unfunded.

#### **Facility Description**

The High-Activity MTRU Waste Facility will remotely process solid, liquids, sludge, and soil wastes contaminated with alpha-emitting transuranic radionuclides (half-lives greater than 20 years and an atomic number above 92) for disposal. The High-Activity MTRU Waste Facility will receive wastes from the TRU storage pads and wastes rejected from the Low-Activity MTRU Waste Facility. Removal from packaging, sorting, characterization, treatment, size reduction, final packaging and certification will be in the facility scope. After certification, these waste forms will be sent for final disposal to a RCRA disposal facility, a LLW Disposal Facility, or the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP).

## Chapter 10. Offsite Waste Streams for which SRS is the PREFERRED OPTION

Naval Reactors (NR) had selected the SRS Consolidated Incineration Facility (CIF) as a preferred option in the Naval Reactors Program STPs. The waste will now be sent offsite to a commercial vendor, unless sent to other facilities for treatment.

Shipment has been received for Charleston Naval Shipyard waste by SRS, and the waste is currently in RCRA regulated storage. Bettis waste was shipped to SRS March 1999.

SRS will treat Naval Reactor's program upon SCDHEC approval (see also October 17, 1997, letter to SCDHEC).

Other waste described below includes future MTRU waste shipments from DOE's Mound Site (see Vol. I, Sec. 4.2.2).

**Table 10.1 Offsite Waste Streams**

Waste Stream No.	Site	Waste Stream	SRS Treatment Facility	Current Cumulative Inventory through 9/30/01 (m <sup>3</sup> )	Future Forecast Generation (2002-2006) (m <sup>3</sup> )
SR-W080	Charleston Naval Shipyard (CN-W001, CN-W004)	Solids containing Potassium Chromate; Organic Debris containing Lead and/or Chromium	Offsite Commercial Vendor	1.8*	0**
SR-W087	Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory Contaminated Oil (BT-W035, part of BT-W003)	Oil containing uranium, cadmium, and lead	Offsite Commercial Vendor	0.2	0
SR-W089	Mound	TRU Mixed Waste	TRU Facilities (prepare for shipment to WIPP)	0	287

\* Cumulative inventory through 9/30/01

\*\* No future mixed waste will be generated from the Charleston Naval Shipyard since that facility was closed in April 1996.

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## Chapter 11. Volume Summary Information

This chapter includes volume and treatment residue summaries for the waste streams listed in the STP. Table 11.1 lists the volume summary of each waste stream by its unique waste stream number. Table 11.2 lists the volume summary for each waste stream by treatment facility. Volume summaries include inventories as of September 30, 2001. Table 11.3 show the volume and status of mixed treatment residues for those waste streams that have been treated and the residues must continue to be managed as a mixed waste. The following waste streams have undergone treatment at the M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility: SR-W005, Mark 15 Filtercake; SR-W029, M-Area Sludge Treatability Samples; SR-W031, Uranium/Chromium Solution; SR-W037, M-Area Plating Line Solution; SR-W038, Plating Line Sump Material; SR-W039, Nickel Plating Line Solution; SR-W048, Soils from Spill Remediation; and SR-W082, Radioactive Chemicals, Metals, and Pesticides (CMP) Soils.

**Table 11.1 Volume Summary by Waste Stream Number**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m<sup>3</sup>) 2002-2006</b>	<b>Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
SR-W001	Rad-Contaminated Solvents	Combustion at commercial facility	30.5	2.8	33.3
SR-W002	Rad-Contaminated Chlorofluorocarbons	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A *	N/A *	N/A *
SR-W003	Solvent Contaminated Debris (LLW)	Combustion at commercial facility or macroencapsulation or stabilization at commercial facility	44.5	21.7	66.2
SR-W004	M-Area Plating Line Sludge from Supernate Treatment	Consolidated with SR-W037	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W005	Mark 15 Filtercake	Stabilization by Vitrification-M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	0	0	0
SR-W006	CH Mixed TRU/Liquids	Characterization at SRS-WIPP Disposal	0.1	0	0.1
SR-W007	SRL (SRTC) Low Activity Waste	SRTC Ion Exchange	6.8*	375*	381.8*
SR-W008	SRL (SRTC) High Activity Waste	SRTC Ion Exchange	64.0*	375*	439*
SR-W009	Silver Coated Packing Material	Macroencapsulation in a Steel Container – Onsite	6.0*	0*	6.0*
SR-W010	Scintillation Solution	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W011	Cadmium Coated HEPA Filters	Scrap Metal Exclusion	0	0	0
SR-W012	Toxic Characteristic Solids	Combustion macroencapsulation or stabilization at commercial facility	19.8	43.7	63.5



SR-W013	Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead-to be Decontaminated Onsite	Managed as useable material	N/A	N/A	N/A
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**Table 11.1 Volume Summary by Waste Stream Number (con't)**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m<sup>3</sup>) 2002-2006</b>	<b>Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
SR-W014	Tritium Contaminated Mercury	Amalgamation–Offsite DOE Complex-wide Broad Spectrum Vendor	4.4	1.0	5.4
SR-W015	Tritium Contaminated Equipment	Macroencapsulation in S. S. Container as 90- Day Generator	14.1	17.9	32.0
SR-W016	221-F Canyon High- Level Liquid Waste	Stabilization by Vitrification-DWPF	56,959*	6,484*	63,443*
SR-W017	221-H Canyon High- Level Liquid Waste	Stabilization by Vitrification–DWPF	89,101*	6,847*	95,948*
SR-W018	Listed Incinerable Solids	Combustion at commercial facility or macroencapsulation or stabilization at commercial facility	12.1	0	12.1
SR-W019	244-H RBOF High Activity Liquid Waste	Consolidated with SR-W017	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W020	Salt Processing Filters	Acid Washing followed by Placement in an Engineered S. S. Container	0	0	0
SR-W021	Poisoned Catalyst Material	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W022	DWPF Benzene	Combustion at commercial facility	0	0	0
SR-W023	Cadmium Safety/Control Rods	Macroencapsulation in a cask, as a 90-day generator	3.5*	0	3.5*
SR-W024	Mercury/Tritium Gold Traps	Meets LDR Treatment Standard	3.8	0	3.8
SR-W025	Solvent /TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g	Characterization at SRS- WIPP Disposal	3560	0	3560
SR-W026	CH Mixed TRU/Thirds	Characterization at SRS- WIPP Disposal	154.4	24.6	179
SR-W027	CH Mixed TRU/F-listed Solvents	Characterization at SRS- WIPP Disposal	3355	0	3355

SR-W028	Mark 15 Filter Paper	Combustion at commercial facility or macroencapsulation or stabilization at commercial facility	0	0	0
SR-W029	M-Area Sludge Treatability Samples	Stabilization by Vitrification M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	0	0	0
SR-W030	Spent Methanol Solution	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	N/A	N/A

**Table 11.1 Volume Summary by Waste Stream Number (con't)**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m<sup>3</sup>) 2002-2006</b>	<b>Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
SR-W031	Uranium/Chromium Solution	Stabilization by Vitrification M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	0	0	0
SR-W032A	Mercury Contaminated Heavy Water	Waste Stream Eliminated	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W032B	Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water Residues	Solidification in container as a 90-day generator	0	0	0
SR-W033	Thirds/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g	Characterization at SRS-WIPP Disposal	9.0	0	9.0
SR-W034	Calcium Metal	Future Generation – Treatment to be Determined	0	0.6	0.6
SR-W035	Mixed Waste Oil–Sitewide	Combustion at commercial facility	8.6	0	8.6
SR-W036	Tritiated Oil with Mercury	Treatment by aging followed by Combustion	30.5	0	30.5
SR-W037	M-Area Plating Line Sludges	Stabilization by Vitrification M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	0	0	0
SR-W038	Plating Line Sump Material	Stabilization by Vitrification M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	0	0	0
SR-W039	Nickel Plating Line Solution	Stabilization by Vitrification M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	0	0	0
SR-W040	Listed Stabilized Sludge/Listed LDR-Compliant Debris	Waste Stream Treated in Compliance with LDR	910.2	0	910.2

SR-W041	Aqueous Mercury and Lead	Effluent Treatment Facility	0.6	0	0.6
SR-W042	Paints and Thinners	Combustion at commercial facility or macroencapsulation or stabilization at commercial facility	0.6	0	0.6
SR-W043	Lab Waste w/Tetraphenyl Borate	Consolidated with SR-W012	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W044	Tri-Butyl-Phosphate & n-Paraffin – TRU	Consolidated with SR-W045	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W045A	PUREX Aqueous Waste	Stabilization in Z-Area	45.4	0*	45.4
SR-W045B	PUREX Organic Waste	Direct Stabilization using New technology	102.6	0	102.6
SR-W046	Consolidated Incineration Facility Ash	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W047	Consolidated Incineration Facility Blowdown	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	N/A	N/A

**Table 11.1 Volume Summary by Waste Stream Number (con't)**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m<sup>3</sup>) 2002-2006</b>	<b>Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
SR-W048	Soils from Spill Remediation	Stabilization by Vendor (to be determined)	1.4	3.9	5.3
SR-W049	Tank E-3-1 Clean Out Material	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W050	Mixed Waste to Support High-Level Waste (HLW) Processing Demonstrations	Treatment by SRTC as a 90-Day Generator	0.2	1.0	1.2
SR-W051	Spent Filter Cartridges and Carbon Filter Media	Combustion at commercial facility or macroencapsulation or stabilization at commercial facility	122.2	0	122.2
SR-W052	Cadmium Contaminated Glovebox Section	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W053	Rocky Flats Ash	Characterization at SRS–Ship to WIPP	0.1	0	0.1
SR-W054	Enriched Uranium Contaminated with Lead	Consolidated with SR-W037	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W055	Job Control Waste Containing Solvent Contaminated Wipes	Combustion at commercial facility or macroencapsulation or stabilization at commercial facility	282.5	0.1	282.6

SR-W056	Job Control Waste with Enriched Uranium and Solvent Contaminated Wipes	Waste stream re-characterized	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W057	D-Tested Neutron Generators	Waste stream eliminated	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W058	Mixed Sludge Waste with Mercury from DWPF Treatability Studies	Treatment by SRTC as a 90-Day Generator	0	0	0
SR-W059	Tetrabutyl Titanate (TBT)	Consolidated with SR-W001	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W060	Tritiated Water with Mercury	Macroencapsulation in a Steel Container via a Treatability Variance	0.1*	0	0.1*
SR-W061	DWPF Mercury	Consolidated with SR-W068	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W062	Normal Low-Level Contaminated Debris	Macroencapsulation by a Vendor at an Offsite Facility	157.3	69.3	226.6
SR-W063	Macroencapsulated Low-Level Waste	Meets Treatment Standard	0.2	0	0.2
SR-W064	IDW Soils/Sludges/Slurries	Awaiting ROD, etc.			
SR-W065	IDW Monitoring Well Purge/Development Water	Awaiting ROD, etc.			

**Table 11.1 Volume Summary by Waste Stream Number (con't)**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m<sup>3</sup>) 2002-2006</b>	<b>Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
SR-W066	IDW Debris	Awaiting ROD, etc.			
SR-W067	IDW Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Waste	Awaiting ROD, etc.			
SR-W068	Elemental (Liquid) Mercury–Sitewide	Amalgamation–Offsite DOE Complex-wide Broad Spectrum Vendor	0.3	0.4	0.7
SR-W069	Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead–to be Macroencapsulated Offsite	Macroencapsulation by a Vendor at an Offsite Facility	219.2	5.0	224.2
SR-W070	Mixed Waste from Laboratory Samples	Combustion at commercial facility or macroencapsulation or stabilization at commercial facility	18.5	7.8	26.3

SR-W071	Wastewater Suitable for thermal treatment or stabilization	Combustion at commercial facility	0.6	1.2	1.8
SR-W072	Supernate or Sludge Contaminated Debris from High-Level Waste (HLW) Operations	Extraction or Immobilization Alternative Debris Technologies as 90-day Generator	0	0	0
SR-W073	Cadmium-Containing Raschig Rings	Macroencapsulation – Onsite	1.8	0	1.8
SR-W077	Aqueous Characteristic Wastewater	Ion Exchange, Filtration, and/or Stabilization at F/H ETF, Saltstone, D-area, or vendor or combustion at commercial facility	1.4	7.9	9.3
SR-W078	LDR Hazardous Waste Awaiting Radiological Screening	Awaiting Characterization	10	0	10
SR-W079	Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Mixed Waste	Combustion in the TSCA Incinerator at ETP	3.4	18.5	21.9
SR-W080	Charleston Naval Shipyard Waste (CN-W001, CN-W004)	Combustion at commercial facility or macroencapsulation or stabilization at commercial facility	1.8	0	1.8
SR-W081	Reactive and Ignitable Mixed Waste	Deactivation followed by combustion at commercial facility	0.2	0	0.2
SR-W082	Radioactive Chemicals, Metals, and Pesticides (CMP) Soil	Stabilization by Vendor (to be determined)	2.5	0	2.5
SR-W083	Mercury- and Chromium- Contaminated Residues	Waste Stream Eliminated	N/A	N/A	N/A

**Table 11.1 Volume Summary by Waste Stream Number (con't)**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Preferred Option (PO)</b>	<b>Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m<sup>3</sup>) 2002-2006</b>	<b>Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
SR-W084	Remediation Waste Soils that Meet LDR	Meets Treatment Standard	0	0	0
SR-W085	Rocky Flats Plutonium Fluoride Residues	Future Generation – Treatment to be Determined	0	0	0

SR-W086	Characteristically Hazardous Non-Incinerable Solids	Roasting/retorting followed by Amalgamation–Offsite DOE Complex-wide Broad Spectrum Vendor	0.4	0	0.4
SR-W087	Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory Contaminated Oil (BT-W035, part of BT-W003)	Combustion at commercial facility or macroencapsulation or stabilization at commercial facility	0.2	0	0.2
SR-W088	Aqueous Halogenated Salts	Treatment Option to Be Determined	19.8	0	19.8
SR-W089	TRU Waste From Mound	Treatment Option to be Determined	0	287	287
<b>TOTALS</b>			155,290.6	14,595.4	169,886.0

**NOTES:**

The volumes may not represent actual volumes of mixed waste stored at SRS as of the date of the annual update. The volume of wastes stored in tanks or certain special containers marked with an asterisk (\*) is reported as net. Volume of wastes stored in other containers such as boxes or drums is reported as gross. Volumes have been updated from those volumes reported in the 2001 STP update due to waste treatment progress, waste generation, changes in volume of waste streams based on further characterization, reassignment of some stream volumes to different stream numbers, and inventory adjustments.

Waste streams with 0 volumes have been treated or otherwise managed in accordance with RCRA regulations, or are future waste streams.

Waste streams with N/A in the volume columns have had their waste volume incorporated into other waste streams or, if they have been re-characterized, are no longer a part of the STP.

**Table 11.2 Volume Summary by Treatment Facility**

Waste Stream No.	Waste Stream Name	Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m <sup>3</sup> )	Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m <sup>3</sup> ) 2002-2006	Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m <sup>3</sup> )
<b>Commercial Vendor Treatment</b>				
<u>Treatment Standard – Thermal treatment</u>				
SR-W001	Rad-Contaminated Solvents	30.5	2.8	33.3
SR-W003	Solvent Contaminated Debris (LLW)	44.5	21.7	66.2
SR-W012	Toxic Characteristic Solids	19.8	43.7	63.5
SR-W018	Listed Incinerable Solids	12.1	0	12.1
SR-W022	DWPF Benzene	0	0	0
SR-W028	Mark 15 Filter Paper	0	0	0
SR-W035	Mixed Waste Oil–Sitewide	8.6	0	8.6
SR-W042	Paints and Thinners	0.6	0	0.6
SR-W051	Spent Filter Cartridges and Carbon Filter Media	122.2	0	122.2
SR-W055	Job Control Waste Containing Solvent Contaminated Wipes	282.5	0.1	282.6
SR-W070	Mixed Waste from Laboratory Samples	18.5	7.8	26.3
SR-W071	Wastewater Suitable for Thermal Treatment or Stabilization	0.6	1.2	1.8
SR-W080	Charleston Naval Shipyard (CN-W001, CN-W004)	1.8	0	1.8
SR-W081	Reactive/Ignitable Waste	0.2	0	0.2
SR-W087	Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory Contaminated Oil (BT-W035, part of BT-W003)	0.2	0	0.2
<u>Ashcrete Stabilization</u>				
SR-W046	Consolidated Incineration Facility Ash	N/A*	N/A	N/A
SR-W047	Consolidated Incineration Facility Blowdown	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Subtotal	542.1	77.3	619.4
<b>Effluent Treatment Facility-Wastewater Treatment</b>				
SR-W041	Aqueous Mercury and Lead	0.6	0	0.6
SR-W077	Aqueous Characteristic Wastewater	1.4	7.9	9.3
	Subtotal	2.0	7.9	9.9
<b>Stabilization in Saltstone</b>				
SR-W045A	PUREX Aqueous Waste	45.4	0	45.4
<b>Commercial Stabilization Technology Development</b>				

SR-W045B	PUREX Organic Waste	102.6	0	102.6
<b>SRTC Low Activity Waste Storage Tanks–Ion Exchange</b>				
SR-W007	SRL (SRTC) Low Activity Waste	6.8	375	381.8
<b>SRTC High Activity Waste Storage Tanks–Ion Exchange</b>				
SR-W008	SRL (SRTC) High Activity Waste	64	375	439



**Table 11.2 Volume Summary by Treatment Facility (con't)**

Waste Stream No.	Waste Stream Name	Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m <sup>3</sup> )	Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m <sup>3</sup> ) 2002-2006	Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m <sup>3</sup> )
<b>High-Level Waste ITP Facility</b>				
SR-W020	Salt Processing Filters	0	0	0
<b>D-Area Heavy Water Operations Facility</b>				
SR-W032A	Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W032B	Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water Residues	0	0	0
	Subtotal	0	0	0
<b>Defense Waste Processing Facility</b>				
SR-W016	221-F Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste	56,959*	6,484*	63,443*
SR-W017	221-H Canyon High-Level Liquid Waste	89,101*	6,847*	95,948*
	Subtotal	146,060*	13,331*	159,391*
<b>Meet Treatment Standards</b>				
SR-W024	Tritium Gold Traps	3.8	0	3.8
SR-W040	Stabilized Sludge/LDR-Compliant Debris	910.2	0	910.2
SR-W063	Macroencapsulated Low-Level Waste	0.2	0	0.2
SR-W084	Remediation Waste Soils that Meet LDR	0	0	0
	Subtotal	914.2	0	914.2
<b>Macroencapsulation as a 90-Day Generator</b>				
SR-W015	Tritium Contaminated Equipment	14.1	17.9	32
SR-W023	Cadmium Safety/Control Rods	3.5	0	3.5
SR-W072	Supernate or Sludge Contaminated Debris from High-Level Waste (HLW) Operations	0	0	0
	Subtotal	17.6	17.9	35.5
<b>M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility</b>				
SR-W005	Mark 15 Filtercake	0	0	0
SR-W029	M-Area Sludge Treatability Samples	0	0	0
SR-W031	Uranium/Chromium Solution	0	0	0
SR-W037	M-Area Plating Line Sludge	0	0	0
SR-W038	Plating Line Sump Material	0	0	0
	Subtotal	0	0	0

**Table 11.2 Volume Summary by Treatment Facility (con't)**

Waste Stream No.	Waste Stream Name	Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m <sup>3</sup> )	Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m <sup>3</sup> ) 2002-2006	Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m <sup>3</sup> )
<b>SRS (Facility TBD)–Macroencapsulation</b>				
SR-W009	Silver Coated Packing Material	6.0	0	6.0
SR-W060	Tritiated Water with Mercury	0.1	0	0.1
SR-W073	Cadmium-Containing Raschig Rings	1.8	0	1.8
	Subtotal	7.9	0	7.9
<b>Onsite Vendor Stabilization</b>				
SR-W049	Tank E-3-1 Clean Out Material	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Treatment by Aging Followed by Thermal treatment</b>				
SR-W036	Tritiated Oil with Mercury	30.5	0	30.5
<b>Offsite Vendor Facility – Macroencapsulation</b>				
SR-W062	Normal Low–Level Contaminated Debris	157.3	69.3	226.6
SR-W069	Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead–to be Macroencapsulated Onsite	219.2	5.0	224.2
	Subtotal	376.5	74.3	450.8
<b>Offsite Vendor Stabilization</b>				
SR-W048	Soils from Spill Remediation	1.4	3.9	5.3
SR-W082	Radioactive Chemicals, Metals, and Pesticides (CMP) Soil	2.5	0	2.5
SR-W088	Aqueous Halogenated Salts	19.8	0	19.8
	Subtotal	23.7	3.9	27.6
<b>Offsite DOE Facility–Amalgamation Offsite–Broad Spectrum Contract Vendor</b>				
SR-W014	Tritium Contaminated Mercury	4.4	1	5.4
SR-W068	Elemental (Liquid) Mercury Sitewide	0.3	0.4	0.7
SR-W086	Characteristically Hazardous Non-Incinerable Solids	0.4	0	0.4
	Subtotal	5.1	1.4	6.5
<b>Offsite DOE–Combust in the TSCA Incinerator at ETPP</b>				
SR-W079	Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Mixed Waste	3.4	18.5	21.9
<b>Waste Streams to be Further Characterized</b>				
SR-W025	Solvent /TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g**	3,560	0	3,560

SR-W033	Thirids/TRU Job Control Waste <100 nCi/g**	9.0	0	9.0
SR-W078	LDR Hazardous Waste Awaiting Radiological Screening	10	0	10
	Subtotal	3,579	0	3,579

**Table 11.2 Volume Summary by Treatment Facility (con't)**

Waste Stream No.	Waste Stream Name	Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m <sup>3</sup> )	Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m <sup>3</sup> ) 2002-2006	Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m <sup>3</sup> )
<b>TRU Waste Streams Undergoing Characterization/Certification for Shipment to WIPP</b>				
SR-W006	CH Mixed TRU/Liquids	0.1	0	0.1
SR-W026	CH Mixed TRU/Thirds	154.4	24.6	179
SR-W027	CH Mixed TRU/F-listed Solvents	3,355	0	3,355
SR-W053	Rocky Flats Ash	0.1	0	0.1
SR-W089	TRU Waste From Mound	0	287	287
	Subtotal	3,509.6	312.5	3,822.1
<b>Lab Waste Treated as a 90-day Generator at SRTC followed by Vitrification</b>				
SR-W050	Waste to Support High-Level Waste (HLW) Processing Demonstrations	0.2	1.0	1.2
SR-W058	Mixed Sludge Waste with Mercury from DWPF Treatability Studies	0	0	0
	Subtotal	0.2	1.0	1.2
<b>Scrap Metal Exclusion</b>				
SR-W011	Cadmium Coated HEPA Filters	0	0	0
<b>Future Generation – Treatment Plan to be Developed</b>				
SR-W034	Calcium Metal	0	0.6	0.6
SR-W085	Rocky Flats Plutonium Fluoride Residues	0	0	0
	Subtotal	0.6	0.6	1.2
<b>Waste Streams Consolidated</b>				
SR-W002	Rad-Contaminated Chlorofluorocarbons	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W004	M-Area Plating Line Sludge from Supernate Treatment	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W010	Scintillation Solution	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W019	244-H RBOF High Activity Liquid Waste	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W030	Spent Methanol Solution	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W043	Lab Waste with Tetraphenyl Borate	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W044	Tri-Butyl-Phosphate & n-Paraffin-TRU	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W054	Enriched Uranium Contaminated with Lead	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W059	Tetrabutyl Titanate (TBT)	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W061	DWPF Mercury	N/A	N/A	N/A



**Table 11.2 Volume Summary by Treatment Facility (con't)**

<b>Waste Stream No.</b>	<b>Waste Stream Name</b>	<b>Current Cumulative Inventory through 09/30/01 (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Future Forecast Generation (Cumulative) (m<sup>3</sup>) 2002-2006</b>	<b>Total Cumulative (Current + Forecast) (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>
<b>Waste Streams Re-characterized or Eliminated</b>				
SR-W013	Low-Level Waste (LLW) Lead – To be Decontaminated Onsite	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W021	Poisoned Catalyst Material	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W052	Cadmium Contaminated Glovebox Section	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W056	Job Control Waste with Enriched Uranium and Solvent Contaminated Wipes	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W057	D-Tested Neutron Generators	N/A	N/A	N/A
SR-W083	Mercury- and Chromium-Contaminated Residues	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>		155,290.6	14,595.4	169,886.0

\* Volume includes unstabilized ash and blowdown that does not meet the LDR standards.

\*\* Mixed low-level waste conservatively managed as TRU (transuranic waste).

**NOTES:**

Volumes reflect inventories as of September 30, 2001. They may not represent actual volumes of mixed waste of SRS as of the date of the annual update.

Waste streams with 0 volumes have been treated or otherwise managed in accordance with RCRA regulations, or are future waste streams.

Waste streams with N/A in the volume columns have had their waste volume incorporated into other waste streams or, if they have been re-characterized, are no longer a part of the STP.

**Table 11.3 Mixed Waste Treatment Residue Summary**

Residue from mixed waste treatment requiring RCRA Subtitle C disposal (as of 9/30/01).

Waste Stream	Treatment	Residue Status	Comment
SR-W015 Mercury/Tritium Contaminated Equipment	Macroencapsulated in a stainless steel container	Container stored at SRS in Mixed Waste Storage Buildings (645-2N and 643-29E) Total Volume = 14.0 m <sup>3</sup>	Waste continues to be generated.
SR-W023 Cadmium Safety/Control Rods	Macroencapsulated in a stainless steel container.	Container stored at SRS on TRU Pad 12. Volume of waste = 3.5 m <sup>3</sup>	Total volume = 15.2 m <sup>3</sup> Calculated from container outside dimension.
SR-W024 Mercury/Tritium Gold Traps	Macroencapsulated in a stainless steel container.	Containers stored at SRS Mixed Waste Storage Building (643-29E). Total volume = 3.8 m <sup>3</sup> .	
SR-W040 Listed Stabilized Sludge/Listed LDR Compliant Debris	Stabilization at CIF Ashcrete Unit or Vitrification at M-Area Vendor Treatment Facility	Containers stored on SRS M-Area Mixed Waste Storage Pad (315-4M). Total volume = 905.2 m <sup>3</sup> .	Volume breakdown: VTF-related glass waste = 803 m <sup>3</sup> . CIF Stabilized Ashcrete and Blowcrete = 102.2 m <sup>3</sup> .

**NOTES:**

The following characteristic waste streams have undergone treatment. However, treatment residues are not TCLP hazardous and do not require disposal in a RCRA Subtitle C facility: SR-W041, Aqueous Mercury and Lead; SR-W077, Aqueous Characteristic Wastewater; SR-W032B, Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water Residues.

As of January 30, 2002, M-Area is storing approximately 2600 drums of vitrified waste that were generated by the M-Area Vendor Treatment Unit. Should the delisting petition be approved for the vitrified M-Area waste, disposal in a Subtitle C facility will not be required.

As of January 30, 2002, DWPF has produced or filled a total of 1,238 stainless steel glass canisters, which have been placed in storage at SRS awaiting final disposition at Yucca Mountain. As of November 5, 2001, all CIF stabilized ashcrete and blowdown had been shipped offsite for disposal.

The following material has been recycled in part or total. No residues have been generated requiring disposal as mixed waste by SRS: SR-W011, Cadmium Coated HEPA Filters; SR-W032, Mercury-Contaminated Heavy Water.

## Chapter 12. Acronyms and Definitions Glossary

### Acronyms

#### – A –

ADGAS	Venting of compressed gases into an absorbing or reacting media
AEA	Atomic Energy Act
Ag	Silver
ALARA	As Low As Reasonably Achievable
Am	Americium
AMALG	Amalgamation
AOC	Area of Contamination
As	Arsenic
ASME	American Society of Mechanical Engineers
AVF	Alpha Vitrification Facility

#### – B –

B/D	Blowdown
Ba	Barium
BACT	Best Available Control Technology
BDAT	Best Demonstrated Available Technology
BIODG	Biodegradation
BOD	Biochemical Oxygen Demand
Br	Bromine
BTU	British Thermal Unit

#### – C –

C	Carbon
Ca	Calcium
CAA	Clean Air Act
CAB	Citizens Advisory Board
CBFO	Carlsbad Field Office
CARBON	Carbon Adsorption
CB	Containment Building
CCMC	Chemical Commodity Management Center
Cd	Cadmium
Ce	Cerium
CEP	Catalytic Extraction Processing
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality



CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
Cf	Consequence of Failure
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CH	Contact Handled
Chem	Chemical
CHOXD	Chemical or Electrolytic Oxidation
CHRED	Chemical Reduction
Ci	Curie
CIF	Consolidated Incineration Facility
Cm	Curium
CMBST	Combustion
CMP	Chemicals, Pesticides, and Metals
CNS	Charleston Naval Shipyard
Co	Cobalt
CO <sub>2</sub>	Carbon Dioxide
COBRA	Computerized Radioactive Waste Burial Record Analysis
Cont. Bldg.	Containment Building
Cr	Chromium
CRADA	Cooperative Research and Development Agreement
Cs	Cesium
CSTP	Conceptual Site Treatment Plan
CTF	Chemical Transfer Facility
CWA	Clean Water Act
°C	Degrees Celsius

– D –

D&D	Decontamination and Decommissioning
DEACT	Deactivation
Decon	Decontamination
Dest	Destruction (Thermal Destruction)
DETF	Dilute Effluent Treatment Facility
DF	Disposal Facility
Distill	Distillation
DOD	Department of Defense
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
DOE-AL	Department of Energy–Albuquerque Operations Office
DOE-HQ	U. S. Department of Energy–Headquarters
DOE-SR	Department of Energy–Savannah River Operations Office
DOT	Department of Transportation
DSTP	Draft Site Treatment Plan

DWPF Defense Waste Processing Facility

– E –

EA Environmental Assessment  
EAV E-Area Vaults  
ECA Environmental Compliance Authority  
ECM Environmental Compliance Manual  
EIS Environmental Impact Statement  
EM DOE Office of Environmental Management  
EPA U. S. Environmental Protection Agency  
EPCRA Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act  
EPD Environmental Protection Department  
ER Environmental Restoration  
ETF Effluent Treatment Facility  
ETTP East Tennessee Technology Park  
ETWAF Experimental Transuranic Waste Assay Facility  
EU Enriched Uranium  
Eu Europium

– F –

FBC Fluidized Bed Combustion  
FFA Federal Facility Agreement  
FFCA Federal Facility Compliance Agreement  
FFCA Act Federal Facility Compliance Act  
FMWIR Final Mixed Waste Inventory Report  
FONSI Finding of No Significant Impact  
FP Filter Paper  
FPR Functional Performance Requirements  
FPTUR Filter Paper Take-Up Rolls  
FR Federal Register  
FSUBS Fuel Substitution  
FY Fiscal Year  
FYP Five Year Plan

– G –

g or gm Gram  
GAC Granular Activated Carbon  
GAO General Accounting Office  
GOCO Government Owned Contractor Operated

– H –

H	Hydrogen
H <sup>3</sup>	Tritium
HATF	High Activity Transuranic Facility
HANDSS-55	Handling and Segregating System for 55 Gallon Drums
HBL	Health Based Levels
HEPA	High Efficiency Particulate Air
Hg	Mercury
HL	High-Level
HLLW	High-Level Liquid Waste
HLVIT	High-Level Vitrification
HLW	High-Level Radioactive Waste or High-Level Waste
HSWA	Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments
HW	Hazardous Waste
HW/MW	Hazardous Waste/Mixed Waste
HW/MW DV	Hazardous Waste/Mixed Waste Disposal Vaults
HW/MW-TB	Hazardous Waste/Mixed Waste Treatment Building
HWCTR	Heavy Water Components Test Reactor
HWSF	Hazardous Waste Storage Facility

– I –

I	Iodine
ICP	Ion Column Partitioning
ID	Idaho
IDMS	Integrated Defense Waste Processing Facility Melter System
IDOA	In-Depth Options Analysis
IDW	Investigation or Investigative Derived Waste
IMERC	Incineration of Wastes Containing Organics and Mercury
IMWIR	Interim Mixed Waste Inventory Report
INCIN	Incineration
INEEL	Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory
INTEC	Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center
ITP	In-Tank Precipitation
IWPF	Idaho Waste Processing Facility
IWT	Interim Waste Technology

– J –

JCW	Job Control Wastes
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– K –

K	Potassium
kg	Kilogram

– L –

L	Liter
LAER	Lowest Achievable Emission Rate
LATF	Low Activity Transuranic (TRU) Facility
LAW	Low Activity Waste
LDR	Land Disposal Restrictions
LETf	Liquid Effluent Treatment Facility
LLNL	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
LLW	Low-Level Waste
LW	Late Wash

– M –

m	Meter
MACRO	Macroencapsulation
mg	Milligram
MGD	Million gallons/day
Mil	Million
mil	Millimeter
MLLW	Mixed Low-Level Waste
mm	Millimeter
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
mrem	One-thousandth of a rem (Millirem)
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet
MTRU	Mixed Transuranic Waste
MWIP	Mixed Waste Integrated Program
MWIR	Mixed Waste Inventory Report
MWSB	Mixed Waste Storage Building
MWST	Mixed Waste Storage Tanks

– N –

N	Nitrogen
Na	Sodium
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Nb	Niobium
NDA	Non-Destructive Analysis

NDE	Nondestructive Evaluation
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NESHAP	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants
NEUTR	Neutralization
NF	Naval Fuels
Ni	Nickel
NMD	No-Migration Determination
NMP	No-Migration Petition
NMV	No-Migration Variance
NOI	Notice of Intent
Np	Neptunium
NPDES	National Pollution Discharge Elimination System
NPL	National Priorities List
NPV	Net Present Value
NR	Naval Reactors
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
NTPO	National Transuranic Program Office
NWPA	Nuclear Waste Policy Act
NWW	Non wastewater

– O –

O	Oxygen
O&M	Operations and Maintenance
OGC	Office of General Council
OR	Oak Ridge
ORR	Operational Readiness Review
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
OTD	Office of Technology Development
OWST	Organic Waste Storage Tank
Ox	Oxidation

– P –

P	Phosphorus
PA	Performance Assessment
PAC	Powdered Activated Carbon
Pb	Lead
Pc	Complexity Factor
PCB	Polychlorinated Biphenyl
PCC	Primary Combustion Chamber
PEIS	Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement

Pf	Probability Factor
Pm	Maturity Factor
Pm	Promethium
PO	Preferred Option
PPA	Pollution Prevention Act
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
ppm	Parts Per Million
ppb	Parts Per Billion
ppt	Precipitate
Pr	Praseodymium
Pre-Op	Pre-Operational
Precip	Precipitation
PRECP	Precipitation
PSD	Prevention of Significant Deterioration
psig	Pounds per Square Inch Gauge
PSTP	Proposed Site Treatment Plan
Pu	Plutonium
Pu Sep	Plutonium Separation
PUREX	Plutonium Uranium Extraction
PVC	Polyvinyl Chloride
PWIT	Process Waste Interim Treatment
PWIT/SF	Process Waste Interim Treatment/Storage Facility
Pyrol	Pyrolysis

– Q –

QA	Quality Assurance
QC	Quality Control

– R –

R&D	Research and Development
R&R	Roast/Retort
RA	Remedial Action
Rad	Radiation
RBOF	Receiving Basin for Offsite Fuel
RCA	Radiologically Controlled Area
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
React	Reaction
rem	Roentgen Equivalent Man
RF	Risk Factor
RFETS	Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site

RFP	Request For Proposal
RH	Remote-Handled Waste
Rh	Rhodium
RL	Richland, Washington (Hanford)
RLEAD	Thermal Recovery of Lead
RMCP	Residuals Management Contingency Plan
RMERC	Retorting or Roasting
RMETL	Recovery of metals or inorganics
RMMA	Radioactive Materials Management Area
RO	Reverse Osmosis
ROD	Record of Decision
RORGS	Recovery of Organics
RTHRM	Thermal recovery of metals or inorganics
RTR	Real Time Radiography
Ru	Ruthenium

– S –

S.S.	Stainless Steel
SAA	Satellite Accumulation Area
SAR	Safety Analysis Report
SARP	Safety Analysis Report for Packaging
Sb	Antimony
Sc	Scandium
SCC	Secondary Combustion Chamber
SCDHEC	South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
SCHWMR	South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulation
Se	Selenium
SED	Special Equipment Development
SEIS	Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement
SFIA	Surplus Facilities Inventory Assessment
SMPD	Sample Management Program Department
SNM	Special Nuclear Material
SR	Savannah River
Sr	Strontium
SR-WXXX	Savannah River–Waste XXX
SRL	Savannah River Laboratory (old reference–currently known as Savannah River Technology Center)
SRS	Savannah River Site
SRTC	Savannah River Technology Center (previously known as Savannah River Laboratory)
Stab	Stabilization

STABL	Stabilization
STP	Site Treatment Plan
SWDF	Solid Waste Disposal Facility
SWMD	Solid Waste Management Department
SWSP	Solid Waste Storage Pads

– T –

TAC	Technical Advisory Committee
TB	Treatment Building
TBD	To Be Determined
TBT	Tetrabutyl Titanate
TC	Toxic Characteristic
Tc	Technetium
TCLP	Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure
TDEC	Tennessee Department of Environmental Conservation
TEC	Total Estimated Cost
Thermal Dest	Thermal Destruction
TOC	Total Organic Carbon
TPB	Tetraphenyl borate
TRU	Transuranic
TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act
TSD	Treatment, Storage, and Disposal
TSF	Technology Success Factor
TSS	Total Suspended Solids
TTA	Thenoyl Trifluoroacetone
TWCCF	Transuranic Waste Certification/Characterization Facility
TWF	Transuranic Waste Facility

– U –

U	Uranium
USAEC	United States Atomic Energy Commission
USC	University of South Carolina
USC	United States Code
USQ	Unreviewed Safety Question
UTS	Universal Treatment Standards
UV	Ultraviolet

– V –

VE	Visual Examination
VES	Vinyl Ester Styrene



VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
Vol	Volume
VTF	Vendor Treatment Facility

– W –

WAC	Waste Acceptance Criteria
WAP	Waste Analysis Plan
WBS	Work Breakdown Structure
WEDF	Waste Engineering Development Facility
WERF	Waste Experimental Reduction Facility
WIPP	Waste Isolation Pilot Plant
WITS	Waste Information Tracking System
WMEIS	Waste Management Environmental Impact Statement
WMPEIS	Waste Management Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement
WMin/PP	Waste Minimization/Pollution Prevention
WSRC	Westinghouse Savannah River Company
W <sub>t</sub>	Weight
WW	Wastewater
WWT	Wastewater Treatment
WWTF	Wastewater Treatment Facility

– X –

– Y –

Y	Yttrium
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– Z –

Zr	Zirconium
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## Definitions

The following definitions are provided to assist the reader with the specialized language in the STP. Effort has been made to assure that regulatory definitions listed in the STP are identical in wording with the appropriate definition in state and/or federal regulations. Where there are differences, regulatory definition wording takes precedence over that found in this definition section in the STP.

**Amalgamation (AMLGM)**—a process applicable to radioactive elemental mercury wastes. Mercury is converted into a solid alloy, which is more easily managed and less mobile than solutions containing radioactive mercury. Amalgamation provides a significant reduction in air emissions of mercury, and provides a change in mobility from liquid mercury to a paste-like solid, potentially reducing leachability. R.61-79.268.42 of the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (SCHWMR) defines amalgamation as amalgamation of liquid, elemental mercury contaminated with radioactive materials utilizing inorganic reagents such as copper, zinc, nickel, gold, and sulfur that result in a nonliquid semisolid amalgam and thereby reducing potential emission of elemental mercury vapors to the air.

**Aqueous Liquids** (as a waste matrix)—liquids/slurries with a total organic carbon (TOC) content less than 1%. Slurries must be pumpable (e.g., suspended/settled solids can be up to approximately 35-40%). Only liquids/slurries packaged/stored in bulk form (i.e., tank stored, drummed bulk free liquids) are included in this category. Liquids packaged in lab pack-type configuration are categorized as lab packs.

**Back-logged waste**—For the purpose of Section 3.1.1.1 of Volume I, back-logged waste is defined as incinerable waste which has been received into storage at RCRA permitted or RCRA interim status storage facilities as of 9/30/97. (Note: the 9/30/97 volume of backlogged incinerable mixed waste is 888 m<sup>3</sup> of which 729 m<sup>3</sup> is non-PUREX incinerable mixed waste, and 159 m<sup>3</sup> is PUREX mixed waste. This volume differs from the 9/30/96 MWIR volumes as reported in the 1997 STP Annual Update because of receipt of additional mixed wastes into storage, shredding, and other volume adjustments determined during repackaging and further characterization efforts.)

**Best Demonstrated Available Technology (BDAT)**—to determine BDAT, the EPA examines all available performance data on technologies that are identified as demonstrating (using statistical techniques) whether one or more of the technologies performs significantly better than the others. The technology that performs “best” on a particular waste or waste treatability group is then evaluated to determine whether it is “available.” To be available, the technology must be commercially available to any generator and provide “substantial” treatment of the waste, as determined through evaluation of accuracy-adjusted data. In determining whether treatment is substantial, EPA may consider data on the performance of a waste similar to the waste in question, provided that the similar waste is at least as difficult to treat. If the best technology is found to be not available, then the next best technology is evaluated, and so on.

**Biodegradation (BIODG)**—the degradation of organics or non-metallic inorganics (i.e., inorganics that contain phosphorous, nitrogen, and sulfur) in units operated under either aerobic or anaerobic conditions such that a surrogate compound or indicator parameter has been substantially reduced in concentration in the residuals (e.g., total organic carbon can often be used as an indicator parameter for the biodegradation of many organic constituents that cannot be directly analyzed in wastewater residues). Biodegradation is a hazardous waste treatment process identified in R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR.

**Borosilicate Glass**—a type of heat-resistant glass containing at least 5% boric oxide (by weight); used in glassware that resists heat. Borosilicate glass is a leading candidate for use in high-level waste immobilization and disposal.

**Capacity (of a facility)**—the annual process throughput, in m<sup>3</sup>/yr under normal operating conditions. “Normal operating conditions” are the shift schedule under which the facility normally operates (i.e., one 8-hour shift/day, 5 days a week; two shifts/day, 5 days a week; 24 hours a day, 7 days a week). Facility operating capacity can be limited or regulated under a regulatory permit or interim status.

**Carbon Adsorption (CARBN)**—a treatment technology used to treat wastewaters containing dissolved organics at concentrations less than about 5% and, to a lesser extent, dissolved metal and other inorganic contaminants. The two most common carbon adsorption processes are the granular activated carbon (GAC), which is used in packed beds, and the powdered activated carbon (PAC), which is added loosely to wastewater. R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR defines carbon adsorption as: Carbon adsorption (granulated or powdered) of nonmetallic inorganics, organometallics and /or organic constituents operated such that a surrogate compound or indicator parameters has not undergone breakthrough (e.g., Total Organic Carbon can often be used as an indicator parameter for the adsorption of many organic constituents that cannot be directly analyzed in wastewater residues). Breakthrough occurs when the carbon has become saturated with the constituent (or indicator parameter) and substantial change in adsorption rate associated with that constituent occurs.

**Cemented Solids** (as a waste matrix)—sludges or solids (e.g., particulates, etc.) that have been solidified/stabilized with cement or other solidifying agents but do not meet LDR treatment standards. These wastes may require preparation for treatment (e.g., crushing/grinding) prior to subsequent LDR treatment.

**Characterization**—the determination of waste contents and properties, whether by review of process knowledge, nondestructive evaluation/nondestructive analysis (NDE/NDA) or sampling and analysis.

**Chemical Fixations**—any waste treatment process that involves reactions between the waste and certain chemicals, and results in solids that encapsulate, immobilize, or otherwise trap hazardous components in the waste to minimize the leaching of such components and to render the waste nonhazardous and more suitable for disposal.

**Chemical Oxidation (CHOXD)**—chemical or electrolytic oxidation utilizing the following oxidation reagents (or waste reagents) or combinations of reagents: (1) hypochlorite (e.g., bleach); (2) chlorine; (3) chlorine dioxide; (4) ozone or UV (ultraviolet light) assisted ozone; (5) peroxides; (6) persulfates; (7) perchlorates; (8) permanganates; and/or (9) other oxidizing reagents of equivalent efficiency, performed in units operated such that a surrogate compound or indicator parameter is substantially reduced in concentration in the residuals (e.g., total organic carbon can often be used as an indicator parameter for the oxidation of many organic constituents that cannot be directly analyzed in wastewater residues). Chemical oxidation specifically includes what is commonly referred to as alkaline chlorination. Chemical oxidation is a hazardous waste treatment process identified in R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR.

**Chemical Reduction (CHRED)**—chemical reduction utilizing the following reducing reagents (or waste reagents) or combination of reagents: (1) sulfur dioxide; (2) sodium, potassium, or alkali salts of sulfites, bisulfites, metabisulfates, and polyethylene glycols (e.g., total organic halogens can often be used as an indicator parameter for the reduction of many halogenated organic constituents that cannot be directly analyzed in wastewater residues). Chemical reduction is commonly used for the reduction of hexavalent chromium to the trivalent state. Chemical reduction is a hazardous waste treatment process identified in R61-79.268.42 SCHWMR.

**Cleanup**—(1) actions undertaken during a removal or remedial response to physically remove or treat a hazardous substance that poses a threat or potential threat to human health and welfare, the environment, and/or real and personal property. Sites are considered cleaned up when removal or remedial programs have no further expectation or intention of returning to the site and threats have been mitigated or do not require action; or (2) actions taken to deal with a release or threat of release of a hazardous substance that could affect humans and/or the environment. The term “cleanup” is sometimes used interchangeably with either remedial action, removal action, response action, or corrective action.

**Closure-Operational Closure**—actions taken upon completion of operations to prepare the disposal site or disposal unit for custodial care (e.g., addition of cover, grading, drainage, erosion control). Final Site Closure: Actions taken as part of a formal decommissioning or remedial action plan, the purpose of which is to achieve long-term stability of the disposal site and to eliminate to the extent practical the need for active maintenance so that only surveillance, monitoring, and minor custodial care are required.

**Compliance Agreements**—legally binding agreements between regulators and regulated entities that set standards and schedules for compliance with environmental statutes, including Consent Order and Compliance Agreements, Federal Facility Agreements, and Federal Facility Compliance Agreements.

**Combustion (CMBST)**—High temperature organic destruction technologies, such as combustion, in incinerators, boilers, or industrial furnaces operated in accordance with the applicable requirements of R.61-79.264, Subpart O, or R.61-79.265, Subpart O, or R.61-79.266, Subpart H, of SCHWMR and in other units operated in accordance with applicable technical operating requirements; and certain noncombustive technologies, such as the Catalytic Extraction Process.

**Concentration Based Standard**—a land disposal restricted hazardous waste treatment standard for which the standard developed for an extract of the waste or treatment residue, or the constituent concentration in the waste or treatment residue has been determined at a specific maximum concentration level. These standards were based on best demonstrated available technology (BDAT) and the waste or waste extract or treatment residue must not exceed these concentrations if the waste is to be land disposed.

**Contact-Handled Waste (CH)**—waste or waste containers whose external surface dose rate does not exceed 200 mrem per hour at the surface of the container.

**Container**—any portable device in which a material is stored, transported, treated, disposed of, or otherwise handled (SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10 Subpart B Definitions).

**Containment Building**—a hazardous waste management unit used to store or treat hazardous waste under the provisions of Subpart DD of R.61-79 parts 264 and 265 SCHWMR

**Corrosive/Corrosivity**—(1) a solid waste exhibits corrosivity if a representative sample of the waste has either of the following properties (1) it is aqueous and has a pH less than or equal to 2 or greater than or equal to 12.5 as determined by a pH meter using Method 904D, “Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste Physical/Chemical Methods; or (2) it is a liquid and corrodes steel (SAE 1020) at a rate greater than 6.35 mm (0.250 inch) per year at a test temperature of 55°C (130°F) as determined by the test method specified in NACE (National Association of Corrosion Engineers) Standard TM-01-69 as standardized in “Test Methods for the Evaluation of Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods”, EPA publication SW-846.

**Curie**—a measurement of a level of radiation activity in relation to the number of disintegrations per unit of time. One curie equals  $2.7 \times 10^{10}$  disintegrations per second. Activity measured in milli ( $10^{-3}$ ), micro ( $10^{-6}$ ), nano ( $10^{-9}$ ), or pico ( $10^{-12}$ ) curie units is often expressed.

**Deactivation (DEACT)**—the removal of the hazardous characteristics of a waste due to its ignitability, corrosivity, and/or reactivity. Deactivation is a hazardous waste treatment process identified in R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR.

**Debris**—solid material exceeding a 60-mm particle size that is intended for disposal and that is (1) a manufactured object; or (2) plant or animal matter; or (3) natural geologic material. However, the following materials are not debris: (1) any material for which a specific treatment standard is provided in Subpart D, part 268; (2) process residuals such as smelter slag and residues from the treatment of waste, wastewater, sludges or air emission residues; and (3) intact containers of hazardous waste that are not ruptured and that retain at least 75% of their original volume. A mixture of debris that has not been treated to the standards provided by R.61-79.268.45 SCHWMR and other material is subject to regulation as debris if the mixture is comprised primarily of debris by volume based on visual inspection. [From R.61-79.268.2(g) SCHWMR]

**Decommissioning**—(1) actions taken to reduce the potential health and safety impacts of contaminated DOE facilities, including activities to stabilize, reduce, or remove radioactive materials or to demolish the facilities; (2) preparations taken for retirement of a nuclear facility from active service, accompanied by the execution of a program to reduce or stabilize radioactive contamination; or (3) the process of removing a facility or area from operation and decontaminating and/or disposing of it or placing it in a condition of standby with appropriate controls and safeguards.

**Decontamination**—the removal of unwanted material (typically radioactive material) from facilities, soils, or equipment by washing, chemical action, mechanical cleaning, or other techniques.

**Defense Waste**—(1) radioactive waste from any activity performed in whole or in part in support of DOE atomic energy defense activities; excludes waste under purview of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission or generated by

the commercial nuclear power industry; or (2) nuclear waste derived mostly from the manufacture of nuclear weapons, weapons-related research programs, the operations of naval reactors, and the decontamination of production facilities.

**Delist**—use of the petition process to have a waste excluded from RCRA hazardous waste lists in Subpart D of Part 261.

**Delisting**—according to 40 CFR 260.20 and .22, to be exempted from the RCRA hazardous waste “system,” a listed hazardous waste, a mixture of a listed and solid waste, or a derived-from waste must be delisted. Characteristic hazardous wastes never need to be delisted, but can be treated to eliminate the characteristic. A contained-in waste also does not have to be delisted; it only has to “no longer contain” the hazardous waste.

**Department of Energy Waste**—radioactive waste generated by activities of the DOE (or its predecessors), waste for which DOE is responsible under law or contract or other waste for which the DOE is responsible.

**Derived-From Rule**—This rule states that any solid waste derived from the treatment, storage, or disposal of a listed RCRA hazardous waste is itself a listed hazardous waste (regardless of the concentration of hazardous constituents) unless delisted per RCRA 40 CFR 260.22. For example, ash and scrubber water from the thermal treatment of a listed waste are hazardous wastes on the basis of the derived-from rule. Solid wastes derived from a characteristic hazardous waste are hazardous wastes only if they exhibit a hazardous characteristic.

**Difficult-to-Treat Waste**—Waste that does not meet the acceptance criteria of an offsite commercial vendor and cannot be readily handled by the commercial vendor under special procedures.

**Disposal**—the discharge, deposit, injection, dumping, spilling, leaking, or placing of any solid waste or hazardous waste into or on any land or water so that such solid waste or hazardous waste or any constituent thereof may enter the environment or be emitted into the air or discharged into any waters, including groundwaters (per SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10).

**Disposal Facility**—a facility or part of a facility at which hazardous waste is intentionally placed into or on the land or water, and at which waste will remain after closure. The term disposal facility does not include a corrective action management unit into which remediation wastes are placed (per SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10)

**Effluent**—(1) airborne and liquid wastes discharged from a site or facility following such engineering waste treatment and all effluent controls, including onsite retention and decay, as may be provided. This term does not include solid wastes, wastes for shipment offsite, wastes that are contained (e.g., underground nuclear test debris) or stored (e.g., in tanks) or wastes that are to remain onsite through treatment or disposal; or (2) wastewater (treated or untreated) that flows out of a treatment plant, sewer, or industrial outfall. Effluent may refer to wastes discharged into surface waters.

**Elemental Lead (Activated and Non-Activated) (as a waste matrix)**—both surface contaminated and activated elemental lead. Activated lead includes lead from accelerators or other neutron sources that may result in irradiation. Surface contaminated lead materials include bricks, counterweights, shipping casks, and other shielding materials.

**Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)**—(1) a document prepared in accordance with the requirements of §102(2)(C) of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA); or (2) a tool for decision making. It describes the

positive and negative effects of the undertaking and lists alternative actions. The draft document (DEIS) is prepared by the DOE, or under DOE guidance, and attempts to identify and analyze the environmental impacts of a proposed action and feasible alternatives, and is circulated for public comment prior to preparation of the final environmental impact statement.

**Environmental Restoration (ER)**—measures taken to clean up and stabilize or restore a site to regulatory acceptable conditions when the site has been contaminated with hazardous substances during past production or disposal activities.

**Environmental Restoration Waste**—waste generated by environmental restoration program activities.

**Facility**—all contiguous land, buildings, structures; other appurtenances, and improvements on the land used for treating, storing, or disposing of hazardous waste. A facility may consist of several treatment, storage, or disposal operational units (e.g., one or more landfills, surface impoundments, or combinations of them per SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10).

**Federal Facility Agreement (FFA)**—Developed in response to requirements in Section 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), the FFA is an interagency agreement between the Department of Energy-Savannah River Operations, the Environmental Protection Agency-Region IV, and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control to establish an expeditious schedule of remedial actions at contaminated sites placed on the National Priorities List. The FFA became effective on August 16, 1993.

**Federal Facility Compliance Act of 1992 (FFCA)**—The FFCA was passed by Congress and made effective on October 6, 1992. The FFCA requires that except as provided below, after the date that is three years after the date of enactment of this Act, the waiver of sovereign immunity contained in Section 6001(a) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act with respect to civil, criminal, and administrative penalties and fines shall apply to departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the executive branch of the federal government for violation of Section 3004(j) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act involving storage of mixed waste. With respect to the Department of Energy, the waiver of sovereign immunity referred to above shall not apply so long as the Department of Energy is in compliance with both (i) a plan that has been submitted and approved pursuant to Section 3021(b) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act and which is in effect; and (ii) an order requiring compliance with such plan which has been issued pursuant to such Section 3021(b) and which is in effect.

**Federal Facility Compliance Agreement (FFCA)**—an agreement between the DOE, a host state and/or EPA with respect to how and when some waste-related activity will be conducted to achieve compliance with applicable regulations in a timely manner. This agreement is a major driver or constraint on activities that sites must undertake for waste operations.

**Filtration**—removal/separation of particles from a mixture of fluid and particles by a medium that permits the flow of the fluid but retains the particles.

**Free Liquid**—means liquids which readily separate from the solid portion of a waste under ambient temperature and pressure (per SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10).

**Fuel Substitution (FSUBS)**—This treatment description has been replaced by the term Combustion (CMBST) per the LDR Phase III Rule.

**Generator**—any person, by site, whose act or process produces hazardous waste identified or listed in South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulation R.61-79.261 or whose act first causes a hazardous waste to become subject to regulation per SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10.

**Glovebox**—(1) a sealed volume penetrated by leaded-rubber gloves that allows safe manipulation of some alpha-emitting particles; or (2) a windowed, low-leaking enclosure equipped with one or more pairs of flexible gloves to allow outside personnel to handle radioactive material within the enclosure.

**Groundwater**—means water below the land surface in a zone of saturation (per SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10).

**Groundwater Contamination**—the pollution of the underground sources of liquid water by potentially hazardous or toxic materials that move downward through the unsaturated profile to the zone of saturation or from improperly constructed or operated wells.

**Groundwater Remediation**—treatment of groundwater to remove pollutants.

**Hazardous Debris**—means debris that contains a hazardous waste listed per Subpart D of Part 261 of SCHWMR or that exhibits a characteristic of hazardous waste identified in Subpart C of Part 261 of SCHWMR.

**Hazardous Waste (HW)**—those wastes that are designated hazardous by EPA (or state) Regulations. Those wastes listed by EPA (or state) or meeting characteristics specified by EPA (or state) in their criteria pursuant to RCRA. See South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (SCHWMR) R.61-79.261.3 for specific detailed information.

**Heterogeneous Debris (as a waste matrix)**—wastes with matrices meeting the definition of debris per the August 18, 1992, LDR debris rule making (57 FR 37194, August 18, 1992). This category includes debris that do not meet the criteria for categorization as either Organic Debris or Inorganic Debris. This category also includes mixtures of debris and solid process residues or soil, provided debris comprises more than 50% of the waste.

**High-Level Radioactive Waste (HLW)**—(1) the highly radioactive waste material that results from the reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel including liquid waste produced directly in reprocessing and any solid waste derived from the liquid that contains a combination of transuranic (TRU) waste and fission products in concentrations requiring permanent isolation; or (2)(a) irradiated reactor fuel, (b) liquid wastes resulting from the operation of the first cycle solvent extraction system, or equivalent, and the concentrated wastes from subsequent extraction cycles, or equivalent, in a facility for reprocessing irradiated reactor fuel, and (c) solids into which such liquid wastes have been converted; or (3) as defined by the Nuclear Waste Policy Act (NWPA), (a) the highly radioactive material resulting from the reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel, including the liquid waste produced directly in reprocessing and any solid material derived from such liquid waste that contains fission products in sufficient concentrations; and (b) other highly radioactive material that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), consistent with existing law, determines by rule to require permanent isolation; or (4) waste generated in the fuel of a nuclear reactor, or waste found at nuclear reactors or nuclear fuel reprocessing plants. These wastes are a serious threat to anyone who comes near them without shielding.

**High-Level Vitrification (HLVIT)**—vitrification of high-level radioactive wastes in units which comply with all applicable radioactive protection requirements under control of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; or a mixed waste treatment process identified in R.61-79.268.42 of SCHWMR.

**Ignitability/Ignitable**—a waste property describing RCRA characteristically hazardous waste with a flash point lower than 140 °F. More detail on this definition can be found by consulting the SCHWMR R.61-79.261.21.

**Immobilization**—treatment of waste debris through macroencapsulation, micro-encapsulation, or sealing to reduce surface exposure to potential leaching media; or to reduce the leachability of the hazardous constituents. Described in Treatment Standards for Debris R.61-79.268.45 of SCHWMR.

**Incineration (INCIN)**—This treatment description has been replaced by the term Combustion (CMBST) per the LDR Phase III Rule.

**Incineration of Wastes Containing Organics and Mercury (IMERC)**—thermal treatment of wastes containing organics and mercury in units operated in accordance with the technical operating requirements of R.61-79.264 Subpart O and 265 Subpart O SCHWMR. All wastewater and nonwastewater residues derived from this process must then comply with the corresponding treatment standards per waste code with consideration of any applicable subcategories (e.g., high or low mercury subcategories) (per R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR).

**Inorganic Debris (as waste matrix)**—wastes with matrices meeting the definition of debris per the August 18, 1992, LDR debris rule making (57 FR 37194, August 18, 1992). More specifically, this category is defined for wastes that contain >90% inorganic debris. Examples include the following; metal shapes (e.g., equipment, scrap), metal turnings, glass (e.g., light tubes, leaded glass, etc.), ceramic materials, concrete, rocks. To meet the debris definition, material must be incapable of passing through a 9.5-mm standard sieve.

**Inorganic Sludges/Particulates (as a waste matrix)**—solid process residues with a predominately inorganic matrix. Solid process residues do not fit the definition of debris. Typically, these solids are sludge or particulate materials. Waste in this category may also contain some debris materials, provided the amount of debris is less than 50% (based on LDR debris rule). The solids in this category may be contaminated with or contain organics such that thermal treatment is required. However, the matrices are predominantly inorganic so that thermal treatment would result in a high residue. Examples in this category are the following: sludges, ashes, and

blasting media; absorbed aqueous or organic liquids (or inorganic particulate absorbents); ion exchange resins; and paint chips/residues.

**Ion Exchange**—a process that separates a mixed waste into its radioactive and/or hazardous constituents if the radioactive and/or hazardous components are ionic. It will also concentrate the radioactive and/or hazardous ionic species into a small volume, leaving a nonradioactive aqueous phase. The principal mixed waste application of this process is to recover metallic radionuclides from wastewaters or acid leach liquors. Ion exchange usually occurs through utilization of a resin which replaces the radioactive or hazardous ionic component with a nonradioactive or nonhazardous ionic component.

**Job Control Waste (JCW)**—discarded materials such as laboratory coats, plastic shoe covers, protective gloves and other paper, cloth, plastic, and glass products used in operations and preventive maintenance activities.

**Lab Packs with Metals and Lab Packs without Metals (as waste matrices)**—wastes with one or more small containers of free liquids or solids surrounded by solid materials (virgin or waste materials) within a larger container. Examples include scintillation fluids that are packaged with vials or containers of waste analytical reagents, used or unused laboratory samples, etc. The difference between wastes in these categories is contaminants. Lab packed wastes contaminated with TC metals are “Lab packs with Metals.” Lab packed wastes not contaminated with TC metals are categorized as “Lab packs without Metals.”

**Land Disposal**—placement in or on the land except in a corrective action management unit including, but not limited to, placement in a landfill, surface impoundment, waste pile, injection well, land treatment facility, salt dome, salt bed formation, underground mine or cave, or placement in a concrete vault or bunker intended for disposal purposes (per SCHWMR R.61-79.268.2(c)).

**Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR)**—(1) provisions of the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) requiring treatment of hazardous wastes before disposal; or (2) a RCRA program that restricts land disposal of RCRA hazardous wastes and requires treatment to promulgated treatment standards.

**Land Disposal Restrictions—Federal Facility Compliance Agreement (LDR-FFCA)**—An agreement effective March 13, 1991, between the Environmental Protection Agency-Region IV (EPA-IV) and the Department of Energy-Savannah River Operations (DOE-SR), which allowed the Savannah River Site (SRS) to continue to generate and store prohibited mixed waste regulated under the land disposal restrictions (LDR) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) while developing treatment capacity. The LDR-FFCA established a number of compliance deadlines involving LDR mixed waste treatment activities at SRS. The LDR-FFCA was amended three times. The third amendment, called the Bridging Amendment, was effective June 20, 1994, and aligned the LDR-FFCA with requirements of the Federal Facility Compliance Act (FFCA). The LDR-FFCA expired on September 29, 1995, with agreement by SCDHEC and SRS on the FFCA Consent Order and approval of the STP.

**Leachate**—any liquid, including any suspended components in the liquid, that has percolated through or drained from hazardous waste (per SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10). Leaching may occur at landfills or spill sites and may result in hazardous substances entering soil, surface water, or groundwater.

**Listed Waste**—wastes listed as hazardous under R.61-79.261 Subpart D SCHWMR, which includes lists of nonspecific source wastes, specific source wastes, and commercial chemical products or manufacturing chemical intermediates. These materials are listed because they exhibit a characteristic of hazardous waste, meet the statutory definition of hazardous waste, or are acutely toxic, acutely hazardous, or otherwise toxic.

**Liquid Mercury (as a waste matrix)**—any wastes containing bulk volumes of elemental liquid mercury. The category includes lab packs of strictly liquid mercury or other containers containing bulk mercury.

**Low-Level Radioactive Waste (LLW)**—(1) waste that contains radioactivity and is not classified as high-level waste, transuranic (TRU) waste, or spent nuclear fuel, or the tailings or wastes produced by the extraction or concentration of uranium or thorium from any ore processed primarily for its source material content. Test specimens of fissionable material irradiated for research and development only, and not for the production of power or plutonium, may be classified as low-level waste, provided the concentration of TRU is less than 100



nanoCuries/gram (nCi/g); or (2) radioactive waste not classified as high-level waste, TRU waste, spent nuclear fuel, or byproduct material.

**Macroencapsulation (MACRO) (technology based standard)**—application of surface coating materials such as polymeric organics (e.g., resins and plastics) or with a jacket of inert inorganic materials to substantially reduce surface exposure to potential leaching media. Macroencapsulation specifically does not include material that would be classified as a tank or container according to R.61-79.260.10 SCHWMR. Macroencapsulation is a hazardous waste treatment process identified in R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR.

**Macroencapsulation (MACRO) (alternative standard for debris)**—identical definition to the one immediately above for the technology based standard except this definition excludes the last sentence referring to use of materials that could be classified as a tank or container. A hazardous debris treatment identified in 40 CFR 268.45 of SCHWMR.

**Metals Recovery (RMETL)**—recovery of metals or inorganics utilizing one or more of the following direct physical/removal technologies: (1) ion exchange; (2) resin or solid (i.e., zeolites) adsorption; (3) reverse osmosis; (4) chelation/solvent extraction; (5) freeze crystallization; (6) ultrafiltration and/or (7) simple precipitation (i.e., crystallization). Note: This does not preclude the use of other physical phase separation or concentration techniques such as decantation, filtration (including ultrafiltration), and centrifugation, when used in conjunction with the above listed recovery technologies. Metals recovery is a hazardous waste treatment process identified in R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR.

**Microencapsulation**—stabilization of the debris with the following reagents (or waste reagents) such that the leachability of the hazardous contaminants is reduced; (1) Portland cement; or (2) lime/pozzolans (e.g., fly ash and cement kiln dust). Reagents (e.g., iron salts, silicates, and clay) may be added to enhance the set/cure time and/or compressive strength or to reduce the leachability of the hazardous constituents. Microencapsulation is a hazardous debris treatment identified in R.61-79.268.45 of SCHWMR.

**Mixed Low-Level Waste (MLLW)**—low-level waste that also includes hazardous materials as identified in R.61-79.261, Subparts C and D, SCHWMR.

**Mixed TRU (MTRU) Waste**—Transuranic (TRU) waste that also includes hazardous materials as identified in R.61-79.261, Subparts C and D, SCHWMR.

**Mixed Waste**—waste that contains both hazardous waste and source, special nuclear, or by-product material subject to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 USC 2011 et seq.) (from Sec 1004 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act—42 USC 6902).

**Mixture Rule**—under the mixture rule, when any solid waste and a listed hazardous waste is mixed, the entire mixture is a listed hazardous waste unless the listed waste is listed for exhibiting a characteristic of a hazardous waste. Mixtures of solid waste and listed hazardous waste that are listed solely for exhibiting a characteristic are not hazardous if the resulting mixture no longer exhibits any characteristic. Mixtures of solid wastes and characteristic hazardous wastes are hazardous only if the mixture exhibits a hazardous characteristic. [R.61-79.261.3(a)(2)].

**Moratorium Waste**—those Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) wastes generated in areas with a potential for causing radioactive contamination or activation that are subject to the May 17, 1991, DOE moratorium on offsite shipment of hazardous waste to commercial treatment, storage, and disposal facilities. Also included in the 1991 moratorium are certain heterogeneous and homogeneous solids from which a representative sample for radiological screening purposes cannot be obtained until appropriate sampling protocols are established.

**Neutralization (NEUTR)**—use of the following reagents (or waste reagents) or combinations of reagents: (1) acids, (2) bases, or (3) water (including wastewaters) resulting in a pH greater than 2 but less than 12.5 as measured in the aqueous residuals. Neutralization is a hazardous waste treatment process developed in R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR.

**Nondefense-Related Waste**—radioactive waste under the purview of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission or generated by the commercial nuclear power industry, and not derived from the manufacture of nuclear weapons, weapons related research programs, operations of naval reactors and the decontamination of production facilities.

**Non-PUREX SRS mixed wastes** - For the purpose of Section 3.1.1.1 of Volume I, Non-PUREX SRS mixed wastes are defined as those mixed wastes, exclusive of waste stream SR-W045, identified in Volume I, Section 3.1.1.1 of the SRS Approved Site Treatment Plan, Revision 5, March 20, 1997.

**Nonwastewater**—waste that does not meet the criteria for wastewater found later in these definitions.

**Normal Mixed Waste**—waste that is similar to “standard commercial mixed waste.”

**Onsite**—the same or geographically contiguous property which may be divided by a public or private right of way provided the entrance and exit between the properties is at a crossroads intersection and access is by crossing as opposed to going along the right-of-way. Noncontiguous properties owned by the same person, but connected by a right-of-way which he controls and to which the public does not have access is also considered onsite property (per SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10).

**Onsite Facility**—a hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal area that is located on the generating site.

**Organic Debris (as a waste matrix)**—wastes with matrices meeting the definition of debris per R.61-79.268.2 debris rule making (57 FR 37194, August 18, 1992). This category is defined for wastes that contain >90% organic debris. Examples include rags (including “solvent rags”) plastic/rubber, paper, wood, glovebox gloves (including lead-lined), and animal carcasses.

**Organic Liquids (as a waste matrix)**—liquids/slurries with a total organic carbon (TOC) content greater than or equal to 1%. Slurries must be pumpable (e.g., suspended/settled solids can be up to approximately 35-40%). Only liquids/slurries packaged/stored in bulk form (i.e., tank stored, drummed bulk free liquids) are included in this category. Liquids packaged in lab pack-type configuration are categorized as lab packs.

**Organic Sludges/Particulates (as a waste matrix)**—solid process residues with an organic matrix. Solid process residues are solids that do not fit the definition of debris. Typically, these solids are sludge or particulate materials. Waste in this category may also contain some debris materials, provided the amount of debris is less than 50% (based on LDR debris rule). As opposed to Inorganic Sludges/Particulates, wastes in this category would not leave a large residue when thermally treated. Example waste materials are organic sludges, (e.g., sewage sludges) activated carbon, organic resins, and absorbed liquids (organic particulate absorbents).

**Permit**—an authorization, license, or equivalent control document issued by South Carolina or EPA to implement the requirements of R.61-79.124 and part 270 or equivalent federal regulation. Permit includes RCRA permit by rule (270.60). Permit does not include RCRA interim status (270.70) or any permit which has not yet been the subject of federal agency action, such as a draft permit or a proposed permit.

**pH**—(1) used to describe the hydrogen ion activity of a system. The logarithm of the reciprocal of hydrogen ion concentration ( $-\log_{10} [H^+]$ , where  $[H^+]$  is hydrogen-ion concentration in moles per liter); or (2) a symbol for the degree of acidity or alkalinity.

**Plutonium-Uranium Extraction (PUREX) Process**—a solvent extraction process used in the reprocessing of uranium/plutonium-based nuclear fuels.

**Precipitation (PRECP)**—chemical precipitation of metals and other inorganics to form insoluble precipitates of oxides, hydroxides, carbonates, sulfides, sulfates, chlorides, fluorides, or phosphates. The following reagents (or waste reagents) are typically used alone or in combination: (1) lime (i.e., containing oxides and/or hydroxides of calcium and/or magnesium); (2) caustic (i.e., sodium and/or potassium hydroxides); (3) soda ash (i.e., sodium carbonate); (4) sodium sulfide; (5) ferric sulfate or ferric chloride; (6) alum; or (7) sodium sulfate. Additional flocculating, coagulating, or similar reagents/processes that enhance sludge dewatering characteristics are not precluded from use. Precipitation is a hazardous waste treatment process developed in R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR.

**Preparation for Treatment Processes**—processes (e.g., shredding, grinding, physical separation, etc.) that make the waste amenable to the treatment process that ultimately destroys, removes, or immobilizes the hazardous contaminants or characteristics.

**Processing** - For the purpose of Section 3.1.1.1 of Volume I, processing is defined as the treatment of incinerable mixed wastes to meet the LDR standards in effect as of 9/30/97.

**Radiation**—(1) ionizing radiation that includes any or all of the following; gamma rays and x-rays, alpha and beta particles, high-speed electrons, neutrons, high-speed protons, and other atomic particles. This definition does not include nonionizing radiations such as sound, microwave, radiowave or visible, infrared, or ultraviolet light; or (2) refers to the process of emitting energy in the form of rays or particles that are thrown off by disintegrating atoms. The rays or particles emitted may consist of alpha, beta, or gamma radiation.

**Radioactive Materials Management Area (RMMA)**—an area in which the potential exists for contamination due to the presence of unencapsulated or unconfined radioactive material or an area that is exposed to beams or other sources of particles (neutron, protons, etc.) capable of causing activation. Any of the following areas constitute an RMMA; (1) radiological buffer areas (except those established for a radiation field only) and all areas they encompass; (2) radioactive management areas; (3) soil contamination areas and the surrounding area that is greater than twice the background level of radiation; (4) underground radioactive material areas that have undergone operations to expose radionuclides (e.g., excavation); or (5) the area inside the OSHA physical control (e.g., fence) that was established for an environmental restoration activity where radioactive material is present.

**Radioactive Mixed Waste**—(See Mixed Waste)

**Radioactive Waste**—(1) solid, liquid, or gaseous material that contains radionuclides regulated under the AEA of 1954, as amended, and of negligible economic value considering recovery costs; or (2) a solid, liquid, or gaseous material of negligible economic value that contains radionuclides in excess of threshold quantities. Radioactive waste does not include material contaminated by radionuclides from nuclear weapons testing.

**Radioactivity**—(1) the spontaneous nuclear decay of material with a corresponding release of energy in the form of particles and/or electromagnetic radiation; or (2) the property or characteristic of radioactive material to spontaneously “disintegrate” with the emission of energy in the form of radiation. The unit of radioactivity is the curie.

**Radionuclide**—(1) a species of atom having an unstable nucleus that is subject to spontaneous decay; or (2) any nuclide that emits radiation. A nuclide is a species of atom characterized by the constitution of its nucleus and hence by its number of protons, neutrons, and energy content.

**Reactive Metals (as a waste matrix)**—bulk reactive metals and equipment contaminated with reactive metals. Bulk reactive metals include sodium, alkali metal alloys, aluminum fines, uranium fines, zirconium fines, and other pyrophoric materials. Contaminated equipment includes piping, pumps, and other materials with a residue or reactive metals that cannot be separated from the equipment medium.

**Reactivity**—a solid waste exhibits the characteristic of reactivity if a representative sample of the waste has any of the following properties: (1) It is normally unstable and readily undergoes violent change without detonating. (2) It reacts violently with water. (3) It forms potentially explosive mixtures with water. (4) When mixed with water, it generates toxic gases, vapors, or fumes in a quantity sufficient to present a danger to human health and the environment. (5) It is a cyanide or sulfide bearing waste which when exposed to pH conditions between 2 and 12.5, and can generate toxic gases vapors or fumes in a quantity sufficient to present a danger to human health or the environment. (6) It is capable of detonation or explosive reaction if it is subjected to a strong initiating source or if heated under confinement. (7) It is readily capable of detonation or explosive decomposition or reaction at standard temperature and pressure. (8) It is a forbidden explosive as defined in 49 CFR 173.51, or a Class A explosive as defined in 49 CFR 173.53 or a Class B explosive as defined in 49 CFR 173.88. This definition comes from R.61-79.261.23 SCHWMR.

**Recovery of Organics (RORGs)**—recovery of organics utilizing one or more of the following technologies, (1) distillation, (2) thin film evaporation, (3) steam stripping, (4) carbon adsorption, (5) critical fluid extraction, (6) liquid-liquid extraction, (7) precipitation/ crystallization (including freeze crystallization), or (8) chemical phase separation techniques (i.e., addition of acids, bases, demulsifiers, or similar chemicals). Note: This does not preclude the use of other physical phase separation techniques such as a decantation, filtration (including ultrafiltration), and centrifugation when used in conjunction with the above listed recovery technologies. Recovery of organics is a hazardous waste treatment process developed in R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR.

**rem— Roentgen equivalent man**—a measure of radiation equal to the dose in rad (radiation absorbed dose) or Roentgens multiplied by a quality factor measuring the effectiveness of the absorbed dose: mrem equals a millirem or one-thousandth of a rem.

**Remedial Action (RA)**—(1) activities conducted at DOE facilities to reduce potential risks to people and/or harm to the environment from radioactive and/or hazardous substance contamination; or (2) those actions consistent with permanent remedy taken instead of, or in addition to, removal action in the event of a release or threatened release of a hazardous substance into the environment to prevent or minimize the release of hazardous substances so that they do not migrate to cause substantial danger to present or future public health or welfare or the environment. The term includes, but is not limited to, such actions at the location of the release as storage, confinement, perimeter protection, clay cover, neutralization, cleanup of released hazardous substances or contaminated materials, recycling or reuse, diversion, destruction, segregation of reactive wastes, dredging, or excavations, repair or replacement of leaking containers, collection of leachate and runoff, onsite treatment or combustion, provision of alternative water supplies, and any monitoring reasonably required to ensure that such actions protect the public health and welfare and the environment. The term includes the costs of permanent relocation of residents and businesses and community facilities where the president determines that, alone or in combination with other measures, such relocation is more cost-effective than, and environmentally preferable to, the transportation, storage, treatment, destruction, or secured disposition offsite of such hazardous substances, or may otherwise be necessary to protect the public health or welfare. The term does not include offsite transport of hazardous substances or contaminated materials unless the president determines that such actions are more cost-effective than other remedial actions; will create new capacity to manage in compliance with Subtitle C of the SWDA, hazardous substances in addition to those located at the affected facility; or are necessary to protect public health or welfare or the environment from a present or potential risk that may be created by further exposure to the continued presence of such substances or materials [as defined by §101(24) of CERCLA].

**Remote-Handled Waste (RH)**—packaged waste with an external surface dose rate that exceeds 200 mrem per hour.

**Remote Handling**—the handling of wastes from a distance so as to protect human operators from unnecessary exposure.

**Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Part A Permit Application**—the first part of a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act permit application that identifies treatment, storage, and disposal units within a facility for which a permit is requested.

**Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Part B Permit Application**— the detailed second part of a RCRA permit application that describes waste to be managed, waste quantities, and facilities.

**Retorting or Roasting (RMERC)**—retorting or roasting in a thermal processing unit capable of volatilizing mercury and subsequently condensing the volatilized mercury for recovery. The retorting or roasting unit (or facility) must be subject to one or more of the following: (a) a National Emissions Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for mercury; (b) a Best Available Control Technology (BACT) or a Lowest Achievable Emission Rate (LAER) standard for mercury imposed pursuant to a Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) limit; or (c) a state permit that establishes emission limitations (within meaning of section 302 of the Clean Air Act) for mercury. All wastewater and nonwastewater residues derived from this process must then comply with the corresponding treatment standards per waste code with consideration of any applicable subcategories (e.g., high or low mercury subcategories). Retorting or roasting is a hazardous waste treatment process identified in R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR.

**Segregation**—the separation of waste materials to facilitate handling, storage, treatment, transportation, and/or disposal.

**Site**—the land or water area where any facility or activity is physically located or conducted, including adjacent land used in connection with the facility or activity.

**Site Characterization**—the program of exploration and research, both in the laboratory and in the field, undertaken to establish the geologic conditions and the ranges of those parameters of a particular site. Site characterization includes borings, surface excavations, excavation of exploratory shafts, limited subsurface lateral excavations, and borings and geophysical testing.

**Site Closure and Stabilization**—those actions that are taken upon completion of operations that prepare the disposal site for custodial care and ensure that the disposal site will remain stable and will not need ongoing active maintenance.

**Sludge**—any solid, semi-solid, or liquid waste generated from a wastewater treatment plant, water supply treatment plant, or air pollution control facility exclusive of treated effluent from a wastewater treatment plant.

**Soil (as a waste matrix)**—soils contaminated with hazardous constituents and radioactivity that are stored in waste containers. Soil (as a waste matrix) includes soils contaminated with organics, inorganics, or both.

**Soil With <50% Debris (as a waste matrix)**—soils contaminated with hazardous constituents and radioactivity that are stored in waste containers, including soils contaminated with organics, inorganics, or both. This category may include debris, provided it is less than 50% of the waste.

**Stabilization (STABL)**—a broad class of treatment processes that immobilize hazardous constituents in a waste. For treatment of metals in mixed low-level wastes and for TRU wastes containing low-level radioactive components, stabilization technologies will reduce the leachability of the hazardous metal constituents (regardless of whether the metals are radioactive) in nonwastewater matrices. R.61-79.268.42 SCHWMR defines stabilization as reaction with the following reagents (or waste reagents) or combination of reagents: (1) Portland cement; or (2) lime/pozzolans (e.g., flyash and cement kiln dust). This does not preclude the addition of reagents (e.g., iron salts, silicates, and clays) designed to enhance the set/cure time and/or compressive strength, or to overall reduce the leachability of the metal or inorganic.

**Standard Commercial Mixed Waste**—waste that meets the acceptance criteria of the commercial vendor or is readily handled by the commercial vendor under special procedures.

**Steam Stripping**—a continuous process conducted in a unit that consists of a boiler, a stripping column, a condenser, and a collection tank. Steam stripping of organics from liquid wastes utilizes direct application of steam to the wastes operated such that liquid and vapor flow rates, as well as, temperature and pressure ranges, have been optimized, monitored, and maintained. These operating parameters are dependent upon the design parameters of the unit such as the number of separation stages and the internal column design. Steam stripping results in a condensed extract high in organics that must undergo thermal treatment, reuse as a fuel, or other recovery/reuse and an extracted wastewater that must undergo further treatment as specified in the standard.

**Storage**—(1) temporary holding of waste pending treatment or disposal. Storage methods include containers, tanks, waste piles, surface impoundments, and containment buildings; (2) the containment of hazardous waste, either on a temporary basis or for a period of years, in such a manner as not to constitute disposal of such hazardous waste; or (3) retrievable retention of waste pending disposal. SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10 defines storage as the holding of hazardous waste for a temporary period, at the end of which the hazardous waste is treated, disposed of, or stored elsewhere.

**Supercompaction**—a volume-reduction method relying on mechanical compaction.

**Technology Based Standard**—a restricted waste for which a technology based standard is specified may be land disposed after it is treated using that specified technology or an equivalent treatment method approved by the Administrator of the EPA.

**Thermal Recovery of Lead (RLEAD)**—thermal recovery of lead in secondary lead smelters. A technology based treatment standard defined in SCHWMR R.61-79.268.42.

**Thermal Treatment**—the treatment of hazardous waste in a device that uses elevated temperatures as the primary means to change the chemical, physical, or biological character or composition of the hazardous waste. Examples of thermal treatment processes are thermal treatment, pyrolysis, calcination, wet air oxidation, and microwave discharge.

**Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP)**—a test designed to determine the mobility of both organic and inorganic analytes present in liquid, solid, or multi-phase wastes. If a solid waste analyzed using this method or approved equivalent demonstrates contaminant levels in excess of the listed concentrations found in the RCRA regulations, the waste is hazardous for the characteristic of toxicity.

**Transuranic Waste (TRU)**—this core definition appears in modified form in various relevant documents: Waste containing alpha-emitting radionuclides with an atomic number greater than 92 and half-lives greater than 20 years, at concentrations greater than 100 nCi/g of waste. Modifications include the following: (1) For purposes of management, DOE Order 435.1 (a) considers TRU waste, as defined above, “without regard to source or form” [The proposed revision to the Order (“DOE Order 435.1 Major Issues for Revision,” May 6, 1992) contemplates removing this clause.]; (b) allows heads of field elements to determine that wastes containing other alpha-emitting radionuclides must be managed as TRU waste; and (c) adds “at time of assay,” implying both that the classification of a waste as TRU is to be made based on an assay and that such classification can be superseded only by another assay. (2) For purposes of setting standards for management and disposal, 40 CFR 191.02(i) adds “except for: (a) high-level radioactive wastes; (b) wastes that DOE has determined, with the concurrence of the Administrator [of EPA] do not need the degree of isolation required by this part; or (c) wastes that the Commission [NRC] has approved for disposal on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 10 CFR 61 [Licensing Requirements for Land Disposal of Radioactive Wastes].”

**Treatability Group**—based on the radioactive characteristics, hazardous components, and physical/chemical matrices as discussed above, DOE has grouped its wastes to reflect salient treatment considerations for each waste stream. These “treatability groups” are used to relate waste streams and waste quantities to treatment facilities and technology development needs.

**Treatment**—any method, technique, or process, including neutralization, designed to change the physical, chemical, or biological character or composition of any hazardous waste so as to neutralize, recover energy or material resources from the waste, or so as to render such waste nonhazardous, or less hazardous, safer to transport, store or dispose of, or amenable for recovery, amenable for storage, or reduced in volume per SCHWMR R.61-79.260.10.

**Treatment Facility**—the specific area of land, structures, and equipment dedicated to waste treatment and related activities.

**Treatment, Storage, and Disposal (TSD) Facility**—any building, structure, or installation where a mixed or hazardous waste has been treated, stored, or disposed.

**Treatment System**—the equipment and processes used for similar waste types at treatment facilities. A treatment system is the unit treatment operation or sequence of unit treatment operations carried out on all wastes that enter the system (e.g., a treatment system may consist of chemical reduction followed by precipitation or an incinerator and a vitrification unit for the ash).

**Underlying Hazardous Constituent**—means any constituent listed in 40 CFR 268.48 Table UTS—Universal Treatment Standards, except zinc, which can reasonably expected to be present at the point of generation of the hazardous waste at a concentration above the constituent-specific UTS treatment standard.

**Unit**—discrete part of a facility used to treat, store, or dispose of hazardous or mixed waste.

**Universal Treatment Standards**—concentration levels for the constituents listed in 40 CFR 268.48—Table UTS Universal Treatment Standards which are required to be met for underlying hazardous constituents in waste treated for land disposal.

**Variance**—any mechanism or provision which allows modification to or waiver of the generally applicable requirements of R.61-79.124, R.61-79.270, R.61-79.260 through R.61-79.266 SCHWMR.

**Vitrification**—(1) a waste treatment process in which calcined or another decomposed form of waste is mixed with glass and fused into a solid mass. The resultant mass is expected to remain a stable and insoluble form for long time periods, and thus will be a leading candidate for the most benign waste form for disposal (Vitrification with borosilicate glass is the BDAT for HLW and certain mixed waste streams); (2) the conversion of high-level waste materials into a glassy or noncrystalline solid for subsequent disposal; or (3) the process of immobilizing waste that produces a glass-like solid that permanently captures the radioactive materials. Per SCHWMR R.61-79.268.42, vitrification of high level mixed radioactive wastes in units in compliance with all applicable radioactive protection requirements under control of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Volatile Organic Compound (VOC)**—(1) any reactive organic compound; or (2) an organic compound that evaporates (volatilizes) readily at room temperature.

**Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC)**—the criteria used to determine if waste and waste packages are acceptable for treatment, storage, transportation, and disposal purposes.

**Waste Characterization**—activities to determine the extent and nature of the waste. (Note: Waste characterization may be based on process knowledge, nonintrusive nondestructive examination/nondestructive assay [NDE/NDA], or intrusive examination such as sampling and analysis.)

**Wasteform**—the physical form of the waste such as sludges, combustibles, metals, etc.

**Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP)**—(1) the project authorized under §213 of the DOE National Security and Military Applications of Nuclear Energy Authorization Act of 1980 (Public Law 96-164; 93 Stat. 1259, 1265) to demonstrate the safe disposal of radioactive waste materials generated by atomic energy defense activities; or (2) a research and development facility, located near Carlsbad, New Mexico, to be used for demonstrating the safe disposal of TRU wastes from DOE activities.

**Waste Management**—the planning, coordination, and direction of those functions related to generation, handling, treatment, storage, transportation, and disposal of waste as well as associated surveillance and maintenance activities.

**Waste Minimization**—(1) an action that effectively avoids or reduces the generation of waste by source reduction, improving energy usage, or by recycling. This action is consistent with the general goal of minimizing present and future threats to human health, safety, and the environment; or (2) the reduction, to the extent feasible, of hazardous waste that is generated prior to treatment, storage, or disposal of the waste. Waste minimization includes any source reduction or recycling activity that results in either (a) reduction of total volume of hazardous waste, (b) reduction of toxicity of hazardous waste or (c) both.

**Waste Segregation**—the separation of waste materials before the package (or repackaging) process to facilitate handling, storage, treatment, transportation, and/or disposal.

**Waste Stream**—a general term developed for the STP used to describe a volume of waste collected from various locations or generated from a specific process with a similar physical matrix and treatment requirement.

**Wastewaters**—wastes that contain less than 1% by weight total organic carbon (TOC) and less than 1% by weight total suspended solids (TSS) with the following exception: F001, F002, F003, F004, F005 wastewaters are solvent-water mixtures that contain less than 1% by weight TOC or less than 1% by weight total F001, F002, F003, F004, F005 solvent constituents listed in R.61-79.268.40, *Table Constituent Concentrations in Waste Extract*.

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