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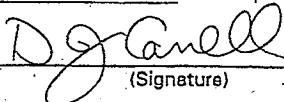
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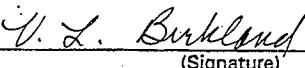
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TERMS

4 BARCT best available radionuclide control technology
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6 CFR *Code of Federal Regulations*
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8 DCRT double-contained receiver tank
9 DOH Washington State Department of Health
10
11 EPA U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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13 HEPA high-efficiency particulate air
14
15 MEI maximally exposed individual
16
17 NOC notice of construction
18
19 SEPA *State Environmental Policy Act of 1971*
20

METRIC CONVERSION CHART

The following conversion chart is provided to the reader as a tool to aid in conversion.

Into metric units

Out of metric units

| If you know | Multiply by | To get | If you know | Multiply by | To get |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Length | | | Length | | |
| inches | 25.40 | millimeters | millimeters | 0.0393 | inches |
| inches | 2.54 | centimeters | centimeters | 0.393 | inches |
| feet | 0.3048 | meters | meters | 3.2808 | feet |
| yards | 0.914 | meters | meters | 1.09 | yards |
| miles | 1.609 | kilometers | kilometers | 0.62 | miles |
| Area | | | Area | | |
| square inches | 6.4516 | square centimeters | square centimeters | 0.155 | square inches |
| square feet | 0.092 | square meters | square meters | 10.7639 | square feet |
| square yards | 0.836 | square meters | square meters | 1.20 | square yards |
| square miles | 2.59 | square kilometers | square kilometers | 0.39 | square miles |
| square miles | 259 | hectares | hectares | 0.00391 | square miles |
| acres | 0.404 | hectares | hectares | 2.471 | acres |
| Mass (weight) | | | Mass (weight) | | |
| ounces | 28.35 | grams | grams | 0.0352 | ounces |
| pounds | 0.453 | kilograms | kilograms | 2.2046 | pounds |
| short ton | 0.907 | metric ton | metric ton | 1.10 | short ton |
| Volume | | | Volume | | |
| fluid ounces | 29.57 | milliliters | milliliters | 0.03 | fluid ounces |
| quarts | 0.95 | liters | liters | 1.057 | quarts |
| gallons | 3.79 | liters | liters | 0.26 | gallons |
| cubic feet | 0.03 | cubic meters | cubic meters | 35.3147 | cubic feet |
| cubic feet per minute | 0.02832 | cubic meters per minute | | | |
| cubic yards | 0.76 | cubic meters | cubic meters | 1.308 | cubic yards |
| Temperature | | | Temperature | | |
| BTU/hour | 2.93 E-4 | kilowatts | | | |
| Fahrenheit | subtract 32 then multiply by 5/9ths | Celsius | Celsius | multiply by 9/5ths, then add 32 | Fahrenheit |

RADIOACTIVE AIR EMISSIONS
NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This document serves as a notice of construction (NOC), pursuant to the requirements of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 246-247-060, and as a request for approval to construct pursuant to 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 61.96, for the use of a portable exhaustor at the 244-AR Vault during air jetting of accumulated liquids from the cell sumps into the tanks and to make transfers among the tanks within the vault when needed.

16 The 244-AR Vault is considered to be a double-contained receiver tank
17 (DCRT) based on its functional characteristics, although it is not listed as
18 one of the five designated DCRTs in the 200 Area Tank Farm systems. Process
19 operations at the vault have been inactive since 1978 and the vault's two
20 stacks have not operated since 1993. Since cessation of vault operations an
21 extremely large amount of rain water and snow melt have accumulated in the
22 cell sumps. The water level in the sumps is substantially above their
23 respective operating levels and there is concern for leakage to the
24 environment through containment failure due to corrosion from backed-up sump
25 liquid.

27 Active ventilation is required to provide contamination control during
28 air jetting operations within the vault. It has been determined that it would
29 not be cost effective to repair the existing exhaust systems to an operational
30 condition, thus, a portable exhauster will be used to support the intermittent
31 operations.

2.0 FACILITY LOCATION (Requirement 1)

The 244-AR Vault is located west of the 241-A Tank Farm in the 200 East Area of the Hanford Site. Figure 1 shows the location of the 200 East Area within the Hanford Site. Figure 2 shows the location of the 244-AR Vault within the 200 East Area. The geodetic coordinates of the 244-AR Vault are as follows:

Latitude: 46°, 33", 12.29' North
Longitude: 119°, 31", 06.38' West

6 U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office
7 Hanford Site
8 200 East Area, 244-AR Vault
9 Richland, Washington 99352

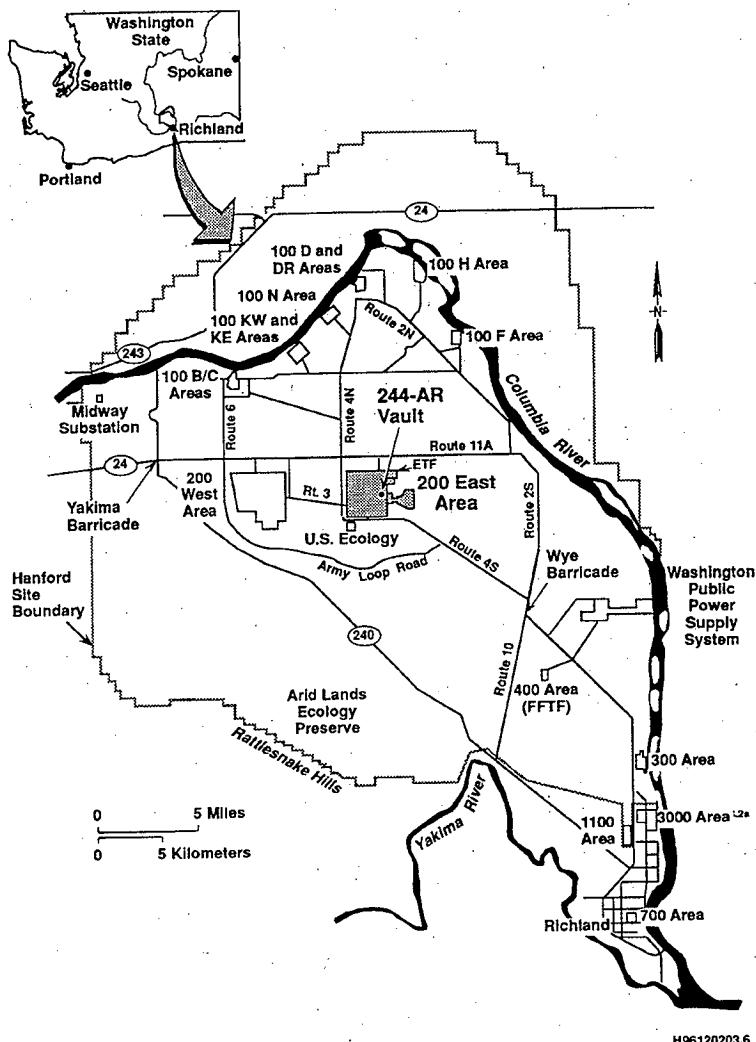


Figure 1. Hanford Site.

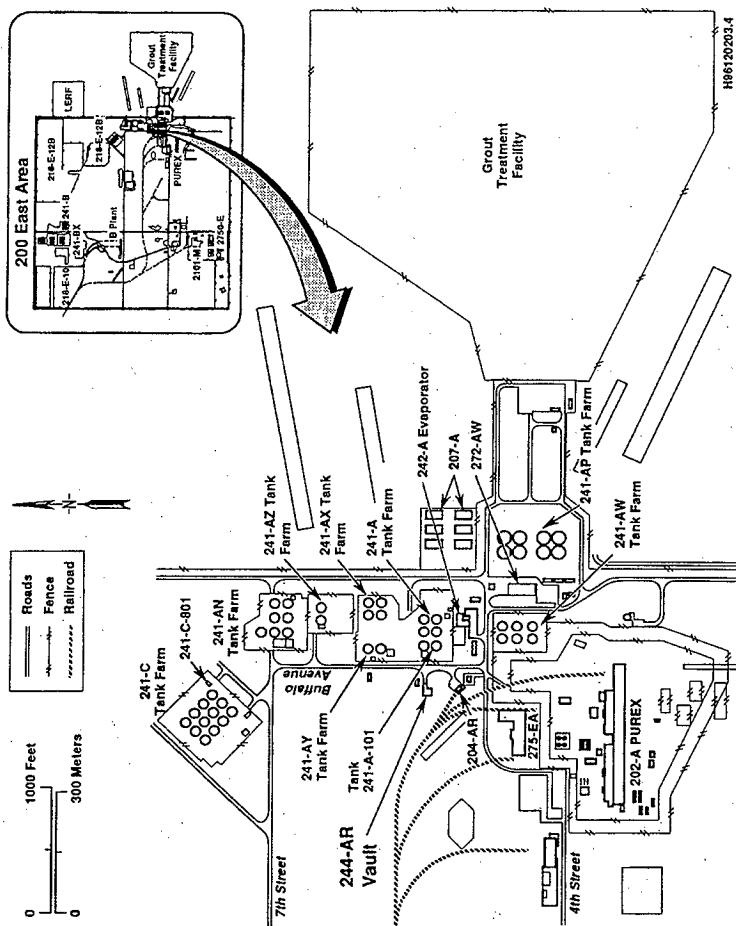


Figure 2. Location of the 244-AR Vault within the 200 East Area.

3.0 RESPONSIBLE MANAGER (Requirement 2)

The responsible manager's name and address are as follows:

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Richland, Washington 99352
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4.0 TYPE OF PROPOSED ACTION (Requirement 3)

The proposed action is a significant modification to an existing emission unit. The proposed modification is to install and operate a portable exhauster at the 244-AR Vault during air jetting of accumulated liquids from the cell sumps into the tanks, and to make transfers among the tanks within the vault when needed. The existing 244-AR stack identification numbers are 296-A-12 and 296-A-13. The portable exhauster emissions will be reported under stack identification 296-A-13.

5.0 STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (Requirement 4)

This activity is categorically exempt from the State Environmental Policy Act process.

6.0 PROCESS DESCRIPTION (Requirements 5 and 7)

The original purpose of the 244-AR Vault, beginning in 1966, was to transfer waste from the PUREX Facility, A-Tank Farm, and AX-Tank Farm to B Plant. The facility was a transfer station and a temporary storage and waste acidification facility in support of the strontium and cesium removal that was accomplished at B-Plant. The vault has not transferred waste since April of 1978. It was then cleaned out with the exception of 2,271 liters of sludge. Some jetting of the sumps into the tanks occurred between 1978 and 1993. Operations in the vault have since been inactive except for entries for monitoring, minor maintenance and inspections.

The 244-AR Vault has two, non-operational stacks: the vessel vent stack (296-A-12) and the canyon stack (296-A-13). The vessel vent stack has not operated since February 1993. When operational, it had intermittently ventilated the four tanks within the vault during process operations. These tanks are held in cells and are separated from the vault canyon by non-airtight cover blocks. The cells are open to the canyon through a canyon-to-cell ventilation duct between Cell 3 and the canyon. The cells are

1 also open to each other through ventilation duct between the cell walls.
2 (Figure 3). The canyon stack has been inactive since July 1993. When
3 operational, it had continuously ventilated the canyon and the three cells
4 containing the tanks.
5

6 Since cessation of vault operations, an extremely large amount of rain
7 water and snow melt have accumulated in the cell sumps. The water level in
8 the sumps is substantially above their respective operating levels. The water
9 level in Cell 1 Sump is higher than the drain line from the failed equipment
10 storage caisson outside and directly adjacent to the cell (Figure 3). There
11 is concern that the galvanized caisson, installed in 1965, could fail due to
12 corrosion from backed up sump liquid. Also, the sump liquid level in Cell 3
13 is approximately 78 centimeters from a seal pot drain line penetration. This
14 situation is not as great of a concern for containment failure as the
15 galvanized caisson because the seal pot and the piping is constructed of
16 stainless steel.
17

18 Active ventilation is required to air jet the accumulated liquids from
19 the cell sumps into the tanks and to make transfers among the tanks within the
20 vault. Air jetting will employ the existing steam operated systems modified
21 to use compressed air. The best air jetting rate obtainable, with compressed
22 air, is 6.4 liters per minute. Personnel entry into the facility is not
23 required for air jetting operations, however, personnel entries will not be
24 restricted during air jetting operations. Air jetting events will occur
25 periodically, as liquid is detected in the sumps, in accordance with dangerous
26 waste regulations.
27

28 The 244-AR Vault has its own ventilation/exhaust systems, however, due to
29 high costs of bringing the systems back into operation after years of
30 inactivity, a rotary mode core sampling (RMCS) portable exhauster will be used
31 to maintain a negative pressure on the tanks during pumping. Three of the
32 RMCS exhauster systems have been approved by the EPA and DOH for use during
33 rotary core sampling of single-shell tank waste. The RMCS portable exhauster
34 will be connected to an existing monitoring riser, for the vessel ventilation
35 system, outside the vault (Figure 4). The riser will be equipped with a G-1
36 Series HEPA filter. Together, the riser HEPA filter and the RMCS exhauster
37 make up the temporary vessel ventilation system. The valves/dampers isolating
38 the vessel vent from the existing 244-AR filter banks are normally closed and
39 will remain closed during operation of the portable exhauster. These valves
40 will also isolate the existing facility filter banks from the portable
41 exhauster. Once a jetting campaign is complete, the temporary vessel
42 ventilation system will be physically isolated from the vault and the existing
43 ventilation systems by ensuring valves MK-4-1, MK-4-3 and MK-4-4 are closed
44 (Figure 4). As the exhauster operates, a negative pressure will be pulled on
45 all four tanks through a common header at 5.7 cubic meters per minute. The
46 tanks are not air tight, therefore, air infiltrates into the tanks from the
47 cells and canyon through various equipment connections (instrumentation,
48 jumpers, pumps, agitators, steam jets, etc.).

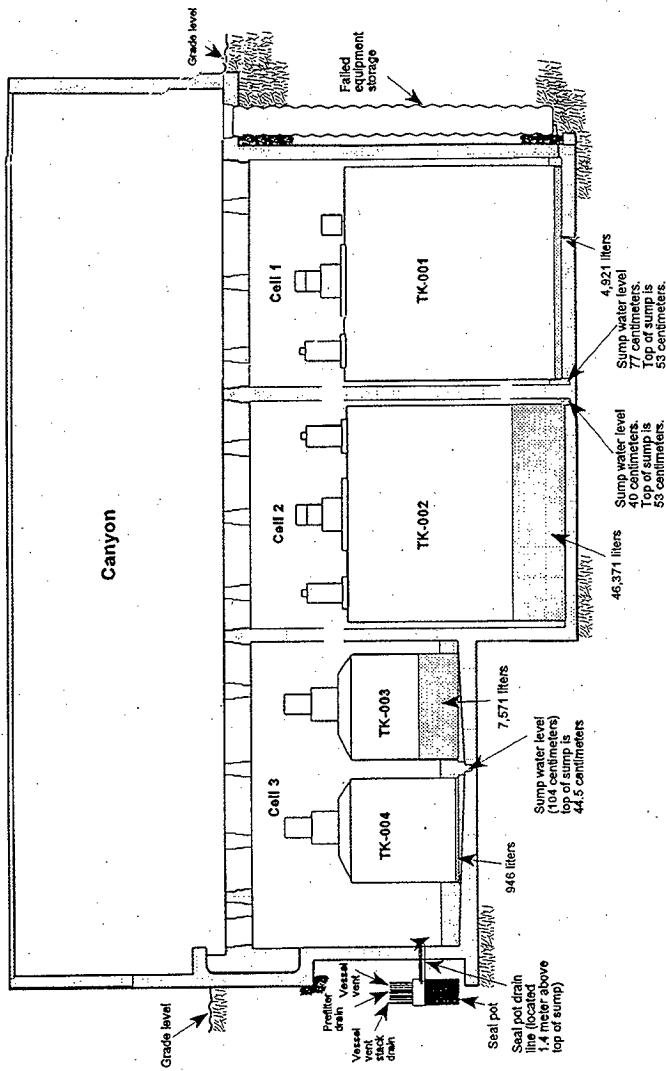


Figure 3. 244-AR Vault.

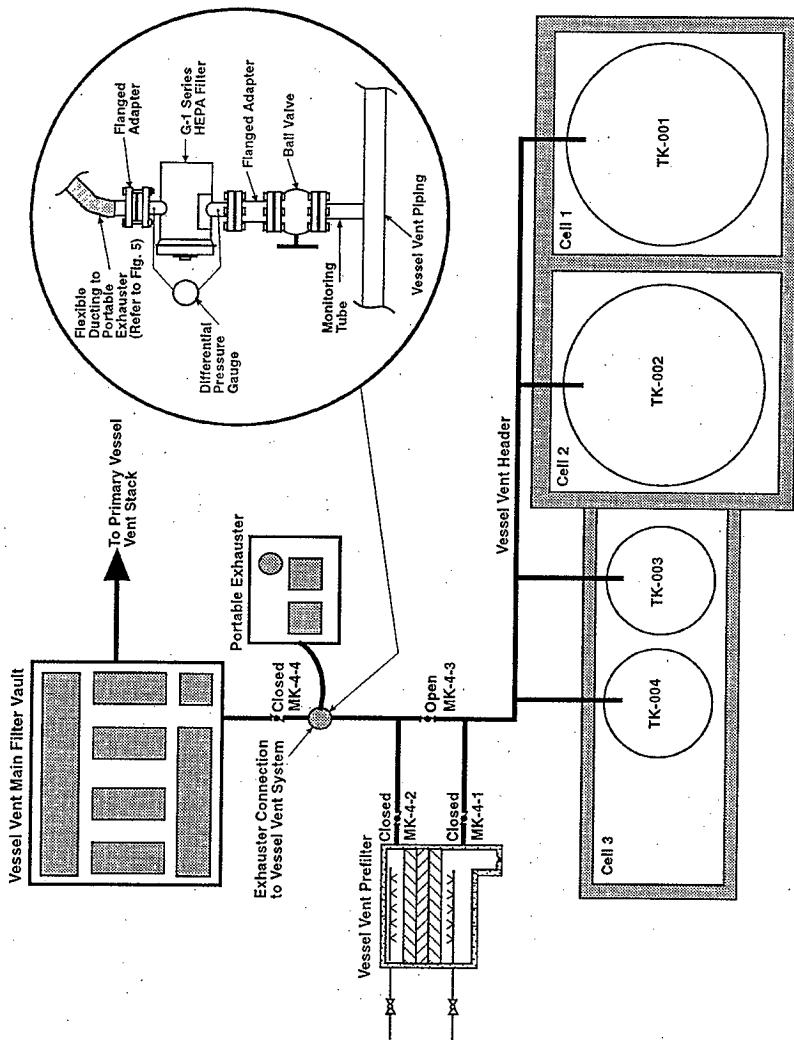


Figure 4. Portable Exhauster Connection Configuration.

1 **7.0 ANNUAL POSSESSION QUANTITY AND PHYSICAL FORM**

2 (Requirements 8, 10, 11, and 12)

3

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5 Currently the 244-AR Vault contains 59,800 liters of liquid and sludge in
6 its tanks, and 13,172 liters of liquid and settled particulates in its sumps.
7 The inventory is comprised of the following three components and is quantified
8 in Table 1.

9

10 1) 2,271 liters of liquid waste and sludge in tanks 002 and 004. This
11 waste originated from double-shell tank 241-AX-104. It was transferred to
12 244-AR to be used as a radioactive waste sample for waste vitrification
13 studies. The studies were never performed and the waste has been in the tanks
14 since April 1978 (Appendix A).

15

16 This portion of the inventory comprises 98 percent of the curie content
17 in the vault. Its predominant radionuclides are strontium and cesium. The
18 values for strontium and cesium are based on the analysis of a sludge sample
19 taken from Tank 004 in 1978. The sample was taken to determine the heat
20 generation of the residual sludge in tank 241-AX-104. The results of the
21 sample analysis and heat generation calculations are shown in Appendix B. The
22 values in Table 1 have been decay corrected 18 years from the values presented
23 in Appendix B. Values for the other radionuclides were estimated by the Tank
24 Layering Model (TLM) for tank 241-AX-104. The model produced a solids
25 composite inventory that is shown in Appendix C. Strontium and cesium values
26 from Appendix C are not included in Table 1 because the values from the sludge
27 sample (Appendix B) provide a more conservative estimate.

28

29 2) 57,538 liters of rain water, steam condensate and raw water pumped
30 from the sumps into the tanks during facility operation.

31

32 The contribution to the radionuclide inventory of this component of the
33 inventory was not quantified. Its radionuclide content is insignificant in
34 comparison to the waste in Tanks 002 and 004 above. It significantly
35 increased the volume in the tanks but not the radionuclide concentrations.

36

37 3) 13,172 liters of rain water and snow melt currently accumulated in
38 the sumps, and surface contamination residing on the inside of the facility.

39

40 This portion of the inventory contributes 0.1 curie of strontium-90. It
41 is calculated in Appendix D. This quantification is consistent with the
42 NESHAPs designation quantification of curie content available for release from
43 the Canyon Stack 296-A-13. The estimate is based on beta/gamma survey data
44 taken May of 1987 and confirmed as still current in June of 1995. The survey
45 data showed loose contamination, of which all is assumed to be strontium-90.
46 The contamination is also assumed to be uniformly distributed over all
47 ventilated surface areas. This estimate conservatively assumes that the
48 entire 0.1 curie contained in the loose contamination is in the sump and
49 available for release.

Table 1. Radionuclide Inventory for the 244-AR Vault.

| Radionuclide | Physical form | Concentration (curies per liter) | Volume (liters) | Inventory (curies) | Percent of total inventory (%) | Comments |
|--------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Sr-89/90* | Sludge/liquid | 51.8 | 2,270 | 1.18 E+05 | 98.37 | Contribution from tank contents. Data from tank 004 sludge sample. Refer to Appendix B. |
| Cs-137* | Sludge/liquid | 0.85 | 2,270 | 1.93 E+03 | 1.61 | |
| Tc-99 | Sludge/liquid | 1.69 E-04 | 2,270 | 3.84 E-01 | 0.00 | |
| I-129 | Sludge/liquid | 3.20 E-07 | 2,270 | 7.26 E-04 | 0.00 | |
| U-232 | Sludge/liquid | 6.04 E-12 | 2,270 | 1.37 E-08 | 0.00 | |
| U-233 | Sludge/liquid | 1.62 E-13 | 2,270 | 3.68 E-10 | 0.00 | |
| U-234 | Sludge/liquid | 1.00 E-07 | 2,270 | 2.27 E-04 | 0.00 | |
| U-235 | Sludge/liquid | 4.19 E-09 | 2,270 | 9.51 E-06 | 0.00 | |
| U-236 | Sludge/liquid | 2.35 E-09 | 2,270 | 5.33 E-06 | 0.00 | |
| U-238 | Sludge/liquid | 9.84 E-08 | 2,270 | 2.23 E-04 | 0.00 | |
| Np-237 | Sludge/liquid | 5.48 E-07 | 2,270 | 1.24 E-03 | 0.00 | |
| Pu-238 | Sludge/liquid | 4.38 E-05 | 2,270 | 9.90 E-02 | 0.00 | |
| Pu-239 | Sludge/liquid | 2.05 E-03 | 2,270 | 4.65 E+00 | 0.00 | |
| Pu-240 | Sludge/liquid | 3.20 E-04 | 2,270 | 7.26 E-01 | 0.00 | |
| Pu-241 | Sludge/liquid | 3.34 E-03 | 2,270 | 7.58 E+00 | 0.01 | |
| Pu-242 | Sludge/liquid | 1.10 E-08 | 2,270 | 2.50 E-05 | 0.00 | |
| Am-241 | Sludge/liquid | 7.15 E-05 | 2,270 | 1.62 E-01 | 0.00 | |
| Am-243 | Sludge/liquid | 1.80 E-09 | 2,270 | 4.09 E-06 | 0.00 | |
| Sr-90 | Liquid/particulate | N/A | 13,172 | 0.1 | 0.00 | Contribution from sumps and surface contamination in the facility. Data from smear samples. Refer to Appendix D. |
| TOTAL | | | | 1.20 E+05 | 100.00 | |

* Decay corrected 18 years from data in Appendix B.

Shaded area indicates the radionuclides contributing 10 percent or more of the unabated total effective dose equivalent to the maximally exposed individual.

Review of historical records/data and interviews with operational personnel confirm that no transfers have been made to the facility and that no leaks have occurred from the facility's tanks into the sumps since 1978. Therefore, the sumps' current contents are presumed to be rain or raw water. Facility associated seal pots, filter vaults and stacks do drain back to Cell 3 Sump. This drainage, however, is not believed to contribute significantly to the radionuclide inventory and is adequately accounted for in the estimate.

Since 1978, the 244-AR Vault has been utilized, at times, as a central low point collection for secondary containment during waste transfers between other facilities. This would provide the opportunity for the 244-AR Vault to receive leakage from these waste transfer lines. By design any transfer line leakage is drained to either Tank 001 or Tank 002. Tank liquid level

1 measurements are taken daily and have shown that no measurable increases or
2 decreases, beyond the documented air jetting and transfers within the vault,
3 have occurred since 1978. There is no data supporting the evidence that such
4 leakage accumulation occurred. The radionuclide inventory for Tank 002 is
5 bounded by the sludge sample analysis from Appendix B. If transfer line
6 leakage has drained to the vault, it is sufficiently small enough (below
7 instrumentation detection levels) that the total inventory estimate accounts
8 for it.

10

11 **8.0 CONTROL SYSTEM (Requirement 6)**

12

13

14 A RMCS portable exhauster will be used to maintain a negative pressure on
15 the tanks during air jetting. An additional standard tank farm G-1 Series
16 high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filter will be used in conjunction with
17 the RMCS exhauster system in providing active ventilation during air jetting
18 events. These two components together make up the temporary vessel
19 ventilation system.

20 During exhauster operation, the 244-AR facility ventilation system will
21 be valved closed from the exhaust flow lines. Offgas will be pulled from all
22 four tanks in the vault through a common header, it will flow through the G-1
23 HEPA filter before entering the RMCS exhauster system (Figure 5). The RMCS
24 exhauster system consists of a heater, a prefilter followed by two HEPA
25 filters, all in series, the exhaust fan and a stack. The heater will not be
26 energized in this application.

27 The G-1 HEPA filter is 30.5 centimeters square by 29.2 centimeters deep.
28 It is installed in a 55.9 centimeter diameter housing with fluid seals. Its
29 fail rating is at a differential pressure (DP) of 10 inches of water.
30 Operational procedures for air jetting limit the DP to 5 inches of water. A
31 5.7 cubic meter per minute flow rate corresponds to a DP of 1.25 inches of
32 water. Its housing is flanged and is connected directly in-line upstream of
33 the RMCS exhauster. The RMCS HEPA filters are 61 centimeters square by 29.2
34 centimeters deep and are rated for 28.3 cubic meters per minute flow. All the
35 HEPA filters (G-1 and RMCS) are 99.95 percent efficient for the removal of
36 particulates 3 microns and larger.

37 The G-1 HEPA is fully compliant with the requirements of ASME N509/510.
38 The RMCS HEPA's are compliant with the intent of ASME N509/510, however, the
39 physical design of the filter housing and the manufacturer's qualification of
40 the fan motor rating differ slightly from the ASME standards. Therefore, an
41 equivalency demonstration of the equipment is provided in Appendix E,
42 ASME/ANSI N509 and N510 Equivalency Demonstration. In this application of
43 exhausting the 244-AR vault, the first tier of HEPA filtration is provided by
44 the G-1 series filter, the second tier is provided by the RMCS HEPA filters
45 tested as one.

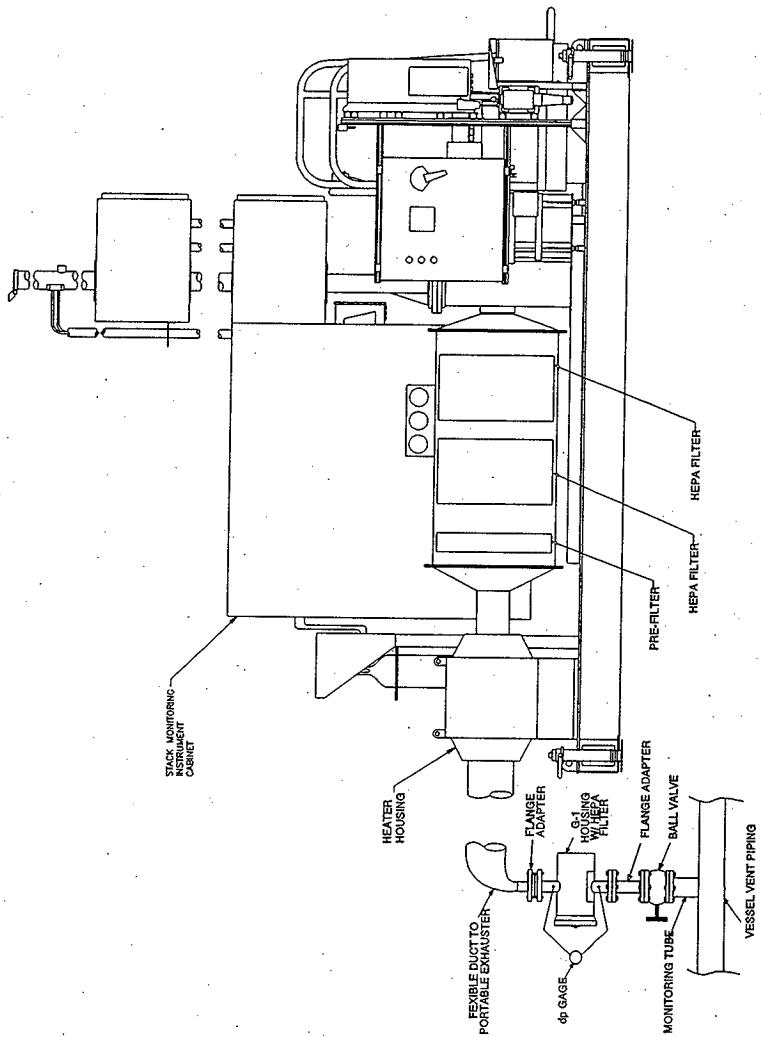


Figure 5. Exhaust System Design Drawing.

1 The fan is rated for 28.3 cubic meters per minute. In this application
2 the flow is reduced to 5.7 cubic meters per minute by use of a variable speed
3 drive that controls the fan motor revolutions per minute (RPM) to maintain a
4 constant flow out the stack. The variable speed drive uses stack flow rate as
5 an input variable, therefore, as the filters load, the fan RPM is increased to
6 maintain constant flow.

7
8 The stack is circular, 10.2 centimeters in diameter and approximately
9 4.6 meters high from ground level. Exhaust temperatures are designed to be
10 between 32 and 38 °C.

13 9.0 MONITORING SYSTEM (Requirement 9)

14
15 The potential unabated total effective dose for this application of a
16 portable exhauster is greater than 0.1 millirem per year. Therefore, the
17 exhauster stack will be equipped with sampling equipment designed and operated
18 in accordance with 40 CFR 61, Subpart H and its referenced requirements.

22 9.1 EXHAUSTER SAMPLING AND MONITORING

23
24 The sampling and monitoring system is designed to collect particulate
25 samples isokinetically for a monodispersed particle size distribution of
26 10 micrometers.

27
28 The sample probe, the Beta CAM probe and velocity measurement locations
29 are in compliance with 40 CFR 60 Appendix A Method 1A. The stack flow
30 measurements are obtained with automated, continuous flow instrumentation¹
31 which was certified accurate in accordance with 40 CFR 52 Appendix E as
32 previously negotiated with the EPA (Leitch 1993).

33
34 Sample flow measurement accuracy is in compliance with 40 CFR 60
35 Appendix A Method 2A. Density compensations are made for temperature and
36 pressure changes and sample flow is controlled proportionally to the stack
37 flow as conditions vary. The record sample filter accumulates continuous
38 samples for periodic laboratory analysis. The record sample housing can
39 accommodate radioiodine absorber cartridges, however, one will not be used
40 during this application of the exhauster. The record sampler and the CAM head
41 are short coupled to the sample probe to minimize losses. An interlock is
42 installed to shut down the exhaust fan if the Beta CAM detects an elevated
43 emission event.

44
45 The sampler will operate continuously during exhauster operation, the CAM
46 may operate continuously but does not have a requirement to do so. Both will

47 ¹ Automated flow instrumentation is an application of total differential
48 pressure, static differential pressure and temperature instrumentation that
49 converts signal inputs into a mass flow output.

1 be calibrated and audited in accordance with the current tank farms
2 procedures.
3

5 **9.2 BUILDING SAMPLING AND MONITORING**

7 Although no personnel entry is required for an air jetting campaign,
8 standard procedures for air and surface monitoring are in place for entries
9 undertaken with or without the use of an exhauster. These procedures ensure
10 personnel and environmental exposures are kept ALARA.

12 In accordance with the Tank Farm Health and Safety Plan (HASP), prior to
13 any entry into the 244-AR Vault, Immediate Danger to Life and Health (IDLH)
14 samples will be taken. The samples measure oxygen, ammonia, organics,
15 hydrogen, and toxic constituents. IDLH samples found to exceed the allowable
16 levels required by the Tank Farm HASP are reported to the State of Washington
17 Department of Ecology.

19 Investigative radiological surveys are required prior to entry into the
20 vault, to determine the radiological conditions within. The found conditions
21 are compared to past surveys for trending purposes, will be used to determine
22 the personnel protective equipment needed and to what degree ALARA will be
23 applied. Workers entering the canyon are required to be on mask because of
24 the radiological hazards. Baseline smear samples were taken in the canyon and
25 the air lock on 2-6-97. Along the floor, the overall average readings were
26 400,000 dpm beta and 400 dpm alpha. The general reading dose rates over the
27 cover blocks were 30/90 mrad/h beta and 8/8 dpm gamma. The airlock readings
28 were all < 1000 dpm beta and < 20 dpm alpha. Dose rates for the airlock
29 reflected a maximum whole body count of <.5 MR per hour beta/gamma. The
30 highest reading for contamination levels in the air lock was 4,000 dpm beta
31 with an average of 2,000 dpm beta and < 20 alpha. Also, a portable air
32 sampler was stationed in the canyon and air lock on January 21, 1997 to
33 radiologically characterize the air in the canyon. The resulting data showed
34 an alpha concentration of 6.8 E-13 microcuries per milliliter and a beta
35 concentration of 5.3 E-10 microcuries per milliliter. These air
36 concentrations are low and as trending has shown, are not expected to vary
37 greatly. They correspond to an annual offsite dose of 3.2 E-11 millirem for
38 every cubic meter of fugitive air emitted from the building.

40 Entries made with or without an exhauster in operation depend on these
41 procedures and the use of the facility's air lock protocol to keep diffuse
42 emissions to ALARA. Entries/activities undertaken without an exhauster in
43 operation are limited to monitoring, minor maintenance, and inspections.
44 Diffuse and fugitive emissions from this facility are accounted for in the
45 annual air emissions report through the near-facility monitoring program and
46 the environmental surveillance monitoring program.

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1 10.0 RELEASE RATES (Requirement 13)

2 3 Emissions resulting from the use of a portable exhauster on the
3 4 244-AR Vault during air jetting of accumulated liquids from the cell sumps
5 5 into the tanks and making transfers among the tanks within the vault are
6 6 expected to be low to moderate.

7 7 The mechanism for increased emissions from this activity is the
8 8 generation of aerosols by means of splashing at the surface due to incoming
9 9 liquid, and particulates being picked up and swept into the head space as a
10 10 result of active ventilation inside the tank. It should be noted that the
11 11 original 2,271 liters of sludge has been covered/diluted with approximately
12 12 57,538 liters of water, and is not available at the surface for aerosol
13 13 generation. Air jetting will occur at a rate less than 7.5 liters per minute.
14 14 Liquid transferred into a tank from a sump or another tank will be entrained
15 15 with air due to the jetting process. Jetting air pressures will be between
16 16 0.62 and .66 megapascals (90 to 95 pounds per square inch). The liquid will
17 17 enter the tank partially atomized. The atomized portion is expected to
18 18 condense on inside tank surfaces and/or slowly fall to the waste surface. The
19 19 liquid portion will cascade down from the top of the tank. Cascade heights
20 20 range from about 1 meter to about 4.5 meters. At an air jetting rate of
21 21 7.5 liter per minute and partial atomization the disturbance at the surface of
22 22 the waste is expected to be minimal. The sludge, carrying 98 percent of the
23 23 inventory, at the bottom of the tank will not be disturbed by liquid being
24 24 introduced into the tank at 7.5 liters per minute. Also, the 5.7 cubic meters
25 25 per minute flow rate provided by the portable exhauster is split among the
26 26 four tanks. The actual flow rates at each tank have not been calculated.
27 27 However, they can be assumed to be sufficiently low enough that the
28 28 particulate dispersion at the surface of the waste, due to the increased air
29 29 velocity, will also be minimal.

30 30 10.1 UNABATED EMISSIONS

31 31 The unabated emissions estimate includes contributions from the sludge in
32 32 the tanks (Appendix B and C), and the liquid in the sumps, assumed
33 33 contaminated by loose surface contamination inside the facility (Appendix D).
34 34 The estimate very conservatively assumes that the entire radionuclide
35 35 inventory in the sludge and in the sumps is available for release. The
36 36 release fraction for particulates from 40 CFR 61 Appendix D (1.0 E-03) is
37 37 used. The potential annual unabated emissions are shown in Table 2.

38 38 10.2 ABATED EMISSIONS

39 39 The abated emissions were calculated by dividing the unabated emissions
40 40 by the overall decontamination factor (DF) of the filter system. The DF ($DF =$
41 41 1/1-efficiency) for each HEPA filter is 2,000. The overall DF is determined by
42 42 multiplying the DFs for the individual components together. It is 4 E+06 for
43 43 this filter system. The potential annual abated emissions are also shown in
44 44 Table 2.

Table 2. Potential Annual Unabated and Abated Emissions.

| Radionuclide | Inventory (curies) | Release fraction | Annual unabated emissions (curies per year) | Overall decontamination factor | Annual abated emissions (curies per year) | Comments |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|--|
| Sr-89/90 | 1.18 E+05 | 1.00 E-03 | 1.18 E+02 | 4.00 E+06 | 2.94 E-05 | Contribution from tank contents. Data from tank 004 sludge sample. Refer to Appendix B. |
| Cs-137 | 1.93 E+03 | 1.00 E-03 | 1.93 E+00 | 4.00 E+06 | 4.82 E-07 | |
| Tc-99 | 3.84 E-01 | 1.00 E-03 | 3.84 E-04 | 4.00 E+06 | 9.59 E-11 | |
| I-129 | 7.26 E-04 | 1.00 E+00 | 7.26 E-04 | 1.00 E+00 | 7.28 E-04 | |
| U-232 | 1.37 E-08 | 1.00 E-03 | 1.37 E-11 | 4.00 E+06 | 3.43 E-18 | |
| U-233 | 3.68 E-10 | 1.00 E-03 | 3.68 E-13 | 4.00 E+06 | 9.19 E-20 | |
| U-234 | 2.27 E-04 | 1.00 E-03 | 2.27 E-07 | 4.00 E+06 | 5.68 E-14 | |
| U-235 | 9.51 E-06 | 1.00 E-03 | 9.51 E-09 | 4.00 E+06 | 2.38 E-15 | Contribution from tank contents. Data from Tank Layering Model solids composite for 241-AX-104. |
| U-236 | 5.33 E-06 | 1.00 E-03 | 5.33 E-09 | 4.00 E+06 | 1.33 E-15 | Refer to Appendix C. |
| U-238 | 2.23 E-04 | 1.00 E-03 | 2.23 E-07 | 4.00 E+06 | 5.58 E-14 | |
| Np-237 | 1.24 E-03 | 1.00 E-03 | 1.24 E-06 | 4.00 E+06 | 3.11 E-13 | |
| Pu-238 | 9.94 E-02 | 1.00 E-03 | 9.94 E-05 | 4.00 E+06 | 2.49 E-11 | |
| Pu-239 | 4.65 E+00 | 1.00 E-03 | 4.65 E-03 | 4.00 E+06 | 1.16 E-09 | |
| Pu-240 | 7.26 E-01 | 1.00 E-03 | 7.26 E-04 | 4.00 E+06 | 1.82 E-10 | |
| Pu-241 | 7.58 E+00 | 1.00 E-03 | 7.58 E-03 | 4.00 E+06 | 1.90 E-09 | |
| Pu-242 | 2.50 E-05 | 1.00 E-03 | 2.50 E-08 | 4.00 E+06 | 6.24 E-15 | |
| Am-241 | 1.62 E-01 | 1.00 E-03 | 1.62 E-04 | 4.00 E+06 | 4.06 E-11 | |
| Am-243 | 4.09 E-06 | 1.00 E-03 | 4.09 E-09 | 4.00 E+06 | 1.02 E-15 | |
| Sr-90 | 0.1 | 1.00 E-03 | 1.00 E-04 | 4.00 E+06 | 2.50 E-11 | Contribution from sumps and surface contamination in the facility. Data from smear samples. Refer to Appendix D. |

Shaded area indicates the radionuclides contributing 10 percent or more of the unabated total effective dose equivalent to the maximally exposed individual.

11.0 OFFSITE IMPACT (Requirements 14 and 15)

This section contains information regarding the effective dose equivalents to the maximally exposed individual (MEI) offsite resulting from unabated and abated emissions from operation of a portable exhauster on the 244-AR Vault during air jetting. The MEI is located 16 kilometers east of the 200 East Area. The potential unabated dose and potential abated dose are shown in Table 3. The unit dose factors included in the tables and the information required to develop the unit dose factors from the Clean Air Assessment Package 1988 computer code are included in *Unit Dose Calculation Methods Summary of Facility Effluent Monitoring Plan Determinations* (WHC 1991). This document has been previously submitted to the Washington State Department of Health. The meteorological data and stack height used to generate the unit dose factors are 1983 through 1987 and 10 meters respectively.

Table 3. Potential Annual Unabated and Abated Dose.

| Radionuclide | CAP 88 unit dose factor (millirem per curie) | Annual unabated emissions (curies per year) | Annual unabated dose (millirem per year) | Percent of total dose (%) | Annual abated emissions (curies per year) | Annual abated dose (millirem per year) | Comments |
|--------------|--|---|--|---------------------------|---|--|---|
| Sr-89/90 | 4.38 E-02 | 1.18 E+02 | 5.15 E+00 | 98.15 | 2.94 E-05 | 1.29 E-06 | Contribution from tank contents. Data from tank 004 sludge sample. Refer to Appendix B. |
| Cs-137 | 2.39 E-02 | 1.93 E+00 | 4.61 E-02 | 0.88 | 4.82 E-07 | 1.15 E-08 | |
| Tc-99 | 1.09 E-03 | 3.84 E-04 | 4.18 E-07 | 0.00 | 9.59 E-11 | 1.05 E-13 | |
| I-129 | 2.91 E-01 | 7.26 E-04 | 2.11 E-04 | 0.00 | 7.26 E-04 | 2.11 E-04 | |
| U-232* | | 1.37 E-11 | 0.00 E+00 | 0.00 | 3.43 E-18 | 0.00 E+00 | |
| U-233 | 3.23 E+00 | 3.68 E-13 | 1.19 E-12 | 0.00 | 9.19 E-20 | 2.97 E-19 | |
| U-234 | 3.19 E+00 | 2.27 E-07 | 7.24 E-07 | 0.00 | 5.68 E-14 | 1.81 E-13 | |
| U-235 | 2.96 E+00 | 9.51 E-09 | 2.82 E-08 | 0.00 | 2.38 E-15 | 7.04 E-15 | |
| U-236 | 3.02 E+00 | 5.33 E-09 | 1.61 E-08 | 0.00 | 1.33 E-15 | 4.03 E-15 | |
| U-238 | 2.84 E+00 | 2.23 E-07 | 6.34 E-07 | 0.00 | 5.58 E-14 | 1.59 E-13 | |
| Np-237* | | 1.24 E-06 | 0.00 E+00 | 0.00 | 3.11 E-13 | 0.00 E+00 | |
| Pu-238 | 8.02 E+00 | 9.94 E-05 | 7.97 E-04 | 0.02 | 2.49 E-11 | 1.99 E-10 | |
| Pu-239 | 8.67 E+00 | 4.65 E-03 | 4.03 E-02 | 0.77 | 1.16 E-09 | 1.01 E-08 | |
| Pu-240 | 8.66 E+00 | 7.26 E-04 | 6.29 E-03 | 0.12 | 1.82 E-10 | 1.57 E-09 | |
| Pu-241 | 1.38 E-01 | 7.58 E-03 | 1.05 E-03 | 0.02 | 1.90 E-09 | 2.62 E-10 | |
| Pu-242* | | 2.50 E-08 | 0.00 E+00 | 0.00 | 6.24 E-15 | 0.00 E+00 | |
| Am-241 | 1.31 E+01 | 1.62 E-04 | 2.13 E-03 | 0.04 | 4.06 E-11 | 5.32 E-10 | |
| Am-243* | | 4.09 E-09 | 0.00 E+00 | 0.00 | 1.02 E-15 | 0.00 E+00 | |
| Sr-90 | 4.38 E-02 | 1.00 E-04 | 4.38 E-06 | 0.00 | 2.50 E-11 | 1.10 E-12 | Contribution from sumps and surface contamination in the facility. Data from smear samples. Refer to Appendix D |
| TOTALS | | | 5.25 E+00 | 100.00 | | 2.13 E-04 | |

* No CAP 88 Unit Dose Factor available for 200 Areas.

Shaded area indicates the radionuclides contributing 10 percent or more of the unabated total effective dose equivalent to the maximally exposed individual.

The potential abated dose resulting from the activities presented in this application is 2.1 E-04 millirem per year. The dose resulting from all Hanford Site operations in 1995 was determined to be 2.9 E-03 millirems per year, excluding radon, for the MEI located at Sagemoore Road farm (DOE/RL-96-37). The emissions originating from a portable exhaust operating on the 244-AR Vault, in conjunction with other current operations on the Hanford Site, will not result in a violation of the National Emission Standard of 10 millirems per year.

1 12.0 COST FACTORS AND FACILITY LIFETIME (Requirements 16 and 17)
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34 The HEPA filtration system, as described in Section 8.0, is best
5 available radionuclide control technology (BARCT) for this application as
6 approved in previous BARCT analyses. As such, cost factors for construction,
7 operation, and maintenance of the control technology components and system
8 have not been provided.
910 The minimum design life of the exhauster is 10 years with the appropriate
11 preventative maintenance. The exhauster will be operated continuously during
12 an air jetting event. Air jetting events will occur periodically as liquid is
13 detected in the sumps.
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1516 13.0 TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS (Requirement 18).
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1819 Operating a portable exhauster at the 244-AR Vault has a potential to
20 emit radioactive particles in excess of 0.1 millirem per year TEDE to the MEI;
21 therefore, its design must meet, as applicable, the technology standards
22 listed under Requirement 18. Table 4 summarizes the compliance of emissions
23 control equipment with the listed technology standards.
2425 Table 4. Emissions Control Equipment Standards Compliance.
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| 27 Standard | 28 Does design 29 comply Y/N | 30 If not, what standard was used | 31 Equivalency demonstrati on provided Y/N |
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| ASME/ANSI AG-1 | Y | | N |
| ASME/ANSI N509 | N | Refer to Section 8.0 | Y Appendix E |
| ASME/ANSI N510 | N | Refer to Section 8.0 | Y Appendix E |
| ANSI/ASME NQA-1 | Y | | N |
| ANSI N13.1 | Y | | N |
| 40 CFR 60, Appendix A Test Methods: 1, 1A | Y | | N |
| 2, 2A, 2C, 2D | Y | | N |
| 4 | N | Overall, the air sampling system shall meet the requirements of ANSI N13.1, ANSI N62.18, DOE/EP-0096, DOE/ER-0173T, 40 CFR 52, Appendix E and 40 CFR 60, Appendix A. | N Refer to Section 9.0 |
| 5, 17 | N | | N Refer to Section 9.0 |

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APPENDIX A

INTERIM SAFETY BASIS UPDATE FOR THE 244-AR FACILITY

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5 This appendix contains only page 1 of 3 of the update form. Page 1 of 3
6 contains the pertinent information regarding the waste inventory in the
7 244-AR Vault. This form was completed in 1994.

REVIEWED SAFETY QUESTION SAFETY REVIEW FORM
(Per WHC-IP-0842, 15.9)

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The 244-AR facility was designed to process and handle either CAW waste from PUREX or NCAW waste from Tank Farms storage tanks (A/AX Farms). The waste was then transferred to B-Plant for cesium and strontium recovery. The 244-AR facility operated from 1968 to 1978. Upgrades were planned in 1984 and several projects were started to ready the facility to process NCRW waste. The projects were intended to enhance 244-AR's ventilation and instrumentation systems. In 1988, funding for the upgrades was cut and work on all projects ceased, even though most of the project upgrades were 80-90% complete. A small amount of NCAW waste (< 600 gallons) from AX farms has been stored in 244-AR for approximately 17 years. The NCAW waste, which accounts for the majority of the source term, was being saved for PNL Laboratory Vitrification studies for the Savannah River Plant. The waste was never shipped to PNL and therefore, remains stored in TK-002.

Operations conducts daily surveillances of the sumps and tanks liquid levels in 244-AR. HPT's routinely monitor the facility for potential contamination spreads, since a source term remains within the facility. Since the late 1980's, the K3 canyon exhauster and the K4 vessel ventilation system are the only ventilation systems that have been operated. The other two ventilation systems (K1 and K2) have remained shutdown. The four banks of HEPA filters associated with the canyon exhaust system have not been aerosol tested since June of 1992.

244-AR Vault has been sitting in disrepair for 8-10 years. Only the K3-9-2 exhauster was left running (until July 1993 when shutdown), with no supply ventilation system running (K2 system) as described by the SAR. The K4 system has been operated intermittently, but only during transfers. In addition, the high radiation and high differential pressure (DP) interlocks to shutdown the canyon exhauster have been disabled. All other ventilation systems were either not operated because of equipment problems or simply just left shut down to make it easier to manage 244-AR over the past 10 years. It should be emphasized that the existing HEPA filters needed to be replaced since at least 1 bank of the original HEPA filters was identified as failing prior to 1984. A temporary fix, installing the 3rd HEPA bank and very small 4th bank (six pack) were designed to service the facility until a new system (under project B-462a and B-551) could be installed.

In July 1993, the canyon exhauster was shutdown due to a vibrating motor bearing. The vibrating motor bearings posed a potential hazard to personnel because of noise and the possibility of flying parts. The motor bearings have been replaced but the fan remains shutdown due to problems found with SD-WM-SAR-018, part of the AUTHORIZATION BASIS documentation.

Currently, there is approximately 12,000 gallons of liquid waste contained within 244-A. Most of the solution is contained in TK-001, TK-002, TK-003 and TK-004. However, there is approximately 900 gallons of solution in canyon cell #3 sump. Since the sump is secondary containment for the canyon vessels, the liquid should be jetted to one of the tanks as soon as possible. In order for jetting to occur, canyon as well as vessel ventilation system must be restarted.

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APPENDIX B

HEAT GENERATION OF RESIDUAL SLUDGE IN TANK 104 AX AND
ANALYSIS OF 004 AR SLUDGE

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Subject: Heat Generation of Residual Sludge in Tank 104 AX

A sample of the residual sludge remaining in Tank 104 AX was analyzed. The sample contained 32.9 Ci/l $^{89+90}\text{Sr}$, 1.7 Ci/l ^{137}Cs , and 0.83 Ci/l ^{155}Eu . The calculated heat generation was 0.2316 watts/l. Unfortunately the amount of sample received for analyses was very small and there was a question as to how representative it was. To confirm the analyses a sample of 104 AX sludge which was sluiced to 004 AR was analyzed. The 004 AR material showed 77.9 Ci/l $^{89+90}\text{Sr}$ and 1.26 Ci/l ^{137}Cs . The difference between the two analyses is indeed enough to cast doubt on 104 AX sample. I suggest you use both analyses to calculate the heat impact on the tank and if the difference is significant try to get a more representative sample of the residual sludge. Analyses of the sludges are shown below:

Analysis of Residual 104 AX Sludge

| | | |
|---------------------|-----------|----------------|
| $^{89+90}\text{Sr}$ | 32.9 Ci/l | 0.223 watts/l |
| ^{137}Cs | 1.7 Ci/l | 0.008 watts/l |
| ^{155}Eu | 0.83 Ci/l | 0.0006 watts/l |

Analysis of 004 AR Sludge

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|---------------------|-----------|---------------|
| $^{89+90}\text{Sr}$ | 77.9 Ci/l | 0.530 watts/l |
| ^{137}Cs | 1.26 Ci/l | 0.006 watts/l |

Please let me know your decision on taking another residual sludge sample.

J. S. Buckingham

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APPENDIX C

TANK LAYERING MODEL - SOLIDS COMPOSITE FOR TANK 241-AX-104

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| Single-Shell Tank 241-AX-104 ^{1,2} TLM Solids Composite Inventory Estimate* | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|------------|----------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Physical Properties | | | | | | | |
| Total TLM Waste | 3.56E-04 kg | | | | (7.00 kgal) | | |
| Heat Load | 3.03 kW | | | | (1.04E-04 BTU/hr) | | |
| Bulk Density | (1.34 g/cc) | | | | | | |
| Void Fraction | 0.807 | | | | | | |
| Water wt% | 61.5 | | | | | | |
| TOC wt% C (wet) | 0 | | | | | | |
| Radiochemical Constituents | CI/L | μ CI/g | Ci | -95 CI (CI/L) | -67 CI (CI/L) | +67 CI (CI/L) | +95 CI (CI/L) |
| Sr-90 | 16.6 | 1.23E-04 | 4.39E-05 | 14.9 | 16.1 | 16.8 | 16.9 |
| Tc-99 | 1.69E-04 | 0.126 | 4.47 | 6.38E-05 | 1.16E-04 | 2.22E-04 | 2.72E-04 |
| I-129 | 3.21E-07 | 2.59E-04 | 8.50E-03 | 1.21E-07 | 2.21E-07 | 4.21E-07 | 5.15E-07 |
| Cs-137 | 0.629 | 468 | 1.67E-04 | 0.238 | 0.454 | 0.827 | 1.02 |
| U-232 | 6.04E-12 | 4.49E-09 | 1.60E-07 | 2.28E-12 | 4.17E-12 | 7.93E-12 | 9.76E-12 |
| U-233 | 1.62E-13 | 1.21E-10 | 4.30E-09 | 6.15E-14 | 1.12E-13 | 2.13E-13 | 2.62E-13 |
| U-234 | 1.00E-07 | 7.43E-05 | 2.66E-03 | 3.80E-08 | 6.93E-08 | 1.32E-07 | 1.62E-07 |
| U-235 | 4.19E-09 | 3.12E-06 | 1.11E-04 | 1.59E-09 | 2.90E-09 | 5.51E-09 | 6.78E-09 |
| U-236 | 2.35E-09 | 1.75E-06 | 6.23E-05 | 8.91E-10 | 1.62E-09 | 3.09E-09 | 3.80E-09 |
| U-238 | 9.84E-08 | 7.33E-05 | 2.61E-03 | 3.73E-08 | 6.80E-08 | 1.29E-07 | 1.59E-07 |
| Np-237 | 5.48E-07 | 4.08E-04 | 1.45E-02 | 2.07E-07 | 3.78E-07 | 7.19E-07 | 8.85E-07 |
| Pu-238 | 4.38E-05 | 3.26E-02 | 1.16 | 3.43E-05 | 4.14E-05 | 4.55E-05 | 4.71E-05 |
| Pu-239 | 2.05E-03 | 1.53 | 54.4 | 1.61E-03 | 1.94E-03 | 2.13E-03 | 2.21E-03 |
| Pu-240 | 3.20E-04 | 0.238 | 8.45 | 2.51E-04 | 3.02E-04 | 3.35E-04 | 3.44E-04 |
| Pu-241 | 3.34E-03 | 2.49 | 88.6 | 2.62E-03 | 3.16E-03 | 3.47E-03 | 3.60E-03 |
| Pu-242 | 1.10E-08 | 8.22E-06 | 2.92E-04 | 8.64E-09 | 1.04E-08 | 1.15E-08 | 1.19E-08 |
| Am-241 | 7.15E-05 | 5.33E-02 | 1.90 | 2.71E-05 | 4.94E-05 | 9.40E-05 | 1.16E-04 |
| Am-243 | 1.60E-09 | 1.34E-06 | 4.77E-05 | 6.81E-10 | 1.24E-09 | 2.37E-09 | 2.91E-09 |
| +95 CI (M or g/L) -95 CI (M or g/L) -67 CI (M or g/L) +67 CI (M or g/L) +95 CI Totals M μ g/g kg/L or g/L or g/L g/L | | | | | | | |
| Pu | 3.44E-02 (g/L) | — | 0.913 | 2.70E-02 | 3.25E-02 | 3.58E-02 | 3.71E-02 |
| U | 1.24E-03 | 220 | 7.81 | 4.69E-04 | 8.55E-04 | 1.63E-03 | 2.00E-03 |

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APPENDIX D

QUANTIFICATION OF RADIONUCLIDE INVENTORY IN THE 244-AR VAULT SUMPS

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67 QUANTIFICATION OF RADIONUCLIDE INVENTORY IN THE 244-AR VAULT SUMPS
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The source term contained within the liquid in the 244-AR Vault sumps is estimated to be 0.1 curies of strontium-90, and is consistent with the Tank Farm Stack NESHAP Designation Determination for stack 296-A-13 (Attached). A conservative estimate is to assume that the entire 0.10 curies within the canyon area is now in the sump. The determination was derived using the methodology shown below.

Contained spaces that were ventilated by the 296-A-13 stack consist of the 244-AR Vault canyon and the three cells containing the four tanks. The dimensions and total area are shown below.

18 Table of Ventilated Surface Areas
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| Contained spaces | Width (cm) | Height (cm) | Depth (cm) | Total surface area (cm ²) |
|---------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| Canyon | 2,865 | 1,097 | 549 | 1.1 E+07 |
| Cell 1 | 640 | 998 | 640 | 3.4 E+06 |
| Cell 2 | 640 | 998 | 640 | 3.4 E+06 |
| Cell 3 | 975 | 640 | 366 | 2.4 E+06 |
| Tank dimensions | Radius | Height | Bottom area | |
| Tank 1 | 305 | 602 | 2.9 E+05 | 1.4 E+06 |
| Tank 2 | 305 | 602 | 2.9 E+05 | 1.4 E+06 |
| Tank 3 | 145 | 305 | 6.6 E+04 | 3.4 E+05 |
| Tank 4 | 145 | 305 | 6.6 E+04 | 3.4 E+05 |
| Total bottom areas | | | 7.1 E+05 | -7.1 E+05* |
| Total combined area | | | | 2.3 E+07 |

35 * Adjustment to account for tank bottom surface not exposed.
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37 Radionuclide inventory is based on beta/gamma levels found in survey data
38 in Internal Memo 33680-95-047 from Radiological Engineering and ALARA, subject
39 "CCIP Database Update for Second Quarter 1995", dated June 5, 1995 (Attached).
40 These data showed loose surface beta/gamma contamination at 1 million
41 disintegrations per minute (dpm) per 100 square centimeters. Conservatively,
42 beta (Sr-90) is assumed to represent the radionuclide contamination uniformly
43 distributed over all ventilated surface areas. Any concern regarding the
44 depth of contamination is covered using this approach. The total curie (Ci)
45 content available for release is as follows:

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47 Total Vault Area * Contamination Level * Ci Disintegration Conversion
48 Factor = Total Ci
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50 2.3 E+07 cm² * 1.0 E+06 dpm/(100 cm²) * 1 Ci/2.22E+12 dpm
51 = 0.10 Ci.

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6.0 STACK 296-A-13

6.1 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION/CONFIGURATION

The 296-A-13 stack system ventilates the 244-AR Vault canyon and containment cells associated with the four 244-AR vessels. The 244-AR Vault is located near the 241-A Tank Farm in the 200 East area.

The 244-AR Vault is considered to be a double-contained receiver tank (DCRT) in the Hanford Site Tank Farm Facilities Interim Safety Basis (WHC-SD-WM-ISB-001) based on its functional characteristics, although it is not listed as one of the five DESIGNATED DCRTs in the 200 Area tank system. The 244-AR Vault was first used to transfer waste in 1966. As with the 296-A-12 stack (also part of this facility) this stack is currently not operating. Future uses of this Vault is undetermined at this time.

Contained spaces which are ventilated by the 296-A-13 consist of the 244-AR canyon with dimensions of 94 feet x 18 feet x 36 feet high, two cells with dimensions of 21 feet x 21 feet x 32.8 feet deep each containing one of the two large process tanks, and a cell with dimensions of 32 feet x 12 feet x 21 feet deep containing tanks 3 and 4.

Air is drawn in from the non-radiologically controlled 244-AR ventilation system and passes through a heater, pre-filter, and water scrubber system before entering the 244-AR canyon. The air then passes through the three containment cells and then through two HEPA filter banks before being exhausted at the 296-A-13 stack.

6.2 CALCULATION OF SOURCE TERM

Radionuclide inventory is based on beta/gamma levels found in survey data taken on 5/15/87 and reported on 11/01/94 in Internal Memo 33680-95-047 from Radiological Engineering and ALARA, subject "CCIP Database Update for Second Quarter 1995", dated June 5, 1995. This data shows loose surface beta/gamma contamination at 1 million disintegrations per minute per 100 square centimeters. Assuming worse case scenario, beta (Sr-90/Y-90) as the representative nuclides together with the contamination assumed to be uniformly distributed over all ventilated surface areas, the total curie content available for release from this stacks is shown in the following table.

| NUCLIDE | TOTAL AREA (cm ²) | ACTIVITY (dpm /100 cm ²) | TOTAL ACTIVITY (Ci) |
|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Sr-90 | 2.3 x 10 ⁷ | 1,000,000 | 0.104 |
| Y-90 | 2.3 x 10 ⁷ | 1,000,000 | 0.104 |

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Memo

From: Radiological Engineering and ALARA 33680-95-047
 Phone: 376-4187 T7-37
 Date: June 5, 1995
 Subject: CCIP DATABASE UPDATE FOR SECOND QUARTER 1995

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Enclosed is the current CCIP quarterly update for your facility for the second quarter (April - June 1995). Any changes that you sent as a result of the informal cc:Mail request for April and May should already be incorporated. Please remember that both the "CCIP Data Gathering" and "CCIP Data Change" forms are available as Site Forms. Please be sure to use these Site Forms for any new sites, as well as any changes and/or updates to your data.

Please review the enclosed update sheets for accuracy and completeness, then sign and return them (even if no changes are made) along with any changes to me by **June 23, 1995** at Mail Stop T7-37. All posted Radiological Areas should be included in the listing. The CCIP database has been modified to match the posting definitions found in the DOE Radiological Control Manual. We also encourage you to send CCIP data changes in as reduction activities take place. This will allow for an accurate indicator to the Company Performance Based Incentive associated to contaminated area reduction.

Robert E. Elder
R. E. Elder, Senior Health Physicist

ALARA/CCIP Program Office

Enclosure

Quarterly CCIP Update

Thu, Jun 1, 1995

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| CCIP ID | Location & Designation | CCIP Sizes | | | | No Changes* |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| ETHP-035 | East Tank Farm (Indoor) ETHP 244-AR Canyon | ARA Size: 2,288 sq. ft. HCA Size: 0 sq. ft. CA Size: 2,288 sq. ft. Soil CA: 0 sq. ft. VHRA Size: 0 sq. ft. HRA Size: 0 sq. ft. | RA Size: 2,288 sq. ft. RCA Size: 0 sq. ft. URM Size: 0 sq. ft. RBA Size: 0 sq. ft. FCA Size: 0 sq. ft. RMA Size: 0 sq. ft. | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Survey Date: 5/15/87 <input type="checkbox"/> Report Date: 11/1/94 | | Max dpm, By 1,000,000 Max dpm, α 0 | | | | On Mask? Yes Source Term? No Survey Card/Report #: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy: NEVER | | Task Description: _____ | | | | |
| ETHP-036 | 242-A Evap (Indoor) ETHP 242-A Evap. Room | ARA Size: 450 sq. ft. HCA Size: 450 sq. ft. CA Size: 0 sq. ft. Soil CA: 0 sq. ft. VHRA Size: 0 sq. ft. HRA Size: 450 sq. ft. | RA Size: 0 sq. ft. RCA Size: 0 sq. ft. URM Size: 0 sq. ft. RBA Size: 0 sq. ft. FCA Size: 0 sq. ft. RMA Size: 0 sq. ft. | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Survey Date: 9/25/89 <input type="checkbox"/> Report Date: 11/1/94 | | Max dpm, By 1,000,000 Max dpm, α 0 | | | | On Mask? Yes Source Term? No Survey Card/Report #: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy: QUARTER | | Task Description: _____ | | | | |
| ETHP-037 | 242-A Evap (Indoor) ETHP 242-A Evap. Cond. Room | ARA Size: 0 sq. ft. HCA Size: 0 sq. ft. CA Size: 648 sq. ft. Soil CA: 0 sq. ft. VHRA Size: 0 sq. ft. HRA Size: 0 sq. ft. | RA Size: 648 sq. ft. RCA Size: 0 sq. ft. URM Size: 0 sq. ft. RBA Size: 0 sq. ft. FCA Size: 0 sq. ft. RMA Size: 0 sq. ft. | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Survey Date: 11/29/89 <input type="checkbox"/> Report Date: 11/1/94 | | Max dpm, By 50,000 Max dpm, α 0 | | | | On Mask? No Source Term? No Survey Card/Report #: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy: DAY | | Task Description: _____ | | | | |
| ETHP-038 | 242-A Evap (Indoor) ETHP 242-A Evap. Load Out Room | ARA Size: 216 sq. ft. HCA Size: 0 sq. ft. CA Size: 216 sq. ft. Soil CA: 0 sq. ft. VHRA Size: 0 sq. ft. HRA Size: 0 sq. ft. | RA Size: 216 sq. ft. RCA Size: 0 sq. ft. URM Size: 0 sq. ft. RBA Size: 0 sq. ft. FCA Size: 0 sq. ft. RMA Size: 0 sq. ft. | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Survey Date: 11/13/89 <input type="checkbox"/> Report Date: 11/1/94 | | Max dpm, By 50,000 Max dpm, α 0 | | | | On Mask? Yes Source Term? No Survey Card/Report #: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy: MONTH | | Task Description: _____ | | | | |

* V for no changes; complete a CCIP Data Change Sheet
for those locations that have changed.

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APPENDIX E

ANSI/ASME N509 AND N510 EQUIVALENCY DEMONSTRATION FOR THE TEMPORARY VESSEL VENTILATION SYSTEM

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ANSI/ASME N509 AND N510 EQUIVALENCY DEMONSTRATION
FOR THE TEMPORARY VESSEL VENTILATION SYSTEM

7 SUMMARY
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10 In early 1994, Section 246-247-120 was added to the Washington Administrative
11 Code (WAC). This section includes the requirement that emission units with
12 the potential-to-emit exceeding 0.1 millirem per year total effective dose
13 equivalent (TEDE) to the maximally exposed individual (MEI) meet the
14 technology standards of ASME N509 and ASME N510. If the potential to emit is
15 below this value, the standards must be met only to the extent justified by a
16 cost/benefit evaluation.

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18 The temporary vessel vent (which will be an emission unit whose potential to
19 emit exceeds 0.1 millirem per year) used to ventilate the tanks at the 244 AR
20 Vault was not designed to comply with all the criteria contained in these
21 consensus standards.

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23 This document will identify both areas of compliance and non-compliance with
24 N509 and N510. In those instances of non-compliance, a technically equivalent
25 alternative is provided. The purpose of this document is to demonstrate that
26 the protective function of the temporary vessel vent is not compromised by
27 non-compliance with the letter of N509 and N510.

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31 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION
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33 Background

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35 The 244 AR Vault has accumulated a large amount of rain water and snowmelt in
36 the cell sumps. The water level is well above the sump operating level.
37 There is concern that components within the vault could fail due to corrosion
38 from the backed up sump liquid.

39
40 It is planned to use air jet pumping to transfer the accumulated water in the
41 vault sumps. The vault is currently maintained at atmospheric pressure using
42 air infiltration from various facility penetrations. Without active
43 ventilation air jet pumping could cause the receiving tank to pressurize and
44 force radioactive contaminants into the vault canyon through unfiltered
45 pathways. Active ventilation is required during pumping to minimize
46 contamination within the vault canyon. The function of the temporary
47 exhauster is to remove the air and tank off gases generated during jet pumping
48 at a fixed rate (200 cubic feet per minute (CFM)), extract it through HEPA
49 filters and monitor the effluent.

50
51 The 244 AR Vault has its own vessel vent /exhaust system. The system has been
52 inactive since February 1993. Restoration and upgrade of this system to

1 comply with current standards is cost prohibitive. It was determined that a
2 temporary arrangement could be used during jet pumping.

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5 **Description**

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7 The temporary vessel vent will tie into the original vessel vent header at a
8 six-inch monitoring riser located outside of the 244-AR Vault. The original
9 vessel vent system will be isolated downstream of the monitoring riser using
10 the original system dampers. Existing vessel vent system dampers upstream of
11 the monitoring riser will be used to isolate the riser and the temporary
12 vessel vent in the event of a filter or fan failure. The temporary vessel
13 vent is connected to the monitoring riser by a flexible connector.

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15 In this application the temporary vessel vent is used to provide the motive
16 force for air removal from the receiving tanks. The temporary vessel vent
17 consists of the following; a six inch, 150 pound class, ball valve, a
18 commercially available type G-1 HEPA filter housing, interconnecting ten inch
19 flexible duct, and a self contained rotary mode core sampling (RMCS)
20 exhauster. Air removed during air jet pumping will pass through the
21 monitoring riser, the ball valve, the G-1 housing and filter, down the
22 flexible duct to the RMCS exhauster which provides a second stage of HEPA
23 filtration before releasing the effluent to the environment.

24

25 The six-inch ball valve is connected to the monitoring riser, upstream of the
26 G-1 housing and filter. The valve is used as a radiological barrier only
27 during installation and removal of temporary vessel vent system components.
28 It is not used to divert flow or isolate non-contaminated areas during
29 temporary vent operation.

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31 The G-1 housing with HEPA filter is directly attached to the ball valve. This
32 filter and housing will serve as the first stage of HEPA filtration for the
33 temporary vessel vent. The G-1 housing is connected to the RMCS exhauster by
34 approximately thirty five feet of flexible duct.

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36 The RMCS exhauster is used to provide the motive force for the temporary
37 vessel vent. It consists of a heater, filter housing, fan, and stack with
38 particulate monitoring components all mounted on a common skid.

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40 A data logger located in the exhauster instrumentation cabinet may be used to
41 record operational variables. The data logger will also provide alarm
42 indications in the event of mechanical failures.

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44 Fan motor RPM is controlled by a variable speed drive that uses stack flow as
45 the input variable. Thus, as filters load, or flow conditions change with the
46 vault, RPM is increased to maintain constant flow. The fan shuts down in the
47 following instances:

48

49 1. High filter differential pressure across either the monitoring
50 riser HEPA filter or the exhauster mounted HEPA filters.

- 1 2. Excessive low pressure within the receiving tank.
- 2 3. Low stack flow (less than 150 CFM) and excessive stack flow (In
- 3 excess of 250 cfm).
- 4 4. In addition to the automatic shutdowns, the exhauster is
- 5 constantly manned when jet pumping is in progress. The individual
- 6 on duty has radio contact with the jet pump operator. Jet pumping
- 7 will cease if the exhauster fails to operate within its
- 8 established envelope.
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12 Figure 1 shows an outline drawing identifying the major components of the
13 temporary vessel vent exhauster.

14 **Applicability**

15 The skid assembly and stack monitoring system are fully compliant with
16 applicable federal and state requirements. The monitoring riser mounted HEPA
17 filter is a commercially available Flanders G-1 series; it fully meets the
18 requirements of N-509.

19 ASME N509 and N510 are applicable to the heater, the HEPA filter housing and
20 the duct between the riser mounted HEPA and the exhauster. The heater housing
21 is compliant with the applicable sections of N509 and N510.

22 The remainder of this document will address the conformance/non conformance of
23 the RMCS exhauster portion of the temporary vessel vent to the applicable
24 sections of N509 and N510.

25 **N509 DISCUSSION**

26 Each section of N509 will be examined for compliance/non compliance with
27 respect to the vault exhauster filter train.

28 **N509 Section 1; Scope**

29 This section identifies the scope and applicability of N509 to nuclear air
30 cleaning units. The RMCS exhauster was designed as a portable unit and does
31 not meet the definition of an engineered safety feature as defined in Section
32 3 of ASME N509-1989. The benefits of applying N509 to a temporary arrangement
33 are not immediately obvious when compared to the drawbacks (increased size,
34 not immediately available, and cost).

35 **N509 Section 2; Applicable Documents**

36 Section 2 identifies documents that supplement N509. The temporary vessel
37 vent meets the supplement requirements to the extent specified within this
38 document.

1 N509 Section 3; Terms and Definitions

2 Section 3 provides definitions of terms used in N509.

3 N509 Section 4; Functional Design

4 Section 4 identifies the functional design criteria to be considered when
5 designing nuclear air cleaning units. The RMCS portion of the vault exhauster
6 filter train complies with the applicable paragraphs of Section 4, with the
7 exception of:

8 Sub Section 4.4; Environmental Design Conditions

9 The variable frequency drive (VFD) installed on the RMCS portion
10 of the temporary vessel vent does not meet the local Hanford
11 environmental temperature extremes that may be encountered during
12 operation.

13 Justification

14 The VFD controls exhaust fan speed (and therefore pressure within
15 the receiving tanks) to control exhaust flow. The installed VFD
16 has performed to design requirements when operated in both high
17 and low temperature extremes over a period of three years.
18 Additionally, the exhauster is constantly manned; the operator in
19 attendance is able to stop the jet pumping if the exhauster fails.

20 The jet pump itself is interlocked with a receiving tank pressure
21 switch. If pressure within the vault exceeds .25 inch water gage
22 relative to atmosphere, the jet pump is shut down.

23 The conservative controls on exhauster and jet pump operation are
24 provided as technical equivalency for the environmental non-
25 qualification of the VFD.

26 Sub Section 4.11; Fire Protection

27 Neither the G-1 riser filter housing or the exhauster mounted
28 housing has installed fire protection systems.

29 Justification

30 Paragraph 4.7.11 requires that if the results of the facility fire
31 hazard analysis require a fire protection system be installed, it
32 should be manually activated. The facility (244-AR Vault) has no
33 requirement for a ventilation fire protection system.

1 Sub Section 4.13; Testability
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3 There are no permanently installed filter testing manifolds in the
4 temporary vessel vent filter train.
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6 Justification
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8 The riser mounted HEPA filter is considered the first filter used
9 for emission control. The riser-mounted filter housing meets the
10 test requirements of N509/N510 and is tested by injecting the
11 challenge agent directly upstream of the filter. The challenge
12 agent is sampled at a port directly downstream of the filter. The
13 challenge agent for the exhauster filter train (first HEPA in the
14 skid mounted filter housing) is injected in the sample port of the
15 riser mounted filter. This location will serve to adequately mix
16 the filter challenge agent prior to striking the face of the HEPA
17 filter in the exhauster. The challenge agent passes through both
18 HEPA filters on the RMCS exhauster prior to being sampled
19 downstream of the fan.
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21 The testing methodology described above when used with the two
22 HEPA filters separated by the field run length of duct is given as
23 technical equivalent to having permanently mounted manifolds.
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25 N509 Section 5; Components
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27 Section 5 provides detailed criteria for the components of a nuclear air
28 cleaning unit.
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30 Sub Section 5.1, HEPA Filters
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32 All HEPA filters used in the temporary vessel vent filter train meet the
33 requirements of this sub section
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35 Sub Section 5.2, Adsorber Designer
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37 This section is not applicable - the temporary vessel vent does not
38 employ adsorbers.
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40 Sub section 5.3; Prefilters and Postfilters.
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42 The temporary vessel vent does not use prefilters or postfilters
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44 Justification:
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46 Section 4.1(a) recommends that prefilters be used only when it is
47 desired to increase HEPA filter life. The low particulate
48 transport velocity (200 cfm in an eight inch duct) will preclude
49 excessive particulate loading of the filters. Excessive riser
50 HEPA filter differential pressure is an automatic shutdown feature
51 of the temporary vessel vent.

1 Post filters are fitted to air cleaning units that employ
2 adsorbers.

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4 Sub Section 5.4, Moisture Separators

5 Is not applicable because the temporary vessel vent does not employ
6 moisture separators.

7 Sub Section 5.5; Heaters

8 Discussion

9 The heater mounted on the RMCS exhauster portion of the temporary
10 vessel vent is not energized in this application as it is between
11 the two HEPA filters. The differential pressure across each HEPA
12 filter is monitored and the exhauster is shut down if the pressure
13 across either exceeds 5.5 inches of water (the filters fail at 10
14 inches of water).

15 However, the heater housing still acts as a confinement boundary
16 and must meet the requirements of N509/510. The housing used on
17 the RMCS exhauster is compliant with the Section 5.5 of N509.

18 Sub Section 5.6; Filter Housing:

19 The filter housing located at the riser is a commercially available
20 Flanders Model G-1. This housing has been constructed, and tested to
21 the requirements of N509/510.

22 The RMCS exhauster filter housing has three doors; one allows pre-filter
23 change out; the other two allow HEPA filter change out. The doors do
24 not have windows. There are no lights within the filter housing.

- 25 1. The HEPA filter mounting frame is seal welded to the housing as
26 required by Paragraph 5.6.1; no caulking is used to achieve the
27 seal. However the "shelf" that positions the HEPA filter against
28 the mounting frame uses caulk along the shelf to frame joint to
29 minimize internal contamination.
- 30 2. Door seals are flat neoprene fixed to the removable doors
31 Paragraph 5.6.2(a)(3) requires gaskets to be attached to the doors
32 with a "knife edge" seal.

33 Justification:

34 The RMCS exhauster filter housing doors are removable; no hinges
35 are used. The housing has six protruding studs, (one each top and
36 bottom, two on each side) doors are secured to the housing by
37 captive extended nuts which bear on a lip around the outside
38 perimeter of the door. The seal is achieved by compression of the
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1 neoprene gasket by the door. This arrangement meets the "or
2 equivalent airtight construction" requirement of 5.6.2(a)(1).

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4 Gasket arrangement meets the criteria of 5.6.2 (3). Gaskets are
5 inspected and lubricated (to prevent adhesion to sealing surfaces)
6 when the door is removed for filter change out. Gasket inspection
7 during door removal and installation and the demonstrated ability
8 to meet the leak test criteria of ASME N510, Section 6 are
9 provided as technical justification for not meeting the
10 requirements of paragraph 5.6.2 (a)(3).

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12 Each compartment within the exhauster filter housing has a drain that
13 meets the requirements of paragraph 5.6.2(c). Housing penetrations meet
14 the requirements of paragraph 5.6.2(d).

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16 The HEPA filter mounting frame has test port and pressure measurement
17 penetrations. N509 Paragraph 5.6.3 states that there shall be no
18 penetrations of component mounting frames

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20 Justification:

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22 On the RMCS exhauster filter housing the HEPA filter is clamped to
23 a center frame member. The frame is built of 6" X 3" X 3/16"
24 304 stainless steel tube. It is penetrated on the three inch
25 (non filter clamping) side in two locations, one roughly centered
26 on the top, the other centered on the housing side opposite filter
27 access doors. Penetrations are sealed with a stainless steel plug
28 or terminate at a differential pressure instrument. The top
29 penetration is $\frac{1}{2}$ " in diameter, the side 3/4". Both penetrations
30 are re-enforced with the appropriate diameter schedule 10
31 stainless steel pipe seal welded in place. All other requirements
32 of paragraph 5.6.3 are met.

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34 The additional strength provided by the gusseted penetration and
35 the completely seal welded frame design are given as technical
36 justification for not meeting the no penetration requirement of
37 paragraph 5.6.3.

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39 The materials used and the protective coatings applied to the
40 receiving tank exhauster filter housings meet the requirements of
41 paragraph 5.6.4.

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43 Subsection 5.7; Fans:

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45 The pressure blower used in the RMCS exhauster was selected in
46 accordance with the guidance given in paragraph 5.7.1. Fan balancing
47 meets the requirements of paragraph 5.7.3. Drawings and documentation
48 in accordance with paragraphs 5.7.4 and 5.7.5 respectively are provided.

1. The manufacturer did not conduct fan rating. Paragraph 5.7.2
2 requires the fan manufacturer to either test in accordance with
3 Air Movement and Control Association (AMCA) 210 and the applicable
4 special sections of AMCA 211A or rated and listed in accordance
5 with AMCA 211A. This paragraph also offers the option of testing
6 in accordance with the owners instructions to simulate, as closely
7 as possible, actual operating conditions.

8 Fan sound ratings are not provided. Paragraph 5.7.2 also requires
9 the manufacturer to provide sound ratings obtained in accordance
10 with AMCA 300 and reported in accordance with AMCA 301.

12 Justification:

14 Recall that in this application fan RPM is controlled to maintain
15 a constant exhaust flow. The fan/control system is tested twice
16 at the Hanford Site after assembly is complete. The first occurs
17 during the operational test. A known restriction is placed on the
18 housing to simulate filter loading. System response is verified
19 by maintaining a constant stack flow.

21 In addition, this exhauster has been certified in accordance with
22 40 CFR 52, Appendix E. This flow verification requires the fan,
23 variable speed drive assembly, and stack monitoring instruments to
24 respond within specified accuracy limits to operational (filter
25 loading) changes. The test is conducted over 140 hours of
26 continuous operation.

28 This temporary exhauster is used exclusively outdoors. The fan
29 and motor are completely covered with a stainless steel enclosure
30 lined with one inch thick sound absorbent foam. The fan and motor
31 combination are mounted to the frame using 1/4 inch thick rubber
32 for further noise and vibration reduction.

34 The operational test and the flow verification are provided as
35 technical equivalents to the rating requirements of paragraph
36 5.7.2.

38 The outdoor use and insulation of the fan and driver are provided
39 as equivalents to the sound rating requirements of paragraph
40 5.7.2.

42 Subsection 5.8; Fan Drives.

44 The fan motor used on the exhauster complies with the applicable
45 criteria of this section.

47 Subsection 5.9; Dampers:

49 There are a total of three dampers used on the temporary vessel vent
50 filter train. The first is located at the vent header directly upstream
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1 of the riser HEPA filter. The RMCS exhaust filter housing uses two
2 isolation dampers.
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4 The RMCS exhaust filter housing dampers are butterfly valves;
5 constructed to Class A requirements. The valves meet Class I leakage
6 criteria. They are fully compliant with the applicable criteria of
7 Subsection 5.9.
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9 The ball valve at the riser is not constructed to any specific standard.
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12 Justification
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14 The riser mounted ball valve is used to isolate the HEPA filter
15 mounted directly downstream of the valve. The valve is not used
16 to divert flow, or isolate non contaminated areas. If the valve
17 leaks, it does so directly into a HEPA filter. Any leakage would
18 be filtered before reaching the atmosphere.
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20 Subsection 5.10; Ducts:
21

22 Flexible duct is used between the riser mounted HEPA filter and the RMCS
23 exhaust. The portable duct meets system pressure requirements. There
24 has been no leak criteria defined for this section of duct.
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26 Justification
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28 The length of flexible duct under discussion is located between
29 two HEPA filters. If the duct were to fail during operation it is
30 at a negative pressure relative to atmosphere and any
31 contamination would flow inward. As the duct is downstream of a
32 HEPA filter, contamination would be minimal. The on-scene
33 operator would detect a failed duct and jet pumping would be
34 stopped.
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36 The duct is inspected for rips or tears and good clamping at the
37 termination points prior to the exhaust being energized.
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39 These two features are given as technical equivalents to the duct
40 requirements of Sub Section 5.10.
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42 N509 Section 6; Packaging, Shipping, Receiving, Storage and Handling of
43 Components
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45 HEPA filters and the applicable components of the temporary vessel vent filter
46 housings are shipped, received, and stored in accordance with this section.
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48 N509 Section 7; Installation and Erection
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50 The filter housings, at the riser and on the RMCS exhaust, fully comply with
51 the applicable portions of this section.

1 N509 Section 8; Quality Assurance

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3 The designing organizations and manufacturers of each of the components on the
4 receiving tank exhauster have a quality assurance program that meets the
5 requirements of ANSI/ASME NQA-1, 1989.

6 Section 8.2 summarizes documentation to be submitted to the owner. With the
7 exceptions noted in the discussion of Section 5 above, all required
8 documentation is provided.

10 11 N509 Section 9; Acceptance Testing

12 This section requires acceptance testing to be conducted in accordance with
13 ASME N510. A full discussion of the temporary vessel vent acceptance testing
14 and the use of ASME N510 in those tests follow.

15 16 NOTE:

17 Compliance with appendices A and D of N509 is shown to be mandatory. Appendix
18 A is not applicable to the temporary vessel vent because it does not use
19 adsorbents. Appendix D addresses sampling manifolds. The previous discussion
20 of N509 Paragraph 5.6.3 describes the methodology used with the temporary
21 vessel vent housings.

22 23 N510 DISCUSSION

24 The riser mounted HEPA filter housing was designed to fully comply with ASME
25 N509. As such, it must fully comply with N510. The riser mounted HEPA filter
26 housing complies with the testing requirements of N510.

27 The RMCS exhauster was not designed to fully comply with ASME N509.
28 Subsection 1.2 of N510 states that the document may be used for technical
29 guidance for testing air treatment systems designed to other criteria. The
30 RMCS exhauster filter housing was tested to criteria developed using N510 for
31 guidance.

32 Visual inspection criteria are taken directly from N510 Section 5. All
33 paragraphs in section 5 are used except those that are not applicable (5.5.1.3
34 and 5.5.1.6 for example) and those that do not apply because of design
35 differences (5.5.1.4(e)).

36 Housing leak and structural capability tests are conducted using the guidance
37 contained in Section 6. The procedures used are taken directly from this
38 section. Housing leak rate is tested using the pressure decay method. This
39 test also serves as the damper by pass test (Section 12) as the housing is
40 sealed for the test using only the isolation dampers.

41 Airflow distribution and air-aerosol mixing uniformity tests (part of Section
42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 509 and all of Section 9) are not conducted as the temporary vessel vent uses
50 filter banks containing single HEPA filters. Air flow capacity testing is
51 described in the discussion of fans in N509 Subsection 5.7 above.

- 1 In place testing of HEPA filters is conducted in accordance with the guidance
- 2 contained in Section 10 and is described in this document. Sections 11 and 13
- 3 are not applicable to the temporary vessel vent.
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