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4.0 PROCESS INFORMATION

4.1 PROCESS DESCRIPTION

Mixed waste is managed by the Hanford Tank Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant (WTP) using tanks, containment buildings, container storage areas, and miscellaneous unit systems. The pretreatment facility uses tank systems, miscellaneous unit systems (defined in Chapter 10, Section III.10.G of this Permit), and containment buildings to prepare waste feed from the Hanford Site double-shell tank (DST) system for vitrification. The low-activity waste (LAW) vitrification facility is a miscellaneous unit system, and uses tank systems, miscellaneous unit sub-systems (defined in Chapter 10, Section III.10.H and III.10.I of this Permit), and containment buildings to vitrify LAW feed. The high-level waste (HLW) vitrification facility is a miscellaneous unit system (defined in Chapter 10, Section III.10.J and III.10.K of this Permit), and uses tank systems, miscellaneous unit sub-systems, containment buildings, and container storage areas to vitrify HLW feed. A tank system and a container storage area are used at the analytical laboratory (LAB). Container storage is used in the balance of facilities (BOF) for waste management activities. These waste management activities are discussed in the following sections.

Please note that source, special nuclear and byproduct materials, as defined in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (AEA), are regulated at the U. S. Department of Energy (DOE) facilities exclusively by DOE acting pursuant to its AEA authority. DOE asserts that pursuant to the AEA, it has sole and exclusive responsibility and authority to regulate source, special nuclear, and byproduct materials at DOE-owned nuclear facilities. Information contained herein on radionuclides is provided for process description purposes only.

4.1.1 Process Overview

The WTP will store and treat waste feed from the Hanford Site double-shell tank (DST) system in the pretreatment plant. The pretreatment plant will separate the waste into two feed streams for the LAW and HLW melters. The term *LAW feed* generally refers to the supernatant portion of the DST system waste, and *HLW feed* generally refers to the high solids content portion. Feed from the DST system is expected to be of four major waste feed types, or waste feed envelopes. These waste feed envelopes are described as follows:

- Envelope A. This waste feed envelope will contain cesium at concentrations high enough to warrant removal of these radionuclides during pretreatment, to ensure that the immobilized low-activity waste (ILAW) glass will meet applicable requirements.
- Envelope B. This waste feed envelope will contain higher concentrations of cesium than envelope A. Cesium must be removed to comply with the ILAW specifications. This envelope may also contain concentrations of chlorine, chromium, fluorine, phosphates, and sulfates that are higher than those found in envelope A, which may limit the waste incorporation rate into the glass.

- 1 • Envelope C. This waste feed envelope will contain organic compounds containing
2 complexed strontium and transuranics (TRU) that will require removal in a processing step
3 unique to this waste envelope. As with envelopes A and B, cesium will also require removal
4 in the pretreatment process to ensure that ILAW glass meets applicable requirements.
- 5 • Envelope D. HLW feed will be in the form of a slurry containing approximately 10 to
6 200 grams of unwashed solids per liter. The liquid fraction of the slurry will be separated
7 from the solids and classified as envelope A, B, or C waste. The solid fraction will be
8 envelope D waste.

9
10 The WTP treatment processes are designed to immobilize the waste constituents in a glass matrix
11 by vitrification and to treat the offgas from the processes to a level that protects human health
12 and the environment.

13
14 Two similarly designed vitrification systems will be used in the WTP. One system will
15 immobilize the pretreated LAW feed and the second will immobilize the pretreated HLW feed.
16 The dangerous waste constituents in the melter feed will be destroyed, removed, or immobilized
17 in a glass matrix through the vitrification process. The ILAW and immobilized high-level waste
18 (IHLW) produced by the WTP will be in the form of glass packaged in steel containers for
19 ILAW and steel canisters for IHLW.

20
21 Secondary waste streams (e.g., dangerous and mixed solid waste, nonradioactive and
22 nondangerous liquid effluents, and mixed waste and dangerous liquid effluents) will be
23 characterized and recycled into the treatment process, transported to permitted treatment, storage,
24 and/or disposal (TSD) facilities located on the Hanford Site, or transported off-site, as
25 appropriate. Nonradioactive dangerous waste will also be generated by laboratory and
26 maintenance activities. This waste will be managed at the WTP until it can be transferred to an
27 off-site TSD unit.

28
29 There are four primary components of the WTP: pretreatment, LAW vitrification, HLW
30 vitrification, and the analytical laboratory. In addition, each of these waste treatment processes
31 is supported by systems and utilities known as the balance of facilities. The following discussion
32 presents an overview of these waste treatment processes and balance of facilities systems at the
33 WTP. Figure 4A-1 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the WTP treatment processes.

34 35 Pretreatment

36 The waste feed will be stored and subsequently treated in the pretreatment plant prior to
37 vitrification. The processes in the pretreatment plant will condition the waste feed and remove
38 cesium, strontium, TRU compounds, and entrained solids. The waste feed will also be processed
39 through ultrafiltration to separate the solids.

40
41 There will be four types of waste management units in the pretreatment plant, as follows:

- 42
- 43 • Container storage areas
- 44 • Tank systems

- 1 • Containment buildings
- 2 • Miscellaneous treatment systems

3
4 The structure of the pretreatment plant is supported by a reinforced concrete foundation. The
5 superstructure will be made of structural steelwork with a metal roof. Typically, the process
6 cells within the pretreatment plant will be constructed of reinforced concrete. Secondary
7 containment is provided as required for tank systems and miscellaneous unit systems managing
8 dangerous or mixed waste. Table 4-11 provides information on secondary containment.
9 Figure 4A-2 and 4A-2A present simplified process flow diagrams of the pretreatment processes.

10 LAW Vitrification

11 The LAW vitrification plant will house the vitrification systems for production of the ILAW.
12 Three types of waste management units will be located in the LAW vitrification plant, as
13 follows:
14

- 15
- 16 • Tank systems
- 17 • Containment buildings
- 18 • Miscellaneous treatment sub-systems

19
20 The LAW vitrification plant will be constructed of reinforced concrete and structural steelwork.
21 The below-grade portion of the building structure is made of reinforced concrete, and the
22 superstructure will be made of reinforced concrete and structural steelwork with a metal roof.
23 The plant structure will be supported by a reinforced concrete mat foundation. Secondary
24 containment is provided as required for tank systems and miscellaneous unit sub-systems
25 managing dangerous or mixed waste. Table 4-11 provides information on secondary
26 containment. Figure 4A-3 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the LAW vitrification
27 treatment processes.
28

29 HLW Vitrification

30 The HLW vitrification plant will house the vitrification systems for producing IHLW. Four
31 types of waste management units will be located in the HLW vitrification plant, as follows:
32

- 33 • Container storage areas
- 34 • Tank systems
- 35 • Containment buildings
- 36 • Miscellaneous treatment sub-systems

37
38 The HLW vitrification plant will be constructed of reinforced concrete and structural steelwork.
39 The below-grade portion of the building structure is reinforced concrete construction, and the
40 superstructure will be made of structural steelwork with a metal roof. The plant structure will be
41 supported by a reinforced concrete mat foundation. Secondary containment is provided as
42 required for tank systems and miscellaneous unit sub-systems managing dangerous or mixed

1 waste. Table 4-11 provides information on secondary containment. Figure 4A-4 presents a
2 simplified process flow diagram of the HLW vitrification treatment processes.

3 Analytical Laboratory

4 The analytical laboratory will house the hot cells, laboratories, and systems for analyzing process
5 samples and managing regulatory compliance samples. Two types of waste management units
6 will be located in the analytical laboratory, as follows:
7

- 8
- 9 • Container storage areas
- 10 • Tank systems

11
12 The analytical laboratory will be constructed of reinforced concrete, structural steelwork, and a
13 metal roof. The below-grade portions of the building structure will be constructed of reinforced
14 concrete. The analytical laboratory structure will be supported by a reinforced concrete mat
15 foundation. Secondary containment is provided as required for tank systems managing
16 dangerous or mixed waste.

17 Balance of Facilities

18 The balance of facilities includes support systems and utilities required for the waste treatment
19 processes within the pretreatment, LAW vitrification, HLW vitrification, and the analytical
20 laboratory. The balance of facilities support systems and utilities include, but are not limited to,
21 heating and cooling, process steam, process water, chilled water, primary and secondary power
22 supplies, and compressed air. The balance of facilities also includes the glass former reagent
23 system (GFR) that supplies glass former reagents to the LAW and HLW vitrification facilities.
24 Regulated waste management units within the balance of facilities include the spent melter
25 storage facility and the nonradioactive dangerous waste storage area.
26

27 **4.1.2 Pretreatment Plant**

28
29 The pretreatment plant is designed to receive mixed waste from the DST system and separate
30 and prepare the LAW and HLW feed streams for vitrification. The main functions performed at
31 the pretreatment plant are as follows:
32

- 33 • Receive waste feeds from the Hanford Site DST system
 - 34 • Separate cesium, strontium, and TRU radionuclides from the waste feeds
 - 35 • Segregate solids into the HLW feed stream
 - 36 • Concentrate the separated radionuclides
 - 37 • Adjust the concentration of the waste for vitrification
 - 38 • Collect and monitor liquid effluents
 - 39 • Blend waste fractions to optimize treatment steps
- 40

1 The purpose of this section is to describe the major systems associated with the pretreatment
2 plant. Descriptions of process systems, ventilation systems, and mechanical support systems
3 associated with the pretreatment plant are provided in the following sections.
4

5 The following figures found in Appendix 4A and drawings, found in WA7890008967,
6 *Dangerous Waste Portion of the Hanford Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act*
7 *Permit for the Treatment, Storage, and Disposal of Dangerous Waste (DWP)*, Attachment 51,
8 Appendix 8, provide additional detail for the pretreatment plant:
9

- 10 • Simplified flow figure for the WTP
- 11 • Process flow figures and drawings for process information
- 12 • Typical system figures depicting common features for each regulated system
- 13 • General arrangement figures and drawings showing locations of regulated equipment
- 14 • Waste management area figures showing plant locations to be permitted

15
16 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the tank systems and
17 miscellaneous treatment systems to indicate or prevent the following conditions, as appropriate:
18

- 19 • **Overfilling:** Plant items are protected against overfilling by liquid level indication, high level
20 instrumentation interlocks to shut off feed sources, and process control system control
21 functions backed up by hard wired trips as required.
22
- 23 • **Loss of containment:** Plant items are protected against containment loss by liquid level
24 indication, and by process control system control and alarm functions as required, including
25 shut off of feed sources. Each plant item that manages liquid mixed or dangerous waste is
26 provided with secondary containment. Sumps associated with the management of liquid
27 mixed or dangerous waste are provided with liquid level instrumentation and an ejector or
28 pump to empty the sump as needed.
29
- 30 • **Inadvertent transfers of fluids:** System sequential operations are properly interlocked to
31 prevent inadvertent transfers at the wrong time or to the wrong location.
32

33 In addition to level control, temperature and pressure may be monitored for tank systems and
34 miscellaneous treatment systems in some cases. Additional information may be found in the
35 system logic descriptions located in DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 8.13. Regulated process
36 and leak detection system instruments and parameters will be provided in DWP Table III.10.E.E
37 for tank systems and in DWP Table III.10.G.C for miscellaneous treatment systems.
38

39 **4.1.2.1 Waste Feed Receipt Process System (FRP)**

40 Figure 4A-5 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the waste feed receipt process system
41 (FRP). The primary function of the (FRP) is to receive batch transfers of LAW waste feed from

1 the DST system, and to store the waste pending processing through pretreatment. Each Waste
2 Feed Receipt Vessels (FRP-VSL-00002A/B/C/D) has a working volume of approximately
3 375,800 gallons, for a total working volume of approximately 1.5 million gallons. Waste feed
4 will normally be transferred from the DST system in batches up to 1 million gallons into three of
5 the four Waste Feed Receipt Vessels (FRP-VSL-00002A/B/C/D). The fourth vessel containing
6 waste feed from the preceding transfer is used to sustain production while the current batch
7 transfer is being mixed and sampled to verify waste characteristics.

8
9 The Waste Feed Receipt Vessels (FRP-VSL-00002A/B/C/D) can also receive excess recycles or
10 excess concentrate from the waste feed evaporation process system (FEP), and off-specification
11 treated LAW from the treated LAW concentrate storage process system (TCP). The LAW feed
12 stored in the Waste Feed Receipt Vessels (FRP-VSL-00002A/B/C/D) is batch-transferred
13 forward for processing to either the FEP system or to the ultrafiltration system (UFP). The FRP
14 system also has the capability to return stored waste to the DST system.

15
16 The main components of the FRP tank system are:

- 17
18 • Waste transfer lines
19 • Waste Feed Receipt Vessels (FRP-VSL-00002A/B/C/D)
20 • Vessel inlet and outlet valve headers
21 • Pumps

22
23 Waste feed is received from the DST system through the inner pipe of any one of three co-axial
24 transfer lines. The inlet valve header routes the waste to the Waste Feed Receipt Vessels
25 (FRP-VSL-00002A/B/C/D). The inlet and outlet valve headers and pumps are used in
26 combination to facilitate the transfer of waste from one Waste Feed Receipt Vessel to another,
27 forward transfer of waste to the pretreatment process, or the return of waste to the DST system
28 using the transfer lines.

29
30 FRP system design features include:

- 31
32 • Capability to pressure-test both the inner and outer transfer lines for integrity
33 • Transfer line leak detection system for integrity indication during transfer
34 • Transfer line flushing and draining capability
35 • Instrumentation for monitoring vessel liquid level
36 • Vessel vent to the pretreatment vessel vent process system (PVP)
37 • Forced air purge and passive air purge of the vessel vapor space for mitigation of hydrogen
38 gas buildup
39 • Internal pulse jet mixers (PJMs) for solids suspension and slurry mixing
40 • Remote sampling capability off the discharge of the transfer pump
41 • Vessel spray rings for vessel decontamination

1
2 The Waste Feed Receipt Vessels (FRP-VSL-00002A/B/C/D) are designed for a 40-year life, and
3 are of welded stainless steel construction. Each vessel is located in an inaccessible (black) cell.
4 Each cell is partially lined with welded stainless steel for secondary containment. This
5 secondary containment will have a gradient designed to channel liquid to a low-point sump
6 within each black cell. Each sump is equipped with liquid level instrumentation and is alarmed
7 for detecting loss of vessel or piping integrity. Each sump is equipped with an emptying ejector.
8

9 The FRP system pumps and valve headers are located in a hot cell to facilitate remote
10 replacement. The hot cell is also partially lined for secondary containment. The hot cell has
11 three instrumented sumps for liquid detection.
12

13 The FRP black cells are located around the hot cell. Hydraulic connections connect the black
14 cells to each other and connect selected black cells to the hot cell. These hydraulic connections
15 are used to cascade fluid flow between cells in the event that the FRP black cell secondary
16 containment hold-up volume is exceeded. As the liquid cascades from cell to cell it will reach
17 the hot cell.
18

19 4.1.2.2 Waste Feed Evaporation Process System (FEP)

20 Figure 4A-6 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the waste feed evaporation process
21 system (FEP). The primary process function of the FEP tank and miscellaneous treatment
22 system is to concentrate LAW from the FRP, dilute HLW feed from the HLW lag storage and
23 feed blending process system (HLP), and recycle from the plant wash and disposal process
24 system (PWD) and the spent resin collection and dewatering process system (RDP). The Waste
25 Feed Evaporator Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B) will deliver concentrate to the
26 ultrafiltration process system (UFP). Overhead vapors and noncondensables from the Waste
27 Feed Evaporator Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B) are routed to the Primary Condensers
28 (FEP-COND-00001A/B). Process condensate from the Primary Condensers
29 (FEP-COND-00001A/B) and steam condensate from the vacuum system are collected in the
30 LAW Feed Evaporator Condensate Vessel (FEP-VSL-00005) and discharged to the radioactive
31 liquid waste disposal process system (RLD). The noncondensables from the vacuum system are
32 discharged to the PVP system.
33

34 During off-normal conditions, excess dilute recycles to the FEP Waste Feed Evaporator Feed
35 Vessels (FEP-VSL-00017A/B), or excess concentrate from the FEP Waste Feed Evaporator
36 Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B), can be routed to the FRP system for interim storage.
37 Washed solids from the UFP system that are collected in the HLP system that are too dilute for
38 feed to HLW vitrification can also be concentrated.
39

40 The main components of the FEP tank and miscellaneous treatment system are as follows.
41

42 Tanks

- 43 • Waste Feed Evaporator Feed Vessels (FEP-VSL-00017A/B)
- 44 • LAW Feed Evaporator Condensate Vessel (FEP-VSL-00005)

- 1 • Vessel outlet valve headers
- 2 • Pumps

3
4 Miscellaneous Treatment Systems

5 Waste Feed Evaporator Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B)

- 6 • Primary Condensers (FEP-COND-00001A/B)
- 7 • Inter-Condensers (FEP-COND-00002A/B)
- 8 • After-Condensers (FEP-COND-00003A/B)
- 9 • Pumps

10
11 The FEP system includes two Waste Feed Evaporator Feed Vessels (FEP-VSL-00017A/B) with
12 a batch volume of approximately 50,000 gallons each for managing feed makeup from multiple
13 sources. One Waste Feed Evaporator Feed Vessel will be in a makeup mode while the alternate
14 vessel is feeding the evaporator trains.

15
16 The design features of the FEP evaporator feed system include:

- 17
- 18 • Internal pulse jet mixers for solids suspension
- 19 • Instrumentation for monitoring vessel liquid level
- 20 • Vessel vent to the PVP system
- 21 • Forced air purge and passive air purge of the vessel vapor space for mitigation of hydrogen
22 gas buildup
- 23 • Pump and line flushing capability
- 24 • Transfer flow rate indication and transfer volume totalizer
- 25 • Remote sampling capability off the discharge of the transfer pumps
- 26 • Vessel spray rings for vessel decontamination

27
28 The FEP waste feed evaporator trains can be operated independently or at the same time
29 depending on the evaporation needs. The Waste Feed Evaporator Separator Vessels
30 (FEP-SEP-00001A/B) are forced-circulation units operating under vacuum to reduce the
31 operating temperature. Recirculation pumps maintain a high flow rate from the Waste Feed
32 Evaporator Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B) to the Reboilers (FEP-RBLR-00001A/B).
33 The pumps transfer the waste through the Reboilers and back into the Waste Feed Evaporator
34 Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B). The recirculating waste stream is prevented from
35 boiling in the reboiler tubes by maintaining sufficient hydrostatic head (submergence) above the
36 Reboiler tubes.

37
38 As the liquid travels out of the Reboilers (FEP-RBLR-00001A/B), the hydrostatic head
39 diminishes and flash evaporation occurs as the flow enters the Waste Feed Evaporator Separator
40 Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B). The liquid continues to flash and the vapor and liquid streams
41 are separated (liquid-vapor disengagement). The liquid stream circulates in this loop and

1 becomes more concentrated, while the vapor stream passes through a demisting section to the
2 evaporator condensing system. The concentrate off-take is pumped from the bottom of the
3 Waste Feed Evaporator Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B) at the controlled liquid density
4 and is discharged to Untrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels (UFP-VSL-00001A/B) in the UFP
5 system, or is recycled to the FRP system.
6

7 The vapor stream exiting the Waste Feed Evaporator Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B) is
8 condensed in a three-stage condenser system consisting of Primary Condensers
9 (FEP-COND-00001A/B), Inter-Condensers (FEP-COND-00002A/B), and After-Condensers
10 (FEP-COND-00003A/B). The noncondensables exiting downstream of the After-Condenser are
11 routed to the PVP system for treatment.
12

13 Design features of the evaporator trains include:
14

15 Operating pressure indication and control

- 16 • Differential pressure indication across the Waste Feed Evaporator Separator Vessels
17 (FEP-SEP-00001A/B) demister section
- 18 • Water sprays to the Waste Feed Evaporator Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B)
19 demister section
- 20 • Process condensate radiation monitoring and recycle capability
- 21 • Low-pressure steam supply and conditioning for heating the Reboilers (FEP-RBLR-00001A/
22 B)
- 23 • Reboilers (FEP-RBLR-00001A/B) tube leak detection and diversion capability
- 24 • Reboilers (FEP-RBLR-00001A/B) steam condensate collection
- 25 • Instrumentation for monitoring and control of vessel liquid level
- 26 • Forced air purge of the vessel vapor space for mitigation of hydrogen gas buildup (passive
27 venting of purge air via the downstream vessels connected to the vent header)
- 28 • Capability to drain, flush, and chemically clean the system
29

30 The condensed vapor from the FEP condensing units is collected in the LAW Feed Evaporator
31 Condensate Vessel (FEP-VSL-00005). One condensate vessel is used to collect condensate from
32 both evaporator trains. A small fraction of the total condensate is recycled to the Waste Feed
33 Evaporator Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B) demister water sprays. The balance of the
34 condensate is transferred to the RLD system. Off-specification condensate is recycled to the
35 Waste Feed Evaporator Feed Vessels (FEP-VSL-00017A/B).
36

37 Design features include:
38

- 39 • Instrumentation for monitoring and control of vessel liquid level
- 40 • Vessel vent to the PVP system
- 41 • Outlet valve header

- 1 • Remote sampling capability off the discharge of the transfer pumps
- 2 • Dip legs in the vessel that maintain a liquid seal (pressure boundary) between the vessel and
- 3 the condensers
- 4 • Makeup recycle water as required for startup

5
6 The black cells and hot cell are partially lined with stainless steel for secondary containment.
7 Black cells and hot cells will be equipped with an instrumented sump or sumps for leak
8 detection. The sumps are equipped with a steam emptying ejector.
9

10 4.1.2.3 Ultrafiltration Process System (UFP)

11 Figure 4A-7 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the ultrafiltration process system
12 (UFP). The UFP tank system separates the waste feed from the HLW lag storage and blending
13 process and the waste feed receipt process systems and/or the waste feed evaporation process
14 system into a high solids stream, referred to as the HLW feed stream, and a relatively solids free
15 stream, referred to as the LAW feed stream. In the UFP system, the separated solids may
16 undergo additional treatment (washing and/or leaching operations) to reduce the quantity of
17 IHLW produced. In addition, the LAW feed stream may require Sr/TRU removal (envelope C
18 only). This operation will be performed in the UFP system prior to solids separation.
19

20 The main components of the UFP tank system are:

21 Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels UFP-VSL-00001A/B)

- 22 • Ultrafiltration Feed Vessels (UFP-VSL-00002A/B)
- 23 • Two ultrafilter trains, each containing three individual Ultrafilters (UFP-FILT-00001A/1B/
24 2A/2B/3A/3B)
- 25 • Associated ultrafilter backpulsing equipment
- 26 • Ultrafilter Permeate Vessels (UFP-VSL-00062A/B/C)
- 27 • Pumps

28
29
30 The primary design features of the UFP system are:

- 31 • Pulse jet mixers in the Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels (UFP-VSL-00001A/B), the
32 Ultrafiltration Feed Vessels (UFP-VSL-00002A/B), and in the Ultrafilter Permeate Vessels
33 (UFP-VSL-00062A/B/C)
- 34 • Cooling jackets on the Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels (UFP-VSL-00001A/B) and
35 on the Ultrafiltration Feed Vessels (UFP-VSL-00002A/B)
- 36 • Passive vessel overflow routes for the Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels
37 (UFP-VSL-00001A/B), the Ultrafiltration Feed Vessels (UFP-VSL-00002A/B), and in the
38 Ultrafilter Permeate Vessels (UFP-VSL-00062A/B/C) to the Ultimate Overflow Vessel
39 (PWD-VSL-00033)
- 40

- 1 • Heating ejectors for the Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels (UFP-VSL-00001A/B) and
2 the Ultrafiltration Feed Vessels (UFP-VSL-00002A/B)
- 3 • Emptying ejectors for the Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels (UFP-VSL-00001A/B)
- 4 • Sampling capabilities for the Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels (UFP-VSL-00001A/
5 B), the Ultrafiltration Feed Vessels (UFP-VSL-00002A/B), and in the Ultrafilter Permeate
6 Vessels (UFP-VSL-00062A/B/C)
- 7 • Vessel wash rings for the Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels (UFP-VSL-00001A/B),
8 the Ultrafiltration Feed Vessels (UFP-VSL-00002A/B), and in the Ultrafilter Permeate
9 Vessels (UFP-VSL-00062A/B/C)
- 10 • Ventilation (both passive and forced) for the Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels
11 (UFP-VSL-00001A/B), the Ultrafiltration Feed Vessels (UFP-VSL-00002A/B), and in the
12 Ultrafilter Permeate Vessels (UFP-VSL-00062A/B/C)

13
14 Ultrafiltration is a filtration process in which the waste stream is processed axially through the
15 Ultrafilters (UFP-FILT-00001A/1B/2A/2B/3A/3B), which are long bundles of permeable tubes.
16 Solids-free liquids pass radially through the permeable ultrafilter tubes surface while the
17 concentration of the solids in the recirculating stream continuously increases. The resulting
18 solids slurry may need treatment such as caustic leaching and/or water washing to reduce the
19 quantity of IHLW glass produced.

20
21 Waste is received from the HLP, FRP, and/or the FEP systems into the Ultrafiltration Feed
22 Preparation Vessels (UFP-VSL-00001A/B) of the UFP system. The waste may be sampled here
23 to determine the ultrafiltration parameters. For envelope C feeds, chemicals are added to the
24 Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels (UFP-VSL-00001A/B) to precipitate strontium and
25 TRU elements contained in the incoming waste stream prior to solids concentration by
26 ultrafiltration. Heat (if required) and agitation can be applied to ensure that the precipitation
27 process is completed.

28
29 The Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessels (UFP-VSL-00001A/B) feed the Ultrafiltration
30 Feed Vessels (UFP-VSL-00002A/B), which feed the ultrafilters themselves. During the initial
31 solids concentration, the solids-free stream generated by ultrafiltration is designated as the LAW
32 feed stream, which is then routed to one of the three Ultrafilter Permeate Vessels
33 (UFP-VSL-00062A/B/C). Here, the permeate is sampled for solids breakthrough (turbidity)
34 prior to further processing, which includes cesium removal and additional evaporation prior to
35 LAW vitrification.

36
37 The resulting concentrated slurry may then be washed in the Ultrafiltration Feed Vessels
38 (UFP-VSL-00002A/B) with process water or caustic leached to remove interstitial liquid, soluble
39 salts, and/or HLW glass-limiting compounds and further processed through the Ultrafilters
40 (UFP-FILT-00001A/1B/2A/2B/3A/3B). The final concentrated HLW feed stream is transferred
41 to the HLW Lag Storage Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B) of the HLP system and then on to the
42 HLW vitrification process. Permeate from solids treatment is also collected in Ultrafilter
43 Permeate Vessels (UFP-VSL-00062A/B/C), but this stream is normally routed to the plant wash
44 and disposal process system (PWD) for recycle.

1
2 During waste processing, the permeability of the Ultrafilters (UFP-FILT-00001A/1B/2A/2B/3A/
3 3B) is reduced over time. Re-establishing the ultrafilters' permeability can be accomplished
4 using one of two different methods: 1) backpulsing with filter permeate or 2) cleaning utilizing
5 nitric acid or caustic. Backpulsing may be utilized while the filter is in operation, but cleaning
6 requires the filters to be out of operation. Filter performance will be monitored to determine
7 when cleaning is required.
8

9 **4.1.2.4 HLW Lag Storage and Feed Blending Process System (HLP)**

10 Figure 4A-8 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the HLW lag storage and feed
11 blending process system (HLP). The HLP system receives the envelope D slurry from the DST
12 system and the treated HLW slurry from the UFP system. This system provides receipt, storage,
13 and transfer capability for the envelope D feed, provides lag storage for the treated high-level
14 waste solids slurry, and blends HLW vitrification feed prior to transfer and subsequent
15 processing in the HLW vitrification plant. The system also provides for blending of separated
16 cesium from the cesium nitric acid recovery process system (CNP) with the HLW feed stream
17 prior to transfer to the HLW vitrification plant.
18

19 The main components of the HLP tank system are:
20

- 21 • HLW Feed Receipt Vessel (HLP-VSL-00022)
- 22 • HLW Lag Storage Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B)
- 23 • HLW Feed Blending Vessel (HLP-VSL-00028)

24

25 The primary design features of the HLP system are:
26

- 27 • Pulse jet mixers in the HLW Feed Receipt Vessel (HLP-VSL-00022), the HLW Lag Storage
28 Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B), and the HLW Feed Blending Vessel (HLP-VSL-00028)
- 29 • Cooling jackets on the HLW Feed Receipt Vessel (HLP-VSL-00022), the HLW Lag Storage
30 Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B), and the HLW Feed Blending Vessel (HLP-VSL-00028)
- 31 • Passive vessel overflow routes for the HLW Feed Receipt Vessel (HLP-VSL-00022), the
32 HLW Lag Storage Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B), and the HLW Feed Blending Vessel
33 (HLP-VSL-00028) to the Ultimate Overflow Vessel (PWD-VSL-00033)
- 34 • Sampling capabilities for the HLW Feed Receipt Vessel (HLP-VSL-00022), the HLW Lag
35 Storage Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B), and the HLW Feed Blending Vessel
36 (HLP-VSL-00028)
- 37 • Vessel wash rings for the HLW Feed Receipt Vessel (HLP-VSL-00022), the HLW Lag
38 Storage Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B), and the HLW Feed Blending Vessel
39 (HLP-VSL-00028)
- 40 • Ventilation (both passive and forced) for the HLW Feed Receipt Vessel (HLP-VSL-00022),
41 the HLW Lag Storage Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B), and the HLW Feed Blending Vessel
42 (HLP-VSL-00028)

1
2 HLW feed from the DST system is received into the HLW Feed Receipt Vessel
3 (HLP-VSL-00022). The waste stored in this vessel is sampled and sent to either the UFP system,
4 the waste feed evaporation process system (FEP), or the waste feed receipt process system (FRP)
5 for processing.
6

7 Treated high solids waste (HLW feed stream) received from the UFP system is stored in the
8 HLW Lag Storage Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B). The waste stored in these vessels is sampled
9 to determine blending and to comply with vitrification parameters of IHLW. In the HLP system,
10 strontium/TRU precipitate slurry is segregated from the other HLW slurry and then blended in
11 the HLW Feed Blending Vessel (HLP-VSL-00028). The HLW Lag Storage Vessels
12 (HLP-VSL-00027B) is a back up vessel to the HLW Feed Blending Vessel (HLP-VSL-00028).
13

14 The HLW feed stream is routed from the HLW Lag Storage Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B) to
15 the HLW Feed Blending Vessel (HLP-VSL-00028). The HLW Feed Blending Vessel also
16 receives cesium that has been recovered from the LAW feed stream in the waste treatment
17 process. The cesium addition rates to the HLW feed stream are controlled based upon the results
18 of the sampling previously conducted in the HLW Lag Storage Vessels (HLP-VSL-00027A/B).
19 The final blended HLW feed stream is then transferred to the HLW vitrification plant for final
20 treatment and immobilization. Alternatively, the blended HLW feed stream may be returned to
21 the DST system.
22

23 4.1.2.5 Cesium Ion Exchange Process System (CXP)

24 Figure 4A-9 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the cesium ion exchange process
25 system (CXP). The primary function of the CXP tank system is to remove cesium from the
26 LAW feed stream. This is accomplished using a series of ion exchange columns containing a
27 resin that preferentially extracts cesium. After caustic and water rinses to remove residual LAW
28 feed, elution of the cesium-loaded resin is accomplished using dilute nitric acid. The
29 cesium-loaded nitric acid is then routed to the cesium nitric acid recovery process system (CNP)
30 with the cesium ultimately processed in the HLW melter.
31

32 The main components of the CXP tank system are:
33

- 34 • Cesium Ion Exchange Columns (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4) for cesium removal
- 35 • Cesium Ion Exchange Feed Vessel (CXP-VSL-00001)
- 36 • Cesium ion Exchange Caustic Rinse Collection Vessel (CXP-VSL-00004)
- 37 • Cesium Reagent Vessel (CXP-VSL-00005)
- 38 • Cesium Ion Exchange Treated LAW Collection Vessels (CXP-VSL-00026A/B/C)
- 39 • Pumps

40
41 The Cesium Ion Exchange Caustic Rinse Collection Vessel (CXP-VSL-00004) is used for
42 receipt and transfer of the caustic rinse. Transfer of the caustic rinse is accomplished using

1 reverse flow diverters. In addition, the Cesium Reagent Vessel (CXP-VSL-00005) is used to
2 supply demineralized water and caustic solutions, as well as to supply nitric acid for elution.

3
4 The Cesium Ion Exchange Feed Vessel (CXP-VSL-00001) receives LAW feed from the UFP
5 system and provides feed buffer capacity to allow continuous operation of the ion exchange
6 system. The CXP uses four Cesium Ion Exchange Columns (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4). At any
7 given time, three of the columns are used in series to remove cesium from the LAW feed stream.
8 The three columns are termed lead, lag, and polishing columns, depending on their position in
9 the train. The fourth column is eluted and regenerated, and is then placed in a standby mode
10 until the lead column reaches the desired cesium loading. At this point, the lead column is
11 rotated out for elution, the lag column becomes the lead, the polishing column becomes the lag,
12 and the standby column is rotated into the polishing position.

13
14 The concentration of cesium in the feed stream is monitored prior to and following each Cesium
15 Ion Exchange Column (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4). When cesium is detected above an established
16 set point following an ion exchange column, the lead column is taken out of the loading cycle,
17 eluted, and the resin bed regenerated while the other columns are placed into the loading cycle.

18
19 Elution is part of a resin bed regeneration cycle that typically includes the following steps:

- 20
21 • Displacement of residual LAW feed stream in the column by rinsing with dilute caustic
22 solution to prevent the potential of precipitating aluminum hydroxide from the LAW feed
23 stream at low pH values. This caustic rinse is provided from the Cesium Ion Exchange
24 Reagent Vessel (CXP-VSL-00005)
- 25 • Displacement of residual dilute caustic solution from the column with demineralized water to
26 prevent an acid-base reaction during elution
- 27 • Elution of cesium ions with dilute nitric acid
- 28 • Displacement of residual acid from the column with demineralized water to prevent an
29 acid-base reaction with the caustic regenerant
- 30 • Regeneration of the resin with caustic solution

31
32 After a number of loading and regeneration cycles, the resin is expected to lose performance and
33 is termed "spent". The number of cycles depends on LAW feed constituents, operating
34 temperatures, properties of the resin, radiation exposure, and LAW feed throughput rates. The
35 spent resin is slurried with recycled resin flush solution and flushed out of the column into the
36 spent resin collection and dewatering process system (RDP) for resin disposal. A slurry of fresh
37 resin is prepared in the cesium resin addition process system (CRP) and then added to the
38 column as an ion exchange column bed replacement.

39
40 A standby elution system is provided by three tanks; one containing nitric acid, another
41 containing demineralized water, and a third tank containing sodium hydroxide. Each tank has a
42 volume sufficient to fully elute one fully loaded column, and one partially loaded column. The
43 tanks are located at an elevation sufficiently high above the Cesium Ion Exchange Columns

1 (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4) to provide enough hydrostatic head to induce flow through the Cesium
2 Ion Exchange Columns (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4) and associated piping to the destination vessel.

3
4 Following cesium ion exchange, the treated LAW feed is transferred to the Cesium Ion
5 Exchange Treated LAW Collection Vessels (CXP-VSL-00026A/B/C) for further treatment in the
6 treated LAW concentrate storage process system (TCP) or the treated LAW evaporation process
7 system (TLP).

8 9 **4.1.2.6 Cesium Nitric Acid Recovery Process System (CNP)**

10 Figure 4A-10 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the cesium nitric acid recovery
11 process system (CNP). The CNP system recovers nitric acid that was previously used for cesium
12 ion exchange resin bed elution so that the nitric acid can be reused as eluant. In addition, this
13 system concentrates and transfers to storage the cesium eluted from the ion exchange system for
14 incorporation into the HLW melter feeds.

15
16 The CNP system is composed of tanks and miscellaneous treatment systems, and consists of the
17 following equipment.

18 19 Tanks

- 20 • Eluate Contingency Storage Vessel (CNP-VSL-00003)
- 21 • Cesium Evaporator Recovered Nitric Acid Vessel (CNP-VSL-00004)
- 22 • Cesium Evaporator Eluant Lute Pot (CNP-VSL-00001)

23 24 Miscellaneous Treatment Systems

- 25 • Cesium Evaporator Separator Vessel (CNP-EVAP-00001)
- 26 • Cesium Evaporator Concentrate Reboiler (CNP-HX-00001)
- 27 • Cesium Evaporator Nitric Acid Rectifier (CNP-DISTC-00001)
- 28 • Cesium Evaporator Primary Condenser (CNP-HX-00002)
- 29 • Cesium Evaporator Secondary Condenser (CNP-HX-00003)
- 30 • Cesium Evaporator After-Condenser (CNP-HX-00004)
- 31 • High Efficiency Particulate Air Filter (CNP-HEPA-00006)
- 32 • Pumps

33
34 During the process of regenerating the cesium ion exchange resin beds, eluate composed of
35 cesium-bearing nitric acid will be fed to the Cesium Evaporator Separator Vessel
36 (CNP-EVAP-00001) operating under reduced pressure. A closed-loop circulation stream is fed
37 from the evaporator to the steam-heated Cesium Evaporator Concentrate Reboiler
38 (CNP-HX-00001) and back to the Cesium Evaporator Separator Vessel (CNP-EVAP-00001).

39
40 Vapor from the Cesium Evaporator Separator Vessel (CNP-EVAP-00001), composed primarily
41 of water and nitric acid, is sent to the Cesium Evaporator Nitric Acid Rectifier

1 (CNP-DISTC-00001) where the nitric acid is recovered for reuse as eluant. Recovered nitric
2 acid is collected in the Cesium Evaporator Recovered Nitric Acid Vessel (CNP-VSL-00004) for
3 reuse in the elution of cesium ion exchange column resin beds. Water vapor is recovered from
4 the Cesium Evaporator Primary Condenser (CNP-HX-00002), Cesium Evaporator Secondary
5 Condenser (CNP-HX-00003), and Cesium Evaporator After-Condenser (CNP-HX-00004), and
6 sent to the PWD system. These condensers are water-cooled shell-and-tube heat exchangers.
7 Uncondensed vapors exiting from the after-condenser are routed to the PVP system for further
8 treatment.

9
10 The cesium concentrated in the evaporator is routed to the HLW Feed Blending Vessel
11 (HLP-VSL-00028) for blending and incorporation into the HLW melter feed streams. This
12 cesium concentrate may also be stored in the Eluate Contingency Storage Vessel
13 (CNP-VSL-00003), which is equipped with a cooling jacket for heat removal.

14
15 The Cesium Evaporator Separator Vessel (CNP-EVAP-00001) is fed through a breakpot and the
16 Cesium Evaporator Eluant Lute Pot (CNP-VSL-00001) in order to create a hydraulic seal to
17 maintain a vacuum in the Cesium Evaporator Separator Vessel (CNP-EVAP-00001).

18
19 The recovered nitric acid is periodically sampled and, depending on the acid concentration of the
20 recovered acid sample, some adjustment may be necessary. Fresh 2 molar nitric acid is available
21 to the Cesium Evaporator Recovered Nitric Acid Vessel (CNP-VSL-00004) along with process
22 condensate to adjust the recovered acid concentration as required.

23
24 The CNP system only operates when a Cesium Ion Exchange Column (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4)
25 is in the process of having its resin bed regenerated through an elution process. When elution of
26 a cesium ion exchange column is not taking place, the nitric acid recovery system is maintained
27 in a standby mode. The major vessels of the CNP system are equipped with internal wash rings
28 for decontamination of the system.

29 30 **4.1.2.7 Cesium Resin Addition Process System (CRP)**

31 Figure 4A-11 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the cesium resin addition process
32 system (CRP). The purpose of the CRP tank system is to provide a means to add fresh resin to
33 the Cesium Ion Exchange Columns (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4). The system provides for
34 preparation of the fresh cesium resin by hydraulically removing fines from the bulk of the resin
35 particles as well as chemically conditioning the fresh resin. After conditioning, the resin is
36 transferred to the ion exchange columns as a slurry, by gravity flow.

37
38 The main components of the CRP tank system are:

- 39
- 40 • Cesium Resin Addition Vessel (CRP-VSL-00001)
- 41 • Cesium Resin Addition Air Gap Vessel (CRP-VSL-00002)
- 42 • Cesium resin addition recycle pump
- 43

1 Cesium is removed from the LAW feed using the ion exchange resin. Each batch of the resin
2 has a limited useful operating life after which it must be removed from the ion exchange column
3 and replaced with fresh resin.

4
5 Fresh resin is delivered per specification by the vendor. It is then transferred from bulk storage
6 with the aid of handling equipment to the resin addition room. The resin is transferred from the
7 shipping container to the Cesium Resin Addition Vessel (CRP-VSL-00001) with an eductor and
8 demineralized water. After transfer, the cesium resin undergoes resin conditioning processes.
9 The resin is then transferred to a Cesium Ion Exchange Column (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4) as a
10 slurry by gravity flow.

11
12 There is a Cesium Resin Addition Air Gap Vessel (CRP-VSL-00002), located on the slurry
13 downcomers to the Cesium Ion Exchange Columns (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4) in the resin addition
14 valve bulge. The function of the Cesium Resin Addition Air Gap Vessel (CRP-VSL-00002) is to
15 prevent back-flow of potentially contaminated gas, resin, or liquid, caused by a leaky or
16 misaligned valve, from feeding back into the Cesium Resin Addition Vessel (CRP-VSL-00002).
17 In the unlikely event of back-flow into the Cesium Resin Addition Air Gap Vessel
18 (CRP-VSL-00002), gas is vented to the pretreatment vessel vent process system (PVP) and other
19 constituents overflow into the Plant Wash Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044) of the plant wash and
20 disposal process system (PWD).

21
22 The cesium resin must be conditioned before processing the LAW feed stream through the
23 Cesium Ion Exchange Columns (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4). The purpose of conditioning is to fully
24 expand the resin and convert the resin into the right ionic form for cesium removal.

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26 **4.1.2.8 Reserved**

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28 **4.1.2.9 Reserved**

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30 **4.1.2.10 Reserved**

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32 **4.1.2.11 Treated LAW Evaporation Process System (TLP)**

33 Figure 4A-16 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the treated LAW evaporation
34 process system (TLP). The primary function of the TLP tank and miscellaneous treatment
35 system is to concentrate treated LAW from the cesium ion exchange process system (CXP).
36 Subsequent to sampling and analysis, the treated LAW is pumped continuously from one of three
37 Cesium Ion Exchange Treated LAW Collection Vessels (CXP-VSL-00026A/B/C) to the
38 evaporator system. The Treated LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel (TLP-SEP-00001) will
39 deliver treated LAW concentrate to the treated LAW concentrate storage process system (TCP)
40 for subsequent vitrification.

41
42 The TLP system also evaporates recycles from the TCP and the radioactive liquid waste disposal
43 process system (RLD), and submerged bed scrubber recycles from LAW vitrification. Overhead

1 vapors and noncondensables from the Treated LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel
2 (TLP-SEP-00001) are routed to the Primary Condenser (TLP-COND-00001). Process
3 condensate from the Primary Condenser (TLP-COND-00001) and steam condensate from the
4 vacuum system are collected in the Treated LAW Evaporator Condensate Vessel
5 (TLP-VSL-00002) and discharged to the RLD system. The noncondensables from the vacuum
6 system are discharged to the pretreatment vessel vent process system (PVP).
7

8 The main components of the TLP tank and miscellaneous treatment system are as follows.
9

10 Tanks

- 11 • LAW SBS Condensate Receipt Vessels (TLP-VSL-00009A/B)
- 12 • Treated LAW Evaporator Condensate Vessel (TLP-VSL-00002)
- 13 • Vessel outlet valve header
- 14 • Pumps

15
16 Miscellaneous Treatment Systems

- 17 • Treated LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel (TLP-SEP-00001)
- 18 • Recirculation pump
- 19 • Reboiler (TLP-RBLR-00001)
- 20 • Concentrate pumps with outlet valve header
- 21 • Primary Condenser (TLP-COND-00001)
- 22 • Inter-Condenser (TLP-COND-00003)
- 23 • After-Condenser (TLP-COND-00002)

24
25 The TLP feed system includes two LAW SBS Condensate Receipt Vessels (TLP-VSL-00009A/
26 B) for managing submerged bed scrubber recycles from LAW vitrification and pretreatment
27 process recycles. One vessel will be in an accumulation mode while the alternate vessel is
28 feeding the Treated LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel (TLP-SEP-00001).
29

30 The design features of the recycle feed components include:

- 31
32 • Internal pulse jet mixers for solids suspension
- 33 • Instrumentation for monitoring of vessel liquid level
- 34 • Vessel vent to the PVP system
- 35 • Passive air purge of the vessel vapor space
- 36 • Pump and line flushing capability
- 37 • Transfer flow rate indication and transfer volume totalizer
- 38 • Remote sampling capability off the discharge of the transfer pumps
- 39 • Vessel spray rings for vessel decontamination

1
2 The evaporator train has the capability to produce 30 gpm of process condensate. The Treated
3 LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel (TLP-SEP-00001) is a forced-circulation unit operating under
4 vacuum to reduce the operating temperature. A recirculation pump maintains a high flow rate
5 from the evaporator separator vessel to the Reboiler (TLP-RBLR-00001). The pump transfers
6 the waste through the Reboiler and back into the Treated LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel
7 (TLP-SEP-00001). The recirculating waste stream is prevented from boiling in the reboiler tubes
8 by maintaining sufficient hydrostatic head (submergence) above the reboiler tubes.

9
10 As the liquid travels out of the Reboiler (TLP-RBLR-00001), the hydrostatic head diminishes
11 and flash evaporation occurs as the flow enters the Treated LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel
12 (TLP-SEP-00001). The liquid continues to flash and the vapor and liquid streams are separated
13 (liquid-vapor disengagement). The liquid stream circulates in this loop and becomes more
14 concentrated, while the vapor stream passes through a demisting section to the evaporator
15 condensing system. The concentrate off-take is pumped from the bottom of the Treated LAW
16 Evaporator Separator Vessel (TLP-SEP-00001) at the controlled liquid density and is discharged
17 to the TCP system as feed to LAW vitrification.

18
19 The design features of the evaporator trains include:

- 20
21 • Operating pressure indication and control
22 • Differential pressure indication across the Treated LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel
23 (TLP-SEP-00001) demister section
24 • Water sprays to the treated LAW Evaporator Separator vessel (TLP-SEP-00001) demister
25 section
26 • Process condensate radiation monitoring and recycle capability
27 • Low-pressure steam supply and conditioning for heating the Reboiler (TLP-RBLR-00001)
28 • Reboiler (TLP-RBLR-00001) tube leak detection and diversion capability
29 • Reboiler (TLP-RBLR-00001) steam condensate collection
30 • Instrumentation for monitoring and control of vessel liquid level
31 • Passive venting via the downstream vessels connected to the vent header
32 • Capability to drain, flush, and chemically clean the system

33
34 The vapor stream exiting the Treated LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel (TLP-SEP-00001) is
35 condensed in a three-stage condenser system consisting of a Primary Condenser
36 (TLP-COND-00001), an Inter-Condenser (TLP-COND-00002), and an After-Condenser
37 (TLP-COND-00003). A two-stage high-pressure steam vacuum system between the condensers
38 maintains an operating pressure of approximately 1 psi on the Treated LAW Evaporator
39 Separator Vessel (TLP-SEP-00001). The noncondensables exiting downstream of the After-
40 Condenser (TLP-COND-00003) are routed to the PVP system for treatment.

41
42 Design features include:

1
2 Instrumentation for monitoring and control of vessel liquid level

- 3 • Vessel vent to the PVP system to prevent pressurization of a vessel
4 • Outlet valve header
5 • Remote sampling capability of the transfer pump discharge
6 • Dip legs in the vessel that maintain a liquid seal (pressure boundary) between the vessel and
7 the condensers
8 • Makeup recycle water as required for startup

9
10 The condensed vapor from the condensing unit is collected in the Treated LAW Evaporator
11 Condensate Vessel (TLP-VSL-00002). A small fraction of the total condensate is recycled to the
12 Treated LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel (TLP-SEP-00001) demister water sprays. The
13 balance of the condensate is transferred to the RLD system.

14
15 Condensate from the primary condenser is monitored for activity. In the event of activity
16 breakthrough being detected, a treated LAW evaporator separator system shutdown is initiated
17 and the contents of the Treated LAW Evaporator Condensate Vessel (TLP-VSL-00002) are
18 transferred to a LAW SBS Condensate Receipt Vessels (TLP-VSL-00009A/B).

19
20 The black cells and hot cell are partially lined with stainless steel for secondary containment, and
21 are equipped with an instrumented sump or sumps for leak detection. The sumps are equipped
22 with a steam emptying ejector.

23
24 **4.1.2.12 Treated LAW Concentrate Storage Process System (TCP)**

25 Figure 4A-16 presents a simplified process-flow diagram of the treated LAW concentrate storage
26 process system (TCP). The primary function of the TCP tank system is to receive treated LAW
27 concentrate from the treated LAW evaporation process system (TLP) and store the material for
28 subsequent batch transfer to the LAW vitrification plant. Dilute treated LAW direct from the
29 cesium ion exchange process system (CXP) can also be received and stored in the TCP system
30 (evaporator by-pass option). The Treated LAW Concentrate Storage Vessel (TCP-VSL-00001)
31 provides approximately 7 days of lag storage to sustain ILAW glass production if the
32 pretreatment processing is interrupted.

33
34 Out-of-specification treated LAW concentrate can be recycled to the waste feed receipt-process
35 system (FRP) for rework through pretreatment, or recycled to the TLP system for blending and
36 additional evaporation. Under strict administrative control (sampling and jumper installation),
37 the Treated LAW Concentrate Storage Vessel (TCP-VSL-00001) can also receive washed and
38 leached solids directly from the UFP system if the solids meet treated LAW feed specification.

39
40 During commissioning, treated LAW concentrate may be stored in a dedicated FRP vessel for
41 additional lag storage capacity. Transfers from and to the TCP and FRP systems will also be
42 under strict administrative control (sampling and jumper installation).

1 The main components of the TCP tank system are:
2

- 3 • Treated LAW Concentrate Storage Vessel (TCP-VSL-00001)
- 4 • Pumps for transferring treated LAW concentrate
- 5 • Three waste transfer lines to LAW vitrification
- 6 • Vessel inlet and outlet valve headers

7
8 Treated LAW concentrate is batch-transferred from the tank to LAW vitrification through the
9 inner pipe of any one of three co-axial transfer lines (two connected, one unconnected spare).
10 The inlet and outlet valve headers and pumps are used in combination to facilitate circulation and
11 sampling, forward transfer to LAW vitrification, and recycle to the TLP system or FRP system.

12
13 TCP system design features include:
14

- 15 • Capability to pressure test both the inner and outer transfer lines for integrity
- 16 • Transfer line leak detection system for integrity indication during transfer
- 17 • Transfer line flushing and draining capability
- 18 • Instrumentation for monitoring vessel liquid level
- 19 • Vessel vent to the PVP system
- 20 • Direct steam injection to maintain the concentrate temperature above the saturation
21 temperature (freezing point)
- 22 • Internal pulse jet mixers (PJMs) for solids suspension and slurry mixing
- 23 • Remote sampling capability off the discharge of the transfer pump
- 24 • Vessel spray rings for vessel decontamination
- 25 • Administrative controls and radiation monitoring to ensure that treated LAW transferred into
26 and from the vessel meets waste specification for LAW vitrification.

27
28 The Treated LAW Concentrate Storage Vessel (TCP-VSL-00001) is designed for a 40-year life
29 and is of welded stainless steel construction. The vessel is located in an inaccessible (black) cell.
30 The cell is partially lined with welded stainless steel plate for secondary containment. This
31 secondary containment will have a gradient designed to channel liquid to a low-point sump. The
32 sump is equipped with liquid level instrumentation and is alarmed for detecting loss of vessel or
33 piping integrity. Each sump is equipped with an emptying ejector.

34
35 The TCP system pumps and valve headers exposed to low radiation potential are located in a
36 C3/R3 area for ease of maintenance. The radiation monitor and valves with potential exposure to
37 elevated radiation are contained within a shielded bulge attached to the outside wall of the black
38 cell. The bulge provides secondary containment and is equipped with decontamination sprays,
39 liquid level instrumentation, a drain to the Ultimate Overflow Vessel (PWD-VSL-00033).
40

1 **4.1.2.13 Spent Resin Collection and Dewatering Process System (RDP)**

2 Figure 4A-15 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the spent resin collection and
3 dewatering process system (RDP). The RDP system provides for the periodic removal of spent
4 ion exchange resin.

5
6 The primary components of the RDP tank system include:

- 7
8 • Spent Resin Slurry Vessels (RDP-VSL-00002A/B/C)
9 • Spent Resin Dewatering Moisture Separation Vessel (RDP-VSL-00004)
10 • Transfer pumps

11
12 The spent resin collection process is initiated by flushing an eluted Cesium Ion Exchange
13 Column (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4) and hydraulically discharging the contents into a Spent Resin
14 Slurry Vessel (RDP-VSL-00002A/B/C). Spent resin is removed from each Cesium Ion
15 Exchange Column independently as a batch operation. All three Spent Resin Slurry Vessels
16 (RDP-VSL-00002A/B/C) are interchangeable and will be capable of storing transport liquid and
17 resin slurry.

18
19 Once in the spent resin slurry vessel, the resin slurry will be mixed by pulse jet mixers and
20 monitored for radiation (gamma) content in a circulation loop to determine if elution has
21 sufficiently removed radionuclides from the resin for disposal.

22
23 Resin that does not meet the predetermined treatment limits will be routed back to the Cesium
24 Ion Exchange Columns (CXP-IXC-00001/2/3/4) for additional elution. After completing the
25 additional elution, the resin is transferred back to a Spent Resin Slurry Vessels
26 (RDP-VSL-00002A/B/C/D) where it begins processing again.

27
28 Following assurance that the spent resin is in compliance with the receiving TSD unit's
29 acceptance criteria, the resin is pumped to the disposable spent resin dewatering container.
30 When the transfer operation is completed, water is used to flush resin remaining in the transfer
31 pump and line to the spent resin dewatering container.

32
33 There are three steps to resin dewatering. First, a gross dewatering removes excess water while
34 the slurry is pumped to the container. Next, a dewatering pump is used to remove standing water
35 from the resin bed. Finally, circulation of a warm, dry air stream through the spent resin
36 evaporates the remaining liquid. The moist air stream leaving the dewatering container is cooled
37 in the Spent Resin Dewatering Moisture Separation Vessel (RDP-VSL-00004) where the
38 moisture is condensed and separated. The dry air from the spent resin dewatering moisture
39 separation vessel is circulated past a heater and through the resin again. When the water content
40 in the resin is reduced to an acceptable level, the operation is complete.

41
42 At times, internal decontamination of vessels may be required. The primary permanent process
43 vessels are fitted with wash rings for decontamination by flushing. Wash systems will be able to

1 introduce water, caustic solution, or acid. The stainless steel lined floor provides secondary
2 containment.

3

4 **4.1.2.14 Pretreatment Maintenance**

5 The pretreatment plant will include maintenance facilities that will enable remote and hands-on
6 maintenance of process equipment, and will consist of the following systems:

7

- 8 • Pretreatment in-cell handling system (PIH)
- 9 • Pretreatment filter cave handling system (PFH)
- 10 • Radioactive solid waste handling system (RWH)

11

12 The individual systems and their primary functions are described below:

13

14 Pretreatment In-Cell Handling System (PIH)

15 The purpose of this system is to decontaminate and perform maintenance on process equipment
16 in the hot cell. The equipment in the system will perform the following functions:

17

- 18 • Decontamination of contaminated equipment using the Decontamination Soak Tank
19 (PIH-TK-00001)
- 20 • Providing fixtures for holding components while doing work
- 21 • Disassembling, repairing, and reassembling failed contaminated process equipment remotely

22

23 Typical process equipment that the system will handle are pumps, valves, jumpers, small vessels,
24 and ancillary equipment and/or tools. Maintenance equipment requiring periodic servicing by
25 this system will include cranes, manipulators, and decontamination and disassembly tools.

26

27 Equipment in this system will include:

28

- 29 • Overhead cranes
- 30 • Manipulators (powered and manual)
- 31 • Shield and airlock doors
- 32 • Size reduction equipment (cutters, shears, etc.)
- 33 • Crane deployed equipment, such as impact wrenches and spreader bars
- 34 • Fixtures
- 35 • Decontamination equipment (carbon dioxide, wash down, Decontamination Soak Tank
36 [PIH-TK-00001])
- 37 • Manipulator-operated assembly/disassembly tools used in repair

38

1 Pretreatment Filter Cave Handling System (PFH)

2 The purpose of this system is to provide a method for performing maintenance on ventilation
3 equipment in the filter cave. The equipment in this system will provide the following functions:

- 4
- 5 • Lifting, holding, transporting, installing/uncoupling primarily filters, some process
 - 6 equipment, and failed in-cell cranes and powered manipulators
 - 7 • Providing fixtures for holding components while doing work
 - 8 • Operation of some manual valves
 - 9 • Decontamination and monitoring of contaminated equipment
 - 10 • Size reduction equipment (filter crushing)

11

12 Typical ventilation equipment the PFH system will handle are HEPA filters and high-efficiency
13 mist eliminators (HEMEs), and duct isolation valves, inside the cell. Maintenance equipment
14 requiring periodic servicing by this system will include cranes, manipulators, and
15 decontamination and disassembly tools.

16

17 Equipment in this system will include:

- 18
- 19 • Overhead cranes
 - 20 • Manipulators (powered and manual)
 - 21 • Shield and airlock doors
 - 22 • Crane deployed equipment, such as impact wrenches and spreader bars
 - 23 • Decontamination equipment (carbon dioxide, wash down)
 - 24 • Manipulator-deployed assembly/disassembly tools used in repair

25

26 Radioactive Solid Waste Handling System (RWH)

27 The purpose of this system is to provide a means to dispose of mixed waste contaminated
28 equipment. This system interfaces with system PIH, system PFH, and the spent resin dewatering
29 system. The main functions system RWH provides are:

- 30
- 31 • Lifting, holding, and transporting disposal containers
 - 32 • Packaging disposal containers and preparing the containers for shipping
 - 33 • Cleaning and remote monitoring of disposal containers
 - 34 • Temporary shielding and confinement barriers

35

36 Typical process and ventilation equipment the system will handle are failed process equipment,
37 such as pumps and valves, filters, jumpers, and maintenance equipment.

38

39 Equipment in this system will include:

- 40
- 41 • Overhead cranes

- 1 • Manipulators (manual)
- 2 • Carts for transporting waste containers
- 3 • Associated support equipment, like impact wrenches and spreader bars
- 4 • Decontamination systems, such as carbon dioxide
- 5 • Remote radioactive monitoring
- 6 • Temporary shielding and confinement barriers used for packaging
- 7 • Disposal containers

8

9 **4.1.2.15 Plant Wash and Disposal System (PWD)**

10 Figure 4A-17 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the plant wash and disposal system
11 (PWD). The primary function of the PWD tank system is to receive, store, and transfer effluent.
12 It will collect plant wash, drains, and acidic or alkaline effluent from the pretreatment plant.

13

14 The primary components of the PWD tank system include:

15

- 16 • C3 Floor Drain Collection Vessel (PWD-VSL-00046)
- 17 • Acidic/Alkaline Effluent Vessels (PWD-VSL-00015/16)
- 18 • Plant Wash Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044)
- 19 • HLW Effluent Transfer Vessel (PWD-VSL-00043)
- 20 • Ultimate Overflow Vessel (PWD-VSL-00033)
- 21 • Pumps, piping, and instrumentation for waste transfers

22

23 Plant Wash Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044)

24 During operations, plant wash and drain effluents will be collected and mixed in with other
25 effluents in the Plant Wash Vessel prior to transfer. The solution will be analyzed for pH and
26 excess acidic effluent will be neutralized. Effluents will be recycled to the FEP system.

27

28 The level in the Plant Wash Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044) is monitored. Pulse jet mixers are used
29 to provide a uniform mixture during neutralization within the Plant Wash Vessel. Excess acidic
30 effluent is neutralized with sodium hydroxide supplied from a reagent header. Wash rings are
31 used for vessel washing. Vessel-emptying ejectors may be used for transfers to the Acid/
32 Alkaline Effluent Vessel (PWD-VSL-00016).

33

34 A reverse flow diverter supplies a representative sample of the contents of the Plant Wash Vessel
35 (PWD-VSL-00044) for analysis. If the pH is confirmed to be above a predetermined value,
36 reverse flow diverters transfer the effluent from the Plant Wash Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044) to the
37 Waste Feed Evaporator Feed Vessels (FEP-VSL-00017A/B). Normally, the contents of the Plant
38 Wash Vessel is blended with the contents of the Acid/Alkaline Effluent Vessels
39 (PWD-VSL-00015/16) in the Waste Feed Evaporator Feed Vessels to maintain a consistent
40 evaporator feed.

41

1 The Plant Wash Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044) vents to the pretreatment vessel vent process system
2 (PVP), via a Vessel Vent Caustic Scrubber (PVP-SCB-00002) and the vessel vent header. An air
3 in-bleed is provided to dilute hydrogen generated through radiolysis in the Plant Wash Vessel.
4

5 Acidic/Alkaline Effluent Vessels (PWD-VSL-00015/16)

6 The Acidic/Alkaline Effluent Vessels primarily receive alkaline-cleaning effluent from the UFP
7 system, caustic rinse from the cesium ion exchange process system (CXP), and process
8 condensate from the cesium nitric acid recovery process system (CNP). The effluents are
9 sampled to confirm that the pH is above a predetermined value, and reverse flow diverters
10 transfer the high-activity effluents to the Waste Feed Evaporator Feed Vessels
11 (FEP-VSL-00017A/B) for recycle.
12

13 The level and temperature in the Acidic/Alkaline Effluent Vessels (PWD-VSL-00015/16) are
14 monitored.
15

16 HLW Effluent Transfer Vessel (PWD-VSL-00043)

17 The HLW Effluent Transfer Vessel receives HLW acidic wastes from HLW vitrification line
18 drains from HLW vitrification/pretreatment plant transfer lines, and laboratory drains. These
19 effluents are transferred to the Plant Wash Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044) to recover the effluents
20 back into the process system.
21

22 C3 Floor Drain Collection Vessel (PWD-VSL-00046)

23 The C3 Floor Drain Collection Vessel receives floor drains and material from the sump in the
24 local pit. Sampling capability has been provided but will not normally be used. This material
25 will be transferred to the Alkaline Effluent Vessels (RLD-VSL-00017A/B). The C3 Floor Drain
26 Collection Vessel (PWD-VSL-00046) is vented locally through a high-efficiency particulate air
27 filtration system.
28

29 Ultimate Overflow Vessel (PWD-VSL-00033)

30 The Ultimate Overflow Vessel receives overflows from vessels in the pretreatment plant.
31 Additionally, this vessel receives line drains and flushes. The vessel operating level is
32 maintained below a predetermined level to allow the vessel to hold 30 minutes of overflow at the
33 highest transfer rate within the plant.
34

35 The PWD vessels vent to the PVP system via a vessel vent Caustic Scrubber (PVP-SCB-00002)
36 and the vessel vent header. An air in-bleed is provided to dilute hydrogen generated through
37 radiolysis in the PWD vessels.
38

39 **4.1.2.16 Radioactive Liquid Waste Disposal System (RLD)**

40 Figure 4A-18 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the radioactive liquid waste disposal
41 system (RLD). The primary function of the RLD tank system is to receive, store, and transfer
42 contaminated liquid effluents. The RLD system will receive low-activity mixed waste and/or
43 dangerous waste effluents.
44

1 The primary components of the RLD tank system include:
2

- 3 • Process Condensate Tanks (RLD-TK-00006A/B)
- 4 • Alkaline Effluent Vessels (RLD-VSL-00017A/B)
- 5 • Pumps, piping, and instrumentation for transfers

6
7 Alkaline Effluent Vessels (RLD-VSL-00017A/B)

8 These RLD vessels primarily receive effluent from the caustic scrubber purges from the LAW
9 vitrification plant and waste feed from the C3 Floor Drain Collection Vessel (PWD-VSL-00046).
10

11 When these vessels reach a predetermined level, they are sampled, and if this material meets the
12 LERF/ETF requirements it will be transferred to the Process Condensate Tanks
13 (RLD-TK-00006A/B). If the material does not meet LERF/ETF acceptance requirements, the
14 material will be returned to the treated LAW evaporation process system (TLP) for reprocessing.
15

16 Process Condensate Tanks (RLD-TK-00006A/B)

17 Effluents are the condensed vapors removed from the waste streams by the pretreatment
18 evaporators. Waste feed evaporator feed process (FEP) effluents and treated LAW evaporation
19 process (TLP) effluents are normally received directly into the Process Condensate Tank
20 (RLD-TK-00006A). The effluents from the Process Condensate Tank (RLD-TK-00006A) are
21 recycled back into the process or discharged to the Process Condensate Tank
22 (RLD-TK-00006B).
23

24 The effluent in the Process Condensate Tanks will be sampled, as needed, to demonstrate
25 compliance with the LERF/ETF waste acceptance criteria. It may also be sampled should a
26 process upset occur. If analysis determines that the effluent is outside the waste acceptance
27 criteria, it will be returned to the TLP for reprocessing.
28

29 The Alkaline Effluent Vessels (RLD-VSL-00017A/B) and Process Condensate Tanks
30 (RLD-TK-00006A/B) are vented to the PVP system.
31

32 **4.1.2.17 Pretreatment Plant Vessel Vent Process and Exhaust System (PVP/PVV)**

33 Figure 4A-19 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the pretreatment plant vessel vent
34 process and exhaust system (PVP/PVV). The pretreatment vessel vent process system (PVP)
35 and exhaust system (PVV) provide the function of air purging of the head spaces of various
36 process vessels for radiolytic hydrogen control, collection of vent exhausts from process vessels,
37 and process treatment and filtration of the vessel vent exhaust gases before discharging to the
38 PTF stack.
39

1 The PVP and PVV systems are composed of tanks and miscellaneous treatment systems, as
2 follows:

3
4 Tanks

- 5 • Vessel Ventilation HEME Drain Collection Vessel (PVP-VSL-00001)

6
7 Miscellaneous Unit Systems

- 8 • Caustic Scrubber (PVP-SCB-00002)
9 • High-Efficiency Mist Eliminators (PVP-HEME-00001A/B/C)
10 • Electric Heaters (PVP-HTR-00001A/B/C)
11 • Air in-bleed HEPA Filters (PVP-HEPA-000023/24/28/29/30/31/32/33/34/35)
12 • Primary HEPA Filters (PVP-HEPA-00001A/B/C)
13 • Secondary HEPA Filters (PVV-HEPA-00002A/B/C)
14 • Volatile organic compound (VOC) Oxidizer Unit (PVP-OXID-00001)
15 • After-Cooler (PVP-CLR-00001)
16 • Carbon Bed Adsorbers (PVP-ADBR-00001A/B)
17 • Adsorber Outlet Filter (PVP-FILT-00001)
18 • Pumps
19 • Exhaust Fans (PVV-FAN-00001A/B)
20 • PVV stack

21
22 The PVP and PVV systems have the following design features:

- 23
24 • Provide forced and passive purge air to remove radiolytic hydrogen
25 • Collect vent gases from the process vessels
26 • Treat the combined exhaust gases to adsorb soluble nitrogen oxide and acid gases, remove
27 liquid droplets, condensate, mists, and solid particulates in the PVP system.
28 • Preheat vent gases to control relative humidity and remove particulates with two stages of
29 HEPA filters
30 • Provide additional treatment for the oxidation and removal of volatile organic compounds
31 from the filtered exhaust gases in the PVP system. The filtered treated exhaust gases will
32 then flow to the exhaust fans in the PVV system for venting to the atmosphere

33
34 Purge air supply

35 Continuous air purge to process vessels is the primary control strategy for radiolytic produced
36 hydrogen. Additional airflow above the minimum hydrogen control rate may be introduced to
37 each vessel to help balance the system and ensure that vessels are obtaining the minimum
38 required flow.
39

1 The purge air in-bleed to vessels in the pretreatment area is a passive feature. The process
2 vessels located in the C5 ventilation area will draw passive purge air in-bleed from the C5
3 ventilation area near the vessels via subheaders. Other vessels located in the C3 ventilation area
4 and Process Condensate Tanks (RLD-TK-00006A/B) located outside the pretreatment building
5 will draw air in-bleed from the C3 ventilation area near the vessels through the inlet HEPA
6 filters. The operating fan provides the motive force for airflow by maintaining a negative
7 pressure in each vessel.

8
9 Forced purge air to the selected process vessels is also provided from the plant service air supply
10 header during normal and abnormal operations. Each of the selected process vessels is provided
11 with the required airflow to control the hydrogen concentration below 1 % in the vessel during
12 normal operation and below 4 % (lower flammability limit) during abnormal conditions. The
13 supply line to each of these selected process vessels, which requires forced purge air during
14 normal operation, is provided by two trains of valves and flow elements to meet the high
15 reliability requirements.

16
17 For the Waste Feed Evaporator Separator Vessels (FEP-SEP-00001A/B) and the Treated LAW
18 Evaporator Separator Vessel (TLP-SEP-00001), which require forced purge air only during a
19 shutdown or a loss of off-site power event, there are two separate trains of actuated valves and
20 flow elements provided for each. The actuated valves for both of these trains are normally in
21 closed position, but will fail open during the shutdown or loss of off-site power event.

22 23 Collection of vent gases (exhaust piping system)

24 From the individual process vessel, a vent line routes exhaust gases to a subheader, usually one
25 for each cell or group of vessels within a cell. The connection to the subheaders from the
26 process vessels are arranged, where possible, to maintain airflow from normally lower activity
27 vessels to (or past) normally higher activity level vessels. Vent exhaust gases from various
28 process vessels are combined to flow via subheaders to the Caustic Scrubber (PVP-SCB-00002).
29 The vent gases from the vessels located in the C3 areas and the Process Condensate Tanks
30 (RLD-TK-00006A/B), located outside the pretreatment building, will be collected via other
31 subheaders that combine into the common exhaust header. Any condensate formed in the
32 common exhaust header will flow by gravity into Plant Wash Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044).

33 34 Caustic Scrubber (PVP-SCB-00002)

35 The vessel vent exhausts flow into the Caustic Scrubber. The Caustic Scrubber is operated
36 continuously to remove the nitrogen oxide and acid gases from the vessel vents. The vent gases
37 flow to the inlet of the scrubber and flow upwards through a bed filled with packing. Alkaline
38 scrubbing liquid flows down through the packed bed. Contact between the gas and the scrubbing
39 liquid in the bed causes part of the nitrogen oxide and acid gases present in the vent offgases to
40 react with the caustic in the scrubbing liquid and to adsorb and form sodium salts, which stay in
41 solution. The scrubbing liquid solution is collected in the scrubber sump vessel located below
42 the packed bed section of the scrubber.

43
44 Two scrubber recirculation pumps (one operating and one in standby) continuously recirculate
45 the scrubbing liquid solution to the top of the packed bed section of the scrubber. The operating

1 pump also recirculates part of the solution directly into the sump vessel located below the
2 scrubber to provide adequate mixing of the liquid in the vessel. The scrubber pump also
3 transfers the collected condensate and scrubbing liquid normally once a day or on high level to
4 the Plant Wash Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044). A section of dry packing located above the main
5 packed section removes any entrained liquid droplets from the exit gases. A wash-water ring is
6 provided above each of the packed sections to wash off any accumulation of solids. Fresh 5
7 molar caustic solution is added intermittently from the sodium hydroxide reagent process system
8 (SHR). The caustic solution in the scrubber sump vessel is added intermittently to maintain the
9 pH range for the scrubbing liquid recirculating to the top of the main packed section.

10
11 When needed, demineralized water is also added to the Caustic Scrubber wash rings to clean the
12 dry packing or for makeup requirements. The level in the scrubber sump vessel is controlled
13 between low and high operating level by batch transfer of the scrubber solution normally once
14 every day to the Plant Wash Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044) in the PWD system.

15
16 The outlet gases from the Caustic Scrubber (PVP-SCB-00002) flow to the HEMEs. The inlet,
17 outlet, and bypass valves are provided for the Caustic Scrubber. The valves will be operated by
18 a manipulator in the pretreatment filter cave area.

19
20 High-Efficiency Mist Eliminators (PVP-HEME-00001A/B/C)

21 The HEMEs will be composed of deep-bed fiber filter elements configured in an annular shape
22 to remove fine aerosols. Vent gases from the scrubber flow into two HEMEs, with the third
23 HEME available as standby. Gases flow from the outside to the inside hollow core. The treated
24 gas exits at the top and the liquid collects at the sealed bottom in a drainpipe. The HEMEs are
25 operated wet at all times to allow drainage of soluble liquid aerosols that accumulate in the
26 fibers, form a liquid film, and drop to the drain line below to the Vessel Ventilation HEME Drain
27 Collection Vessel (PVP-VSL-00001). Continuous atomizing spray of demineralized water is
28 provided at the gas inlet nozzle for each operating HEME. An intermittent wash spray of the
29 filter elements will be used to remove any accumulated debris, thus extending the service life of
30 the HEME elements. Intermittent washing will normally be carried out off-line.

31
32 Three separate HEMEs will treat the vessel vent offgas stream. This configuration will permit
33 washing each HEME while it is offline. The HEME effluent will be discharged to the Vessel
34 Ventilation HEME Drain Collection Vessel (PVP-VSL-00001) and then to the Plant Wash
35 Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044) in the PWD system.

36
37 Electric Heaters (PVV-HTR-00001A/B/C)

38 After treatment in HEMEs, the vessel ventilation offgas stream enters the PVV system where
39 these gases will be heated by Electric Heaters (PVV-HTR-00001A/B/C) so that the exhaust
40 gases will be preheated above their dew point to prevent condensation in the downstream PVV
41 HEPA filters.

42
43 The PVV system also includes HEPA filters, exhaust fans, and the exhaust stack. The VOC
44 Oxidation Unit (PVP-OXID-00001) and the Carbon Bed Adsorbers (PVP-ABS-00001A/B) will
45 be part of the PVP system, but they are located between the HEPA filters and the exhaust fans.

1
2 Primary HEPA Filters (PVV-HEPA-00001A/B/C)

3 The preheated vent exhaust gases from the heaters flow into one of the three Primary HEPA
4 filters, which will be on line while the other two are available as standby offline. The HEPA
5 filter will remove the particulates from the gas stream. The Primary HEPA Filters will be
6 located in the pretreatment filter cave area (room P-0335) for remote maintenance.
7

8 Secondary HEPA Filters (PVV-HEPA-00002A/B/C)

9 The gases from the Primary HEPA Filter flow into one of the three Secondary HEPA Filters,
10 which will be on line while the other two are available as standby offline. The Secondary HEPA
11 Filter will remove the particulates from the exhaust gases.
12

13 After the Primary and Secondary HEPA Filters remove the particulates from the vessel vent
14 exhaust stream in the PVV system, the filtered vent exhaust stream returns to the PVP system for
15 abatement of volatile organic compounds. The volatile organic compound abatement process
16 functions to remove vapor-phase organic compounds from the PVP vent gas. This abatement
17 process takes place within an oxidation system followed by an adsorption system. The oxidation
18 system includes a VOC Oxidizer Unit (PVP-OXID-00001) and an After-Cooler
19 (PVP-CLR-00001). The adsorption system includes Carbon Bed Adsorbers
20 (PVP-ADBR-00001A/B) and a medium efficiency Adsorber Outlet Filters
21 (PVP-FILT-00001A/B).
22

23 VOC Oxidizer Unit (PVP-OXID-00001)

24 To remove volatile organics compounds from the vessel vent stream, a skid-mounted electric,
25 noncatalyzed oxidizer unit will be used. In this unit, volatile organic compounds are oxidized to
26 carbon dioxide and water vapor at high temperature in the presence of excess oxygen.
27

28 The VOC Thermal Oxidizer will be a vendor-designed unit suitable for this specific application.
29 By virtue of its heat recovery scheme, the unit is classified specifically as a regenerative thermal
30 oxidizer. The oxidizer system will consist of three heat transfer beds, electric heat elements
31 within the reaction section, and a downstream trim cooler (after-cooler). All high-temperature
32 components of the system will be insulated to minimize heat losses.
33

34 Oxidation of organic compounds is an exothermic reaction; therefore, it significantly increases
35 the offgas temperature. The offgas then enters the heat recovery unit to transfer the heat to the
36 bed, which will then be used for preheating the incoming offgas. The cooled gas stream is then
37 directed to the After-Cooler (PVP-CLR-00001). The treated gases are cooled by the cooling
38 water. Any condensate generated by cooling of the gases will flow to the C3 Floor Drain
39 Collection Vessel (PWD-VSL-00046).
40

41 Carbon Bed Adsorbers (PVP-ADBR-00001A/B)

42 Two parallel Carbon Bed Adsorbers are provided for the final treatment of vent gases. The
43 adsorbers are filled with activated carbon. The adsorber will further reduce volatile organic
44 compounds from the vessel vent exhaust gases. The VOC Oxidizer Unit (PVP-OXID-00001)
45 will remove most of the volatile organic compounds from the vessel vent, and the Carbon Bed

1 Adsorbers (PVP-ADBR-00001A/B) will remove the remaining volatile organic compounds.
2 Normal operation will be one unit online while the other is in maintenance mode.
3

4 Adsorber Outlet Filters (PVP-FILT-00001A/B)

5 The treated gases from the Carbon Bed Adsorbers (PVP-ADBR-00001A/B) will flow into this
6 filter, wherein fine carbon particles, if any are present in the vent gases, will be filtered. This
7 filter is also provided with a bypass line and isolation valves to enable replacement of the filter.
8

9 Exhaust Fans (PVV-FAN-00001A/B)

10 After the filtration in the Adsorber Outlet Filters (PVP-FILT-00001A/B), the vent gases will
11 flow into the Exhaust Fan in the PVV system. Two Exhaust Fans are provided. One will be in
12 operation while the second one will be on standby. The Exhaust Fans provide the necessary
13 motive force to extract the vent gases from the head spaces of various process vessels and
14 provides for the required pressure drop through various treatment equipment in the PVP/PVV
15 systems. The Exhaust Fans will maintain a constant suction pressure at the inlet to the Caustic
16 Scrubber (PVP-SCB-00002). The Exhaust Fans (PVV-FAN-00001A/B) will have suitable speed
17 control to accommodate variation in the vent gas flow rates from various vessels.
18

19 In addition to the instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks addressed in section 4.1.2, the
20 following will be provided for the PVP/PVV systems to indicate or prevent the following
21 conditions:
22

- 23 • Purge air flow measurement:
 - 24 - Passive purge air flow rate will be measured for the process vessels including low flow
 - 25 alarm for each of these flow instruments.
 - 26 - Forced purge air flow rate will be measured and low flow alarmed for the process vessels
 - 27 that require the control of hydrogen concentration. These instruments will have
 - 28 important-to-safety instrument function.
- 29 • For the HEMEs;
 - 30 - The outlet pressure, pressure drop, and the flow rates will be monitored and controlled.
 - 31 - Demineralized water supply for HEMEs will have monitoring for the inlet pressure and
 - 32 flow rates.
- 33 • For the HEPA filters, the pressure drop will be monitored and controlled within the required
34 limits.
- 35 • For the VOC Oxidizer Unit (PVP-OXID-00001):
 - 36 - The thermal oxidizer reaction zone, the outlet temperatures, and the pressure drop will be
 - 37 monitored and controlled.
 - 38 - The oxidizer bypass valve cannot be opened unless the reaction zone temperature has
 - 39 been attained.
- 40 • For the carbon bed adsorber:
 - 41 - The pressure drop through the bed will be monitored and controlled.
 - 42 - The differential temperature across the carbon bed will be monitored.

- 1 • For the adsorber outlet filter, the pressure drop will be monitored and controlled.
2

3 4.1.2.18 Pulse Jet Ventilation System (PJV)

4 Figure 4A-128 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the pulse jet ventilation system
5 (PJV). The pulse jet ventilation system (PJV) provides the safety function to treat the exhausts
6 from reverse flow diverters and pulse jet mixers operating inside various process vessels before
7 release to the atmosphere via the pretreatment plant stack. The PJV system consists of process
8 and HVAC equipment for removal of aerosols and particulates. The PJV system is composed of
9 tanks and miscellaneous treatment systems, as follows:
10

11 Tanks

- 12 • PJV HEME Drain Collection Vessel (PJV-VSL-00002)
13

14 Miscellaneous Treatment Systems

- 15 • Demisters (PJV-DMST-00002A/B/C)
16 • Air In-Bleed Filters (PJV-FLTH-00001A/B)
17 • Electric Heaters (PJV-HTR-00001A/B)
18 • Air In-Bleed HEPA Filters (PJV-HEPA-00003A/B)
19 • Primary HEPA Filters (PJV-HEPA-00001A/B/C/D/E/F/G)
20 • Secondary HEPA Filters (PJV-HEPA-00002A/B/C/D/E/F)
21 • Exhaust Fans (PJV-FAN-00001A/B/C)
22 • Pumps
23

24 The PJV system provides the containment and confinement of exhausts from various reverse
25 flow diverters and pulse jet mixers operating inside the PTF process vessels. This system
26 provides the removal of mists and aerosols from the combined PJV exhausts stream by demisters
27 (medium-efficiency mist eliminators). The treated exhaust gases are mixed with hot air in-bleed
28 from the C3 ventilation area to adjust their relative humidity, followed by two stages of HEPA
29 filtration to remove particulates. The filtered effluent gases flow to the Exhaust Fans
30 (PJV-FAN-00001A/B/C). The treated filtered exhaust stream will be monitored before it is
31 discharged to the atmosphere.
32

33 Collection of Exhaust Gases (Exhaust Piping System)

34 The PJV system receives the exhaust via several subheaders from the reverse flow diverters and
35 pulse jet mixers operating in various process vessels in the pretreatment area. The exhausts are
36 combined from various subheaders to flow via the inlet header to the Demisters
37 (PJV-DMST-00002A/B/C). The low points of the inlet header and subheaders are provided with
38 drain lines, which drain condensate collected in the header to the PJV HEME Drain Collection
39 Vessel (PJV-VSL-00002). This vessel is also provided with an overflow, which will flow to the
40 Ultimate Overflow Vessel (PWD-VSL-00033) in the pretreatment plant wash and disposal
41 system (PWD). The condensate from the PJV HEME Drain Collection Vessel

1 (PJV-VSL-00002) is periodically transferred by the drain transfer pumps to the Plant Wash
2 Vessel (PWD-VSL-00044) in the PWD system.

3
4 Demisters (PJV-DMST-00002A/B/C)

5 The PJV system is provided with three Demisters (PJV-DMST-00002A/B/C), which are
6 medium-efficiency mist eliminators. Two of these demisters are in service at a given time and
7 one is available as a standby off-line.

8
9 Demisters are used to remove fine aerosols and mist, and exhibit medium removal efficiencies
10 for submicron aerosols. They are passive devices with low maintenance requirements and high
11 reliability. The demisters will adequately protect the HEPA filters, located downstream in this
12 system, from excessive activity buildup, and provide the desired HEPA filter life of 4 to 5 years.

13
14 All Demisters (PJV-DMST-00002A/B/C) for this system are located, along with the HEPA
15 filters, in the filter cave (room P-0335) in a C5 ventilation area due to the expected radionuclide
16 loading. The Demisters (PJV-DMST-00002A/B/C) are isolated, or put into service, by opening
17 or closing isolation valves provided at the inlet and outlet of each Demister. These isolation
18 valves are operated remotely by using the manipulator and the filter cave operating crane. The
19 headers are designed without any bypass around the Demisters (PJV-DMST-00002A/B/C) to
20 prevent the downstream HEPAs from accelerated loading of particulates. Remote change out
21 capability for the Demister filter elements is provided.

22
23 The outlet gases from the Demisters (PJV-DMST-00002A/B/C) flow to the outlet header to the
24 extract part of the PJV system, as described below.

25
26 Hot Air In-Bleed

27 Air in-bleed from a C3 ventilation area is filtered, heated, and then mixed with the exhaust gases
28 from the Demister outlet for reducing the relative humidity of the stream flowing into the
29 primary HEPA Filter banks. The in-bleed air is filtered with medium efficiency Air In-Bleed
30 Filters (PJV-FLTH-00001A/B) and then heated to the temperature required to keep the humidity
31 of the mixed gases below 70 % and prevent the wetting of the HEPA Filters.

32
33 There are two Electric Heaters (PJV-HTR-00001A/B) arranged in parallel, one working and the
34 other as standby, to provide the required heating of in-bleed air. Hot air in-bleed flows from the
35 Electric Heaters to Air In-Bleed HEPA Filters (PJV-HEPA-00003A/B), one working and the
36 other as standby. These provide protection against backflow of the PJV exhausts stream into the
37 in-bleed system in the C3 ventilation area.

38
39 Primary Exhaust HEPA Filters (PJV-HEPA-00001A/B/C/D/E/F/G)

40 There are seven Primary HEPA Filter banks, arranged in parallel and configured in a running/
41 standby arrangement to allow on-line filter change. There will be five Primary HEPA Filters in
42 operation, and two Primary HEPA Filters will be on standby or in maintenance. The Primary
43 HEPA Filters will be remote change type located in the pretreatment filter cave area. Filter
44 inserts are radial type. Inlet and outlet isolation valves for the HEPA Filters are remotely
45 operated by a manipulator and maintenance crane in the pretreatment filter cave (room P-0335).

1
2 Secondary HEPA Filters (PJV-HEPA-00002A/B/C/D/E/F)

3 Exhaust gases from the Primary HEPA Filters are routed to the outlet header, then to the
4 Secondary HEPA Filters located in a C3 ventilation area. There are six Secondary HEPA Filter
5 banks, arranged in parallel and configured in a running/standby arrangement to allow on-line
6 filter change. There will be four Secondary HEPA Filters in operation, and two Secondary
7 HEPA Filter banks will be on standby or in maintenance. Secondary HEPA Filters will be the
8 safe change type.

9
10 PJV Exhaust Fans (PJV-FAN-00001A/B/C)

11 The filtered exhausts from the Secondary HEPA Filters will flow to three Exhaust Fans. Two
12 fans will be in operation while the third fan will be on standby. The Exhaust Fans provide the
13 necessary motive force to extract the vent gases from the fluidics discharge racks and provide for
14 the required pressure drop through the treatment equipment in the PJV system. The Exhaust
15 Fans (PJV-FAN-00001A/B/C) will maintain a constant suction pressure condition for the inlet
16 gas stream to the Demisters. The Exhaust Fans will have suitable speed control to accommodate
17 variation in the exhaust flow rates from reverse flow diverters and pulse jet mixers operating
18 inside various vessels.

19
20 In the event of failure of one of the two Exhaust Fans in operation, the standby fan automatically
21 starts. Each fan is provided with manual isolating dampers on the fan inlet and pneumatic
22 actuated isolating dampers on the fan outlet. From the PJV Exhaust Fans, pulse jet mixer and
23 reverse flow diverter treated effluents flow via a dedicated, continuously monitored flue to the
24 PTF stack.

25
26 In addition to the instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks addressed in section 4.1.2, the
27 following will be provided for the PJV system to indicate or prevent the following conditions:

- 28
- 29 • Flow rate for the combined exhaust gas entering the Demisters (PJV-DMST-00002A/B/C)
30 will be monitored. Suction pressure for the inlet gas will be maintained by varying the speed
31 for the Exhaust Fans (PJV-FAN-00001A/B/C)
 - 32 • Pressure drop for the Demisters (PJV-DMST-00002A/B/C) will be monitored
 - 33 • Each HEPA filter bank will be monitored and alarmed on high differential pressure
- 34

35 **4.1.2.19 Sodium Hydroxide Reagent System (SHR)**

36 Figure 4A-129 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the sodium hydroxide reagent
37 system (SHR). The Feed Line Flush Tank (SHR-TK-00009) of the SHR system is used to make
38 up solutions for flushing the coaxial waste transfer lines between PTF and the DST system.

39
40 The main components of the SHR tank system are:

- 41
- 42 • Feed Line Flush Tank (SHR-TK-00009)
 - 43 • Pump and associated piping for transfer

1
2 Sodium nitrite, sodium hydroxide, and process condensate are mixed together in the feed line
3 flush tank for a feed line flush solution. The waste feed return pump transfers the solution
4 through the line. A mechanical agitator provides mixing capabilities for the solution. The Feed
5 Line Flush Tank will be equipped with level instrumentation to indicate when to begin and end
6 transfers to the waste feed lines. The Feed Line Flush Tank is located in a C3/R3 area. Exhaust
7 from the Feed Line Flush Tank will pass through a HEPA filter for contamination control.
8

9 **4.1.2.20 Pretreatment Plant Ventilation**

10 Pretreatment plant ventilation includes the following systems:
11

- 12 • C1 ventilation system (C1V)
- 13 • C2 ventilation system (C2V)
- 14 • C3 ventilation system (C3V)
- 15 • C5 ventilation system (C5V)

16
17 The primary consideration in the design of the ventilation systems is to confine airborne sources
18 of contamination to protect human health and the environment from exposure to hazardous
19 materials during normal and abnormal operating conditions. Physical barriers or structures
20 supported by the ventilation systems will ensure air released to the environment and residual
21 contamination is well below acceptable, safe levels for public exposure.
22

23 The pretreatment plant will be divided into four numbered zones, listed below, with the higher
24 number indicating greater radiological hazard potential that needs greater control or restriction.
25 The ventilation system zoning is based on the classifications assigned to building areas for
26 potential contamination. Zones classified as C5 are potentially the most contaminated, such as
27 the pretreatment cells. Zones classified as C1 are uncontaminated areas.
28

29 The confinement provided by physical barriers is enhanced by the ventilation system, which
30 creates a pressure gradient and causes air to flow through engineered routes from an area of
31 lower contamination potential to an area of higher contamination potential. There will be no C4
32 areas in the pretreatment plant. The cascade system, in which air passes through more than one
33 area, will reduce the number of separate ventilation streams and, hence, the amount of air
34 requiring treatment.
35

36 C1 Ventilation System (C1V)

37 C1 areas are normally occupied. C1 areas will typically consist of administrative offices, control
38 rooms, conference rooms, locker rooms, rest rooms, and equipment rooms. C1 areas will be
39 operated slightly pressurized relative to atmosphere and other adjacent areas.
40

41 C2 Ventilation System (C2V)

42 C2 areas typically consist of nonprocess operating areas, access corridors, and control/
43 instrumentation, and electrical rooms. Filtered air will be supplied to these areas by the C2

1 supply system and will be cascaded into adjacent C3 areas or HEPA filtered and exhausted by
2 the C2 Exhaust system.

3 4 C3 Ventilation System (C3V)

5 C3 areas normally will be unoccupied, but operator access during maintenance will be allowed.
6 C3 areas typically will consist of filter plant rooms, workshops, maintenance areas, and
7 monitoring areas. Access from a C2 area to a C3 area will be via a C2/C3 subchange room. Air
8 will generally be drawn from C2 areas and cascaded through the C3 areas into C5 areas. In
9 general, air cascaded into the C3 areas will be from adjacent C2/C3 subchange rooms. In some
10 areas, where higher flow may be required into C3 areas, a dedicated C2 supply will be provided
11 with a backdraft damper on the C2 supply duct, which will be closed in the event of a loss of C3
12 extract. This system will shut down should there be a failure of the C5 exhaust system.

13 14 C5 Ventilation System (C5V)

15 The pretreatment plant C5 areas are designed with the cell or cave perimeter providing radiation
16 shielding as well as a confinement zone for ventilation purposes. C5 areas typically consist of a
17 series of process cells where waste will be stored and treated. The pretreatment plant hot cell
18 will house major pumps and valves and other process equipment. Air will be cascaded into the
19 C5 areas, generally from adjacent C3 areas, and extracted by the C5 extract system. The C5
20 exhaust system will be composed of Primary (PVP-HEPA-00001A/B/C) and Secondary
21 (PVP-HEPA-00002A/B/C) HEPA Filters and variable speed Exhaust Fans (PJV-FAN-00001A/
22 B/C). Fans designed to maintain continuous system operation will drive the airflow. This
23 system will also be interlocked with the C3 HVAC system, to prevent backflow by shutting
24 down the C3 system if the C5 HVAC system shuts down.

25 26 **4.1.3 LAW Vitrification**

27 The purpose of this section is to describe the major systems associated with the LAW
28 vitrification plant. Figure 4A-3 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the LAW
29 vitrification processes. This plant will consist of several process systems designed to perform
30 the following functions:

- 31
- 32 • Store pretreated LAW feed
- 33 • Convert blended LAW feed and glass formers into glass
- 34 • Provide melter offgas treatment systems
- 35 • Treat melter offgas
- 36 • Handle ILAW containers
- 37 • Store ILAW containers
- 38 • Provide supporting equipment in the melter cave
- 39 • Handle miscellaneous waste
- 40 • Ventilate the LAW vitrification plant
- 41

1 The following figures located in Appendix 4A and drawings found in DWP Attachment 51,
2 Appendix 9, provide additional detail for the LAW vitrification plant:

- 3
- 4 • Simplified flow diagrams for the WTP and the LAW vitrification plant
- 5 • Process flow figures and drawings for process information
- 6 • Typical system figures depicting common features for each regulated system
- 7 • General arrangement figures and drawings showing locations of regulated equipment
- 8 • Waste management area figures and drawings showing plant locations to be permitted
- 9

10 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the tank systems and
11 miscellaneous treatment sub-systems to indicate or prevent the following conditions, as
12 appropriate:

- 13
- 14 • **Overfilling:** Plant items are protected against overfilling by liquid level indication, high level
15 instrumentation interlocks to shut off feed sources, and process control system control
16 functions backed up by hard wired trips as required.
- 17
- 18 • **Loss of containment:** Plant items are protected against containment loss by liquid level
19 indication, and by process control system control and alarm functions as required, including
20 shut off of feed sources. Each plant item that manages liquid mixed or dangerous waste is
21 provided with secondary containment. Sumps associated with the management of mixed or
22 dangerous waste are provided with liquid level instrumentation and an ejector or pump to
23 empty the sump as needed.
- 24
- 25 • **Inadvertent transfers of fluids:** System sequential operations are properly interlocked to
26 prevent inadvertent transfers at the wrong time or to the wrong location.
- 27

28 In addition to level control, temperature and pressure may be monitored for tank systems and
29 miscellaneous treatment systems in some cases. Additional information may be found in the
30 system logic descriptions located in DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 9.13. Regulated process
31 and leak detection system instruments and parameters will be provided in DWP Table III.10.E.F
32 for tank systems and in DWP Table III.10.H.C for miscellaneous treatment sub-systems.

33
34 Descriptions of the LAW vitrification process, melter offgas treatment systems, and ILAW glass
35 container handling systems are provided in the following sections.

36 37 **4.1.3.1 LAW Melter Feed Process**

38 The LAW melter feed consists of the following systems:

- 39
- 40 • LAW concentrate receipt process system (LCP)
- 41 • LAW melter feed process system (LFP)

- 1 • Glass former reagent system (GFR) (the GFR system does not manage dangerous waste and
2 is provided for information only)

3
4 Figure 4A-20 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the LAW concentrate receipt process
5 system (LCP) and the LAW melter feed process system (LFP). The LCP and LFP systems
6 prepare feed for the LAW melters to produce a vitrified product. An analysis of the waste
7 determines a glass additive formulation for the conversion of the waste to glass. The glass
8 additives specified in the formulation are weighed and mixed with the waste. There are two
9 melter feed trains to supply the two LAW melters. Each melter feed train consists of a melter
10 concentrate receipt vessel, a melter feed preparation vessel, and a melter feed vessel. The LCP
11 system includes the melter concentrate receipt vessels. The LFP system includes the melter feed
12 preparation vessel and the melter feed vessel for each of the two melters.

13
14 The LCP tank system consists of the following vessels and their associated ancillary equipment:

- 15
16 • Melter Concentrate Receipt Vessels (LCP-VSL-00001/2)

17
18 The LFP tank system consists of the following tanks and their associated ancillary equipment:

- 19
20 • Melter Feed Preparation Vessels (LFP-VSL-00001/3)
21 • Melter Feed Vessels (LFP-VSL-00002/4)

22
23 Melter Concentrate Receipt Vessels (LCP-VSL-00001/2)

24 The Melter Concentrate Receipt Vessels receive melter feed concentrate from the pretreatment
25 plant. The Melter Feed Preparation Vessels are located in two process cells, and each process
26 cell contains a Melter Concentrate Receipt Vessel, a Melter Feed Preparation Vessel, and a
27 Melter Feed Vessel. The vessels are equipped with the following:

- 28
29 • Mechanical agitator
30 • Pumps to transfer LAW concentrate
31 • Instrumentation for liquid level
32 • Internal spray wash nozzles
33 • Overflow to C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00004)
34 • Spare nozzles

35
36 Valves are located in the valve bulge. Valving in each bulge allows the LAW concentrate to be
37 routed to the Melter Feed Preparation Vessels (LFP-VSL-00001/3), or to the Plant Wash Vessel
38 (RLD-VSL-00003) if the Melter Concentrate Receipt Vessels (LCP-VSL-00001/2) are being
39 cleaned out or if the contents of the vessels cannot be satisfactorily processed. In addition, LAW
40 concentrate can be pumped between the two Melter Concentrate Receipt Vessels
41 (LCP-VSL-00001/2).

1 Glass Former Reagent System (GFR)

2 The GFR system contains the glass former feed hoppers that receive blended glass formers and
3 sucrose by dense-phase pneumatic conveyors from the glass formers system.
4

5 The feed hoppers are equipped with filters to remove the dust from air used for pneumatic
6 conveying and blending. It is anticipated that a series of single filter cartridges will be mounted
7 on the top of the hoppers. The filters are cleaned by introducing compressed air through the
8 cleaning nozzle to blow accumulated dust back into the hoppers.
9

10 The feed hoppers are equipped with load cells to weigh the glass formers to confirm that the
11 material in the upstream blending silo is conveyed to the feed hoppers and to confirm that the
12 glass formers are transferred out of the feed hoppers to the Melter Feed Preparation Vessels
13 (LFP-VSL-00001/3).
14

15 The glass formers are gravity-fed with a rotary feeder into the Melter Feed Preparation Vessels
16 (LFP-VSL-00001/3), where the glass formers are mixed with the waste feed. This equipment is
17 located in an isolated area that serves as a contamination barrier between the melter feed
18 preparation vessels and the glass former supply. The rotary valve controls the rate of glass
19 former addition into the melter feed preparation vessels.
20

21 Melter Feed Preparation Vessels (LFP-VSL-00001/3)

22 The Melter Feed Preparation Vessels mix LAW concentrate from the Melter Concentrate Receipt
23 Vessels (LCP-VSL-00001/2) with glass formers and sucrose from the glass former feed hoppers.
24 The vessels are equipped with the following:
25

- 26 • Mechanical agitator
- 27 • Pumps
- 28 • Instrumentation for liquid level measurement
- 29 • Internal spray wash nozzles
- 30 • Overflow to the C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00004)
- 31 • Spare nozzles
32

33 The two pumps transfer waste using a valve bulge. Valves in the valve bulge allow melter feed
34 to be routed to the associated Melter Feed Vessel (LFP-VSL-00002/4) or to the Plant Wash
35 Vessel (RLD-VSL-00003). The vessel contents can be circulated through the pump and injected
36 back into the vessel in the recirculation mode. In addition, melter feed can be pumped between
37 the two Melter Feed Preparation Vessels (LFP-VSL-00002/4).
38

39 Melter Feed Vessels (LFP-VSL-00002/4)

40 The Melter Feed Vessels receive blended melter feed, consisting of LAW concentrate and glass
41 formers, from the Melter Feed Preparation Vessels (LFP-VSL-00001/3). The vessels are
42 equipped with the following:
43

- 1 • Mechanical agitator
- 2 • Air displacement supply (ADS) pumps to transfer feed to the corresponding LAW melter
- 3 • Feed vessel pump
- 4 • Instrumentation for liquid level measurement
- 5 • Miscellaneous solution addition line
- 6 • Internal spray wash nozzles
- 7 • Overflow to the C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00004)
- 8 • Spare nozzles

9
10 The feed vessel pump transfers waste feed through a valve bulge. Valving in the bulge allows
11 the waste feed to be pumped between all four vessels: the two Melter Feed Preparation Vessels
12 (LFP-VSL-00001/3) and the two Melter Feed Vessels (LFP-VSL-00002/4). Waste feed can also
13 be transferred from the Melter Feed Vessels to the Plant Wash Vessel (RLD-VSL-00003) for
14 vessel cleanout. Normally, ADS pumps transfer the melter feed from the melter feed vessel to
15 the melter.

16 17 **4.1.3.2 LAW Melter Process System (LMP)**

18 Figure 4A-21 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the LAW Melter process system
19 (LMP). The purpose of the LMP system is to convert a blended slurry of liquid LAW feed and
20 glass former additives into a durable ILAW product. The LAW melter system design is based
21 on operating two joule-heated ceramic melters in a C3 environment. Key components of LMP
22 include containment, joule heated melting, melter feed, and glass discharge.

23 24 LAW Melters (LMP-MLTR-00001/2)

25 The LAW Melters (Appendix 4A, Figure 4A-48) have a nameplate capacity of 15 metric tons of
26 glass per melter per day. The LAW Melter has a single internal glass chamber with a rectangular
27 surface area. The melter is powered by three sets of electrodes mounted on opposite walls of the
28 glass pool. The glass is discharged through either of two discharge chambers located within one
29 of the long axis walls of the melter. The lid of the melter is composed of a layer of refractory
30 backed by a corrosion-resistant metal plate and support structure. The lid also supports the
31 components that are submerged in the melt pool and suspended in the melter plenum. The
32 melter is encased in an integral shielding and secondary containment enclosure.

33
34 The refractory is part of the melter containment and can be described as two separate sections.
35 These sections are the refractory in contact with the molten glass pool and the refractory
36 surrounding the gas space above the glass pool, which is referred to as the plenum. The glass
37 pool refractory, used in conjunction with active cooling provided by a water jacket, will provide
38 glass containment, thermal insulation, and electrical isolation. The plenum refractory is
39 primarily designed to resist thermal breakdown, resist corrosion by offgases, and resist corrosion
40 by splashed feed and glass.

41

1 The melter shell consists of the lid and base plate as well as the structure needed to support the
2 lid and provides a gas barrier. The melter shell inner surface is designed to allow operation of
3 the melter at a negative pressure. This inner surface will also minimize the release of melter
4 gases and contaminants in the event of melter pressurization. A small air purge will be provided
5 for the annular space between the cooling panels and the shell to reduce the deposition of
6 materials. This purge will be driven by melter vacuum.

7
8 The LAW melter system has been designed to shield and contain the melter so that no additional
9 shielding or contamination control will be required for normal operations. This has been
10 accomplished by enclosing the melter assembly in a steel box. Shielding is provided by the
11 entire enclosure. Access panels are provided through the external shielding. When removed,
12 these panels will allow access to the jack-bolts, electrodes, electrode thermocouples, viewing
13 cameras, and so forth.

14
15 The heat for the LAW melter startup is provided by temporarily installed radiant electric heaters
16 mounted on the roof of the melter. These heaters melt glass formers sufficiently to make it
17 ionically conductive between the melter's joule heating electrodes. When a conducting path is
18 established, the melter is heated in a controlled manner by passing more and more current
19 between the electrodes through the glass (a process known as *joule heating*). After some time,
20 the melter reaches its operating temperature and slurry feeding can start. As water evaporates,
21 the feed forms a "cold cap" on the surface of the melt. As more slurry is fed, molten glass is
22 formed by vitrification of the cold cap materials into the glass melt. When the melt level rises to
23 a predetermined level, it is discharged into a container.

24
25 The melter plenum is maintained at a controlled vacuum with offgas system fans and injection of
26 air into the offgas line near the melter exhaust. This assures containment and avoids
27 pressurization.

28 29 Joule Heating

30 The joule heating system contains the melter electrodes, melter electrode power supplies, melter
31 glass pool thermocouples, and the melter electrode control system.

32
33 The electrode configuration for each LAW Melter will consist of three pairs of plate electrodes
34 mounted parallel to each other on the long axis of the melter. The electrodes will have forced-air
35 cooled electrode extensions. The extensions will penetrate the side of the melter below the glass
36 level to minimize the effects of thermal expansion and to minimize the potential for corrosion by
37 sulfate. Active cooling of the extensions and the use of a water-cooling jacket will prevent glass
38 from migrating through the refractory package adjacent to the electrode extension penetrations.
39 Power to the electrodes will be single-phase alternating current applied across opposing
40 electrodes. The nominal glass melt pool temperature is approximately 1,150 °C. This is
41 measured with thermocouples in thermowells submerged into the pool at various locations. The
42 power to the electrodes is regulated to maintain the temperature within a selected range.

1 Melter Feed System

2 Feed will be introduced to the melter as a slurry through nozzles in the melter lid. Water and
3 volatile constituents in the slurry will evaporate, leaving behind a layer of material known as the
4 cold cap. Waste feed components in the cold cap will undergo chemical reactions, be converted
5 to their respective oxides, and dissolve in the molten glass. The rate of feed addition to the
6 melter determines the cold cap coverage on the glass melt pool. The feed rate can be controlled
7 based on the average plenum temperature measured by plenum thermocouples mounted in the
8 melter lid. New slurry will be added at about the same rate as the cold cap dissolves,
9 maintaining the quantity of cold cap material at a steady level. Air injectors will be used to mix
10 and agitate the molten glass. When the melt level rises to a predetermined upper limit, an air lift
11 mechanism is actuated and glass is discharged to a container.

12
13 Glass Discharge System

14 Melter glass pool level measurement will be used to indicate when to start and stop glass
15 discharge. It also provides alarms for high or low glass pool levels. Each LAW Melter has two
16 identical and independently operated glass discharge systems located adjacent to each other on
17 one side of the melter. Each of these systems includes an airlift riser, a glass pour trough, a
18 heated discharge chamber, and other components and instruments needed to control the
19 discharge of glass. When the canister is required for filling, it is taken out of the buffer rack in
20 the Canister Handling Cave and transferred into the Pour Tunnel bogie. The bogie travels to a
21 position under the pour spout. As the bogie moves into position under the pour spout, the pour
22 spout glass catch tray is pushed back and signals that a canister is present. A proximity switch
23 detects that the bogie is in position, the bogie is then locked into position, and the canister is
24 filled with glass.

25
26 The glass discharge from the melter is initiated by injecting air or an inert gas at the bottom of
27 the airlift riser. As the gas bubbles rise in the glass they will entrain glass in the riser, which is
28 replaced by glass flowing in from the pool through the riser throat. The glass is lifted to the inlet
29 of the trough, where the air bubbles disengage and the entrained glass flows into the trough. The
30 glass then flows down the trough due to gravity and falls from the pour tip at the end of the
31 trough into the container. The rate of glass discharge is controlled by adjusting the rate at which
32 air is injected into the bottom of the riser.

33
34 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the LMP to indicate or
35 prevent the following conditions:

- 36
37
- 38 • Decrease or loss of melter plenum vacuum
 - 39 • Glass temperature too high
 - 40 • Electrode extension temperature too high
 - 41 • Loss of melter cooling water
 - 42 • Plugged feed nozzle
 - 43 • Overfilling of glass container

1 **4.1.3.3 LAW Melter Offgas System**

2 The LAW melter offgas system consists of the following process systems:

- 3
4 • LAW primary offgas process system (LOP)
5 • LAW secondary offgas/vessel vent process system (LVP)

6
7 Figure 4A-22 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the LAW primary offgas process
8 system (LOP). The LOP is composed of tanks and miscellaneous treatment sub-systems and
9 consists of the following:

10
11 Tanks

- 12 • Melter SBS Condensate Vessels (LOP-VSL-00001/2)
13 • Pumps
14 • Eductor (LOP-EDUC-00001)

15
16 Miscellaneous Treatment Sub-Systems

- 17 • Primary and Secondary Film Coolers (LOP-FCLR-00001/2/3/4), one set for each melter
18 • Melter 1 and Melter 2 Submerged Bed Scrubbers (LOP-SCB-00001/2)
19 • Melter 1 and Melter 2 Wet Electrostatic Precipitators (WESP)(LOP-WESP-00001/2)

20
21 Figure 4A-23 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the LAW secondary offgas/vessel
22 vent process system (LVP). The LVP is composed of tanks and miscellaneous treatment
23 sub-systems and consists of the following:

24
25 Tanks

- 26 • LAW Caustic Collection Tank (LVP-TK-00001)

27
28 Miscellaneous Treatment Sub-Systems

- 29 • Caustic Scrubber (LVP-SCB-00001)
30 • Electric Heaters (LVP-HTR-00001A/1B/2/3A/3B)
31 • Selective Catalytic Oxidizer (LVP-SCO-00001)
32 • Selective Catalytic Reduction Units (LVP-SCR-00001/2)
33 • Heat Exchanger (LVP-HX-00001)
34 • Adsorber (LVP-ADBR-00001)
35 • HEPA Filters (LVP-HEPA-00001A/1B//2/3A/3B)
36 • Melter Offgas Exhausters (LVP-EXHR-00001A/B/C)
37 • LAW stack

1 Melter offgas is generated from the vitrification of LAW feed in the two joule-heated ceramic
2 melters. The rate of generation of gases in the melter is dynamic. The melters generate offgas
3 resulting from decomposition, oxidation, and vaporization of feed material. Constituents of the
4 offgas include:

- 5
- 6 • Nitrogen oxides from decomposition of metal nitrates in the melter feed
- 7 • Chloride, fluoride, and sulfur as oxides, acid gases, and salts
- 8 • Particulates and aerosols
- 9 • Entrained feed material and glass

10
11 In addition, the LAW Melters generate small quantities of other volatile compounds including
12 iodine-129, carbon-14, tritium, and volatile organic compounds. Carbon-14 and tritium are in
13 the form of carbon dioxide and water, respectively.

14
15 The purpose of the LAW Melter offgas system is to cool and treat the melter offgas and vessel
16 ventilation offgas to a level that is protective of human health and the environment. The offgas
17 system must also provide a pressure confinement boundary that will control melter pressure and
18 prevent vapor release to the cell. The design of the melter offgas system must accommodate
19 changes in offgas flow from individual melters without causing the melter to pressurize and
20 without allowing variations in the flow from one melter to impact the other melter.

21
22 Separate systems are provided for the initial decontamination of offgas from each melter. This is
23 considered the primary offgas treatment system. This primary offgas system is designed to
24 handle intermittent surges of seven times steam and three times noncondensables nominal flow
25 from feed. The primary system consists of a Film Coolers (LOP-FCLR-00001/3), Submerged
26 Bed Scrubbers (LOP-SCB-00001/2), and a Melter Wet Electrostatic Precipitator
27 (LOP-WESP-00001/2). This system cools the offgas and removes particulates.

28
29 There is a second offgas line from the Melter to the Submerged Bed Scrubbers
30 (LOP-SCB-00001/2) consisting of a Standby Film Cooler (LOP-FCLR-00002/4) and a butterfly
31 valve as the isolation device. The melter is operated under negative pressure. In the event that
32 the primary offgas line plugs or the melter surges beyond design basis, the butterfly valve opens
33 allowing offgas flow to the submerged bed scrubber through the second offgas line, thereby
34 preventing melter pressurization. The line is designed to handle surges up to seven times
35 condensable and three times noncondensable from feed without causing melter pressurization.
36 In the event that the melter surge is much higher than the system is designed to handle, a
37 pressure relief valve opens venting the offgas to the wet process cell. Offgas from the wet
38 process cell is drawn through HEPA Filters to remove particulates before discharged to the
39 atmosphere. Once the melter pressure returns to the desired set point, the valve closes.

40
41 The vessel ventilation system offgas consists primarily of air, water vapor, and minor amounts of
42 aerosols generated by the agitation or movement of vessel contents. The vessel ventilation
43 system header joins the primary offgas system after the Wet Electrostatic Precipitators (LOP-
44 WESP-00001/2), and the combined offgas is routed to the secondary offgas treatment system.

1
2 The secondary offgas system (from HEPA preheater to final discharge) is designed to handle
3 maximum sustained flowrate from the two melter assuming both melter are operating. The
4 system is also capable of operating effectively if only one melter is running. The secondary
5 offgas system consists of HEPA Filters (LVP-HEPA-00001A/1B/2A/2B) with Electric Heater
6 (LVP-HTR-00001A/1B/3A/3B), Exhauster Fans (LVP-EXHR-00001A/B/C), mercury Adsorbers
7 (LVP-ADBR-00001/2), a Selective Catalytic Oxidizer (LVP-SCO-00001)/Selective Catalytic
8 Reduction Units (LVP-SCR-00001/2) which houses the heat recovery unit (plate Heat
9 Exchanger) (LVP-HX-00001), Electric Heater (LVP-HTR-00002), the catalyst for volatile
10 organic compound oxidation and the catalyst for nitrogen oxides reduction, and a Caustic
11 Scrubber (LVP-SCB-00001). The following sections provide descriptions of major melter offgas
12 treatment components.
13

14 4.1.3.3.1 LAW Primary Offgas Process System (LOP)

15 Figure 4A-22 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the LAW primary offgas process
16 system (LOP). The purpose of the LOP tank system and miscellaneous treatment sub-systems is
17 to cool the offgas and remove aerosols generated by the melter. The primary components consist
18 of a film cooler, submerged bed scrubber, and a wet electrostatic precipitator.
19

20 Film Cooler (LOP-FCLR-00001/2/3/4)

21 The primary function of the Film Cooler miscellaneous unit sub-system is to cool the offgas and
22 entrained molten glass droplets below the glass sticking temperature to minimize glass
23 deposition on the offgas piping walls. The offgas exits the melter and is mixed with steam or
24 steam/air mixture in the offgas Film Cooler. The Film Cooler is a double-walled pipe designed
25 to introduce air/steam axially along the walls of the offgas pipe through a series of holes or slots
26 in the inner wall. Each melter has a primary and secondary Film Cooler.
27

28 Submerged Bed Scrubber (LOP-SCB-00001/2)

29 Each LAW Melter has a dedicated Submerged Bed Scrubber miscellaneous treatment
30 sub-system. After each Film Cooler (LOP-FCLR-00001/3), the offgas enters the Submerged
31 Bed Scrubber column for further cooling and solids removal. The Submerged Bed Scrubber is a
32 passive device designed for aqueous scrubbing of entrained particulates from melter offgas,
33 cooling and condensation of melter vapor emissions, and interim storage of condensed fluids. It
34 will also quench the offgas to a desired discharge temperature through the use of coiling coils/
35 jacket. The offgas leaves the Submerged Bed Scrubber in approximate thermal equilibrium with
36 the scrubbing solution.
37

38 The Submerged Bed Scrubbers (LOP-SCB-00001/2) have two offgas inlets, one for the normal
39 operations line and one for the standby line. Secondary Film Coolers (LOP-FCLR-00002/4) can
40 be routed to either Submerged Bed Scrubber. The offgas enters the Submerged Bed Scrubber
41 through the appropriate inlet pipe that runs down through the center of the bed to the packing
42 support plate. The bed-retaining walls extend below the support plate creating a lower skirt to
43 allow the formation of a gas bubble underneath the packing. The entire bed is suspended off the
44 floor of the Submerged Bed Scrubber to allow the scrubbing solution to circulate freely through

1 the bed. After formation of the gas bubble beneath the packing, the injected offgas then bubbles
2 up through the packed bed. The rising gas bubbles also cause the scrubbing liquid to circulate up
3 through the packed bed, resulting in a general recirculation of the scrubbing solution. The
4 packing breaks larger bubbles into smaller ones to increase the gas to water contacting surface,
5 thereby increasing particulate removal and heat transfer efficiencies. The warmed scrubbing
6 solution then flows downward outside of the packed bed through cooling coils/jacket.

7
8 To maintain a constant liquid level within the Submerged Bed Scrubbers (LOP-SCB-00001/2), it
9 will be equipped with an overflow line that allows for the continuous discharge of offgas
10 condensate and some scrubbed particulates to the Melter SBS Condensate Vessels
11 (LOP-VSL-00001/2) located next to the Submerged Bed Scrubber. The Melter SBS Condensate
12 Vessels are equipped with a cooling jacket. The rate of condensate discharge is determined by
13 how much the offgas temperature is lowered below its dew point. The condensate and some
14 collected particulates overflow into the Melter SBS Condensate Vessels. To minimize the
15 buildup of the solids in the bottom of the Submerged Bed Scrubber, condensate from the Melter
16 SBS Condensate Vessels (LOP-VSL-00001/2) will be re-circulated back to the Submerged Bed
17 Scrubber and injected through multiple lances to agitate and suspend solids on the submerged
18 bed scrubber floor. The collected solids will then be pumped directly off the Submerged Bed
19 Scrubber vessel floor to the Melter SBS Condensate Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00005). This
20 purging and recycling process occurs simultaneously. Submerged Bed Scrubber condensate
21 from the SBS Condensate Collection Vessels (LOP-VSL-00001/2) ultimately flows to the TLP
22 system. Venting of the Melter SBS Condensate Vessels is via the Submerged Bed Scrubber into
23 the main offgas discharge pipe.

24
25 The scrubbed offgas discharges through the top of the Submerged Bed Scrubbers
26 (LOP-SCB-00001/2) and is routed to the Melter Wet Electrostatic Precipitators (one per melter)
27 (LOP-WESP-00001/2) for further particulate removal.

28
29 In addition to the instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks addressed in section 4.1.3, the
30 following will be provided for the Submerged Bed Scrubber to indicate or prevent the following
31 conditions:

- 32
33 • High scrubber liquid temperature
34 • Low scrubber liquid level
35 • High condensate vessel liquid level
36 • Loss of chilled water supply
37 • Extremely high-pressure differential across the unit

38
39 Melter Wet Electrostatic Precipitators (LOP-WESP-00001/2)

40 The Submerged Bed Scrubber (LOP-SCB-00001/2) discharge is routed to the Melter Wet
41 Electrostatic Precipitator miscellaneous treatment sub-system for removal of aerosols down to
42 and including submicron size. Each melter system has a dedicated Melter Wet Electrostatic
43 Precipitator (LOP-WESP-00001/2). The offgas enters the unit and passes through a distribution

1 plate. The evenly distributed saturated gas then flows up through tubes which act as positive the
2 electrodes. Each of the tubes has a single negatively charged electrode, which runs down the
3 center of the tube. A high voltage, direct current transformer supplies power to the electrodes. A
4 strong electric field is generated along the electrodes giving a negative charge to the aerosols
5 passing through the tubes. The negatively charged particles move towards the positively charged
6 tube walls for collection. Collected particles are then washed from the tube walls along with
7 collected mists. The final condensate is collected in the Melter Wet Electrostatic Precipitators'
8 (LOP-WESP-00001/2) dished bottom area. A water spray may be used periodically to facilitate
9 washing collected aerosols from the tubes. The tube drain and wash solution are routed to the
10 C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00004).

11
12 In addition to the instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks addressed in section 4.1.3, the
13 following will be provided for the Melter Wet Electrostatic Precipitators to indicate or prevent
14 the following conditions:

- 15
- 16 • Loss of electrical power to the unit
- 17 • High differential pressure across the unit
- 18 • Accumulation of liquid
- 19 • Loss of process water supply
- 20

21 Standby Offgas Line

22 The standby line consists of an offgas pipe from the melter to a Submerged Bed Scrubber
23 (LOP-SCB-00001/2), a Secondary Film Cooler (LOP-FCLR-00002/4), and a butterfly valve as
24 the isolation device. During a melter surge or potential offgas pipe becoming plugged, this valve
25 will open rapidly, providing an alternative path for the melter offgas to flow to the Submerged
26 Bed Scrubbers (LOP-SCB-00001/2). With this alternative routing, pressure control on the melter
27 plenum can be maintained. This standby offgas pipe will extend to the bottom of the Submerged
28 Bed Scrubber packed bed, identical to the main offgas line. It is the same size as the main offgas
29 line, thus providing a doubling of flow cross-section for melter-generated gases.

30
31 The LAW Melters are also equipped with a maintenance bypass line allowing offgases from one
32 melter to be routed to the other's Submerged Bed Scrubber for cooling. The gas will be
33 processed through both a primary and secondary offgas treatment system in the same manner as
34 the normal path. The purpose of this line is to provide melter ventilation during idling conditions
35 in the unlikely event that a Submerged Bed Scrubber (LOP-SCB-00001/2) or Melter Wet
36 Electrostatic Precipitator (LOP-WESP-00001/2) requires maintenance. Prior to initiating use of
37 the maintenance bypass line, waste feed would be secured, and the melters placed into an idle
38 condition. No waste feed would be fed to the melters when the maintenance bypass line is in
39 use.

40
41 Idling emissions from the melter are mainly heated air at a lower gas volume than expected
42 during slurry feeding. The gas will be processed through secondary offgas treatment system that
43 includes HEPA filtration, thermal catalytic oxidation, and selective catalytic reduction.
44

1 **4.1.3.3.2 LAW Secondary Offgas/Vessel Vent Process System (LVP)**

2 Figure 4A-23 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the LAW secondary offgas/vessel
3 vent process system (LVP). The offgas system prevents migration of waste contaminants into
4 the process cells and potentially operating areas. It does this by maintaining the various LAW
5 process vessels under a slight vacuum relative to the cell. The composition of the ventilation air
6 is expected to be primarily air with slight mixed waste particulate contamination.

7
8 The vessel ventilation air is combined with the melter offgas prior to entering the secondary
9 offgas system HEPA filter electric preheaters. The combined air streams are treated together in
10 the remaining sections of the secondary offgas treatment systems. A pressure control valve is
11 used to regulate the pressure between the vessel ventilation offgas system and the melter offgas
12 system.

13
14 The melter offgas stream that is treated through the primary offgas system is combined with the
15 vessel ventilation offgas stream and treated through the LVP tanks and miscellaneous treatment
16 sub-systems. The secondary offgas system removes the remaining particulate, mercury and
17 miscellaneous acid gases, gaseous nitrogen oxide compounds, carbon monoxide, and volatile
18 organic compounds.

19
20 Descriptions of the tanks and miscellaneous treatment sub-systems comprising the LVP are
21 provided below:

22
23 HEPA Filters, Electric Preheaters, and Exhausters

24 The purpose of these HEPA Filters miscellaneous treatment sub-system (LVP-HEPA-00001A/
25 1B/2A/2B) is to provide a final protection against dispersion of particulate. This helps protect
26 the downstream equipment from particulate contamination. The combined offgas stream is first
27 passed through the LAW melter offgas HEPA Electric Heaters (LVP-HTR-
28 00001A/1B/2/3A/3B). Preheating increases the gas temperature above its dew point to avoid
29 condensation in the melter offgas HEPA Filters. The offgas then passes through radial flow
30 HEPA Filters. The system is composed of two parallel trains of two filter banks each in series.
31 The offgas passes through one train while the other remains available as an installed backup.
32 Motive force for the ventilation is provided by the Melter Offgas Exhausters
33 (LVP-EXHR-00001A/B/C).

34
35 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the LVP system to indicate
36 or prevent the following conditions:

- 37
38 • High or low differential pressure across a HEPA filter signaling to switch to the redundant
39 unit
40 • Loss of electric heater element
41

1 Additional information to the instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks for the LVP
2 system addressed in section 4.1.3 are described in the *LAW Vitrification Offgas Bypass Analysis*,
3 24590-LAW-PER-PR-03-001.

4
5 Activated Carbon Adsorber (LVP-ADBR-0001/2)

6 The Activated Carbon Adsorbers (LVP-ADBR-00001/2) miscellaneous treatment sub-system
7 removes volatile mercury, iodine, and acid gases from the offgas. The offgas flows through two
8 internal activated carbon beds normally operated in series. When gaseous mercury is detected
9 breaking through the leading activated carbon bed, indicating that the carbon is loaded, the
10 offgas flow is manually changed to make the trailing bed the leading bed. Only one activated
11 carbon bed is used while the loaded activated carbon is removed and replaced. The flow is then
12 changed to make the fresh activated carbon bed the trailing bed.

13
14 The activated carbon is batch loaded into the adsorber by gravity. The loaded activated carbon is
15 batch removed by gravity and transferred by conveyor for collection in containers. A water fire
16 suppression system may be included as a precaution against activated carbon fires, if required.

17
18 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the Activated Carbon
19 Adsorbers (LVP-ADBR-00001/2) to indicate or prevent the following conditions:

- 20
21 • Mercury breakthrough in the leading carbon adsorber signaling to switch to the trailing
22 carbon adsorber
23 • High inlet/outlet carbon monoxide concentration difference activates a water deluge fire
24 suppression system. The offgas inlet isolation damper is automatically closed and offgas
25 flow is automatically diverted to the other carbon bed or to the bypass

26
27 Selective Catalytic Oxidizer (LVP-SCO-00001) and Selective Catalytic Reduction Units
28 (LVP-SCR-00001/2)

29 A catalyst skid-mounted unit with a combined Selective Catalytic Oxidizer (LVP-SCO-00001)
30 and Selective Catalytic Reduction Units (LVP-SCR-00001/2) miscellaneous treatment
31 sub-systems will be used to remove volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, and nitrogen
32 oxides from the offgas stream.

33
34 The offgas is first treated in the Selective Catalytic Oxidizer (LVP-SCO-00001) where organic
35 compounds and carbon monoxide are oxidized to carbon dioxide and water vapor. These
36 reactions are exothermic. The Selective Catalytic Oxidizer (LVP-SCO-00001) operates at a
37 temperature low enough to prevent the formation of additional nitrogen oxides.

38
39 After the (LVP-SCO-00001), the offgas is heated through a plate heat exchanger and an electric
40 heater to bring the offgas up to the operational temperature of the Selective Catalytic Reduction
41 Units (LVP-SCR-00001/2).

42
43 The heated offgas enters the Selective Catalytic Reduction Units (LVP-SCR-00001/2), where
44 ammonia is injected through an atomized spray and allowed to mix with the offgas. The

1 nitrogen oxides are reduced by the ammonia to nitrogen gas and water. Two sets of Selective
2 Catalytic Reduction Units (LVP-SCR-00001/2) are arranged in series. The offgas is treated
3 through the first of the Selective Catalytic Reduction Unit (LVP-SCR-00001). After the first
4 Selective Catalytic Reduction Unit, more ammonia is injected into the offgas to allow further
5 conversion in the second Selective Catalytic Reduction Unit (LVP-SCR-00002). The reduction
6 reaction is also exothermic, significantly increasing the offgas temperature. The hot offgas is the
7 heating media for the heat exchanger, discussed above, cooling the offgas. The cooled offgas
8 stream is then directed to the Caustic Scrubber for acid gas removal and final cooling.

9
10 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the Selective Catalytic
11 Oxidizer / Selective Catalytic Reduction Units to indicate or prevent the following conditions:

- 12
- 13 • High differential pressure across each catalyst bed
- 14 • Loss of ammonia gas supply to the nitrogen oxides selective catalytic reduction unit
- 15 • Failure of the electric heater
- 16 • Ammonia analyzer to indicate ammonia slip in the outlet.
- 17 • Low offgas temperature entering the unit
- 18 • High temperature differential across the unit
- 19 • High nitrogen oxide concentration in the unit outlet stream
- 20 • High volatile organic compound concentration in the unit outlet stream

21
22 Caustic Scrubber (LVP-SCB-00001)

23 The LAW Melter's offgas Caustic Scrubber miscellaneous treatment sub-system further treats
24 the offgas by removing iodine and acid gases and providing final offgas cooling. The offgas
25 stream enters the bottom of the scrubber and flows upward through a packed bed. Contaminants
26 in the offgas stream are absorbed into the liquid stream through interaction of the gas, liquid, and
27 packing media. To neutralize the collected acid gases, a sodium hydroxide solution is added
28 periodically to the LAW Caustic Collection Tank (LVP-TK-00001). The clean offgas is then
29 discharged through an internal mist eliminator to prevent droplet carryover. The scrubbing
30 liquid flows downward through the packing bed and drains into the LAW Caustic Collection
31 Tank (LVP-TK-00001). This tank is periodically purged to the pretreatment plant. After passing
32 through the Caustic Scrubber (LVP-SCB-00001), the offgas is released to the environment via a
33 flue in the plant stack.

34
35 In addition to the instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks addressed in section 4.1.3, the
36 following will be provided for the Caustic Scrubber to indicate or prevent the following
37 conditions:

- 38
- 39 • Loss of recirculation pump
- 40 • Loss of caustic supply
- 41 • Loss of process water supply
- 42 • High differential pressure across the column

- 1 • Low scrubbing liquid level
- 2 • High scrubbing liquid level
- 3 • Loss of transfer pump
- 4 • Low pH
- 5 • High specific gravity (density)

6 7 **4.1.3.4 Radioactive and Nonradioactive Liquid Waste Disposal Systems (RLD and NLD)**

8 DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 9.1 contains a process flow diagram of the radioactive and
9 nonradioactive liquid waste disposal system (RLD and NLD) (24590-LAW-M5-V17T-P0014).
10 The RLD receives LAW vitrification process effluents for storage and transfer.

11
12 The RLD tank system consists of three main vessels:

- 13
- 14 • Plant Wash Vessel (RLD-VSL-00003)
- 15 • C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00004)
- 16 • SBS Condensate Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00005)

17
18 The SBS Condensate Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00005) and the Plant Wash Vessel
19 (RLD-VSL-00003) are located in the LAW effluent cell. The C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection
20 Vessel (RLD-VSL-00004) is located below grade to provide fire protection water collection and
21 to collect effluents from the wet electrostatic precipitator, a gravity floor drain system, and a
22 pumped sump system.

23
24 Sources of effluents into the RLD system are production and nonproduction-related activities.
25 Production effluents are mixed waste liquids or slurries routinely or periodically generated by the
26 waste treatment process. These effluents are routed directly or indirectly to the SBS Condensate
27 Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00005). Liquid effluent from nonproduction activities, such as
28 vessel, equipment and cell/cave washes, and sump discharges, are routed to one of the three
29 vessels, depending on the nature of the effluent. Dangerous or mixed waste is routed to either
30 the Plant Wash Vessel (RLD-VSL-00003) or the C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel
31 (RLD-VSL-00004). Liquid that is nondangerous/nonradioactive is routed to the C1/C2 Floor
32 Drain/Sump Collection Tank in the NLD system.

33
34 The functional purpose of the RLD system is to receive effluents for interim storage and to
35 transfer the effluent to the pretreatment plant. In addition, mixing and sampling of the effluent
36 may be performed in this system as required.

37 38 Plant Wash Vessel (RLD-VSL-00003)

39 This vessel is designed to receive the total volume of either the largest vessel in the LAW
40 vitrification plant or the largest volume from the vessel/equipment wash or drain in the LAW
41 vitrification plant. The largest volume is from the SBS Condensate Collection Vessel
42 (RLD-VSL-00005). Effluent sources for the Plant Wash Vessel (RLD-VSL-00003) are vessel

1 washes and the overflow from the SBS Condensate Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00005). The
2 vessel is fitted with level instrumentation. The vessel is vented into a common vessel ventilation
3 header that drains into the C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00004). During
4 normal operation, the effluent characterized in the Plant Wash Vessel (RLD-VSL-00003) is
5 expected to be transferred to the pretreatment plant.
6

7 C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00004)

8 This vessel is designed to contain the maximum amount of fire protection water and the volume
9 equivalent to the largest C3/C5 floor area wash. The C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel
10 (RLD-VSL-00004) routinely collects liquid drained from the Melter Wet Electrostatic
11 Precipitators (LOP-WESP-00001/2). The overflow from the Melter Concentrate Receipt Vessels
12 (LCP-VSL-00001/2) is also routed to the C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel.
13

14 The C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00004) is fitted with level
15 instrumentation. The C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel is vented into a common vessel
16 ventilation header. Condensate that forms in the header drains into the C3/C5 Drains/Sump
17 Collection Vessel. Sampling capability is provided using a sampling leg off the pump
18 recirculation line to an autosampler unit. Routine process-related effluent from Wet Electrostatic
19 Precipitator drains will be pumped from this vessel to the SBS Condensate Collection Vessel, as
20 necessary. Effluent generated from other sources will be pumped to the Plant Wash Vessel
21 (RLD-VSL-00003) until it reaches a predetermined level to maintain adequate capacity for fire
22 protection water. The C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel is located in an enclosed C3/C5
23 cell area. The C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel overflows to a sump in the same cell.
24 During normal operation, the effluent characterized in the C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel
25 is expected to be transferred to the TLP system via the SBS Condensate Collection Vessel
26 (RLD-VSL-00005).
27

28 SBS Condensate Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00005)

29 This vessel is designed to store SBS column purge effluent. The SBS Condensate Collection
30 Vessel (RLD-VSL-00005) routinely receives effluent from the Submerged Bed Scrubber
31 (LOP-SCB-00001/2) and the C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00004).
32

33 The SBS Condensate Collection Vessel is fitted with level instrumentation and is vented into a
34 common vessel ventilation header that drains into the C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel
35 (RLD-VSL-00004). Sampling capability is provided using a sampling leg off the pump
36 recirculation line to an autosampler unit. The SBS Condensate Collection Vessel overflows to
37 the Plant Wash Vessel (RLD-VSL-00003). During normal operation, the effluent characterized
38 in the SBS Condensate Collection Vessel is expected to be transferred to the TLP system.
39

40 **4.1.3.5 Radioactive Solid Waste Handling System (RWH)**

41 The primary functions of this system will be to provide equipment for the change out of LAW
42 process vessels and other miscellaneous mixed wastes. This system provides the equipment to
43 move waste out of the building.
44

1 The vessels are designed for 40 years of service. However, in the event of a failure, the process
2 vessel will be prepared for export by rinsing, disconnection of the process lines, and
3 decontamination. The vessel will be lifted out of the process cell and covered to prevent a spread
4 of contamination. The vessel will be placed in an approved package staged for vessel receipt.
5 Once closed and secured, the package, containing the vessel, will be delivered to an appropriate
6 TSD facility. A similar process in reverse will be used for the introduction and installation of
7 new LAW process vessels.

8
9 It is anticipated that LAW Melters will require replacement at some point. When the end of a
10 melter's operational life is reached, residual molten glass will be removed as immobilized
11 product, as much as is practical. The LAW Melter will be allowed to cool and then will be
12 disconnected. The steel box in which the melter is enclosed will be sealed, decontaminated if
13 required, and transported to an appropriate TSD facility.

14
15 Disposal of miscellaneous mixed waste streams created during operation will be done by
16 packaging at the point of generation. Localized collection points and disposal routes will be
17 established at logical and optimal locations to accommodate maintenance and operations. Waste
18 containers will be transferred to a staging area where packages will be weighed, labeled, and
19 decontaminated for nonfixed contamination, if needed, prior to export. The packaged waste
20 forms will then be stored at the WTP until final disposition.

21 22 **4.1.3.6 ILAW Glass Container Handling**

23 The ILAW glass container handling activities will consist of the following systems:

- 24
- 25 • LAW container receipt handling system (LRH)
- 26 • LAW container pour handling system (LPH)
- 27 • LAW container finishing handling system (LFH)
- 28 • LAW container export handling system (LEH)
- 29

30 The individual systems and their primary functions are described below:

31 32 LAW Container Receipt Handling System (LRH)

33 The LRH system takes delivery of new ILAW containers and provides a means to transfer these
34 empty containers to the LPH transfer bogie (wheeled cart for container transfer).

35 36 Container Receipt

37 After removal of the shipping overwrap and initial receiving inspection, the containers are placed
38 on a conveyor system and transferred into the plant as needed. New containers are then logged
39 into the tracking system.

40 41 Container Import

42 Prior to the need for additional containers, a final inspection and transfer takes place in the
43 container import bay. Each new container is moved to a container inspection stand. This allows

1 an operator to assess the upper head/lifting flange area, including the "fill" opening, and to
2 observe the inside of the container with a light.

3
4 The rest of the container is inspected as required, then the container is placed on the import line
5 1 or 2 staging conveyer, and the tracking log is updated. If the container inspection fails, it is
6 logged and tagged appropriately and set aside.

7
8 Each time a container is placed on the conveyor, an operator initiates a conveyor transfer. The
9 transfer serves to index containers on the staging conveyor forward so there is always a container
10 in the "pickup" position on the airlock conveyor.

11
12 Container import instrumentation, alarms, controls, and/or interlocks will be provided as follows:

- 13
- 14 • The hatches are interlocked with the hoist and bogies so the hatch cannot be opened unless a
15 process crane is positioned above the hatch. Conversely, the process cranes cannot leave
16 hatch positions unless the hatch is closed and locked.
 - 17 • The hatches are interlocked with the bogies so that the hatches can not open unless a bogie is
18 positioned below the hatch. The interlock prevents the bogie from leaving the hatch position
19 unless the hatch is closed.

20
21 LAW Container Pour Handling System (LPH)

22 Each of the LAW melters has two glass discharges that operate independently. Each melter
23 discharge chamber is aligned with a glass pour cave under the melter cell with associated
24 features for filling a container with glass. Containers can be filled using one pour cave, using
25 alternating caves, or both caves at the same time using alternating lifts. The LPH system handles
26 and positions product containers for filling with LAW glass product. The major pieces of
27 equipment include the container turntable, container elevator, transfer bogies, and monorail
28 hoists.

29
30 Container Turntable, Container Elevator, Glass Pour Seal Head

31 A container turntable is provided in each pour cave for handling containers. The turntable
32 accommodates three containers and rotates to position them at three stations: the container
33 transfer station, the container fill station, and the container cooling station. At each container
34 location in the turntable is a lower overpack section that locates the containers and provides
35 support. Containers remain in the overpack during the elevating and glass filling cycle.

36
37 As containers are filled and cooled, the turntable rotates to the transfer station where container
38 changeout occurs. Cooled, full product containers are removed from the turntable and replaced
39 with empty containers. The turntable is rotated to position the empty container at the fill station.
40 The container elevator raises the empty container and lower overpack up to the glass pour seal
41 head for container filling.

42
43 The elevator is equipped with features to provide a weight of the product container being
44 supported. Weight is used to verify that a container is present and that it is empty. The weight

1 must be between established minimum and maximum values for glass pouring to occur.
2 Additionally, the weight can be used to ensure that container filling is occurring and to provide
3 the rate of glass pouring. The elevator weight is not intended to give an accurate weight of the
4 container; it is merely used as an indication of container presence and condition.
5

6 The glass pour seal head is the interface between the melter discharge and the product container
7 during glass pouring. The seal head consists of a metal bellows arrangement that is connected to
8 the melter discharge with the other end of the bellows open for interface with product containers.
9

10 Container fill level is monitored by a thermal imaging camera. The camera provides a view of
11 the diameter and the upper one-half of a container. The thermal imaging camera indicates
12 container fill level for primary control of fill rate and pour shut off. In the event of primary level
13 detection failure, a gamma detector activates a high-high level shutdown.
14

15 The container is filled using several pours. The pour process occurs more quickly than glass can
16 be made in the melter, resulting in lag time between pours. Rapid pouring allows molten glass to
17 flow out to all edges of the container. Following the final glass pour batch, the container remains
18 in position to provide initial container cooling and containment of final glass discharges. The
19 container is then lowered to the turntable. The turntable is again rotated, placing the recently
20 filled container at the cooling/venting station. Container cooling continues while another
21 container undergoes the fill cycle. Once cooled, the container is rotated to the transfer position
22 for export and the process is repeated.
23

24 Container Transportation

25 Another function of the LPH system is to provide product container transportation between the
26 container transfer bogie and the pour cave turntable. The system transfers empty product
27 containers from the container transfer bogie to the melter turntable, and transfers full product
28 containers from the turntable to the transfer bogie in a manner that supports the plant throughput
29 goals.
30

31 Concrete walls separate the pour caves from the bogie transfer tunnel. These walls have
32 doorways large enough to allow the hoist units loaded with new or filled product containers to
33 pass through them. The doorways are fitted with steel shield doors.
34

35 Concrete walls also separate the monorail maintenance facility from the bogie transfer tunnel.
36 These walls have openings sized to prevent an ILAW container from entering the maintenance
37 area. These doorways are also fitted with steel shield doors that provide radiological shielding
38 from sources in the transfer tunnel during hands-on maintenance activities in the monorail
39 maintenance facility.
40

41 Pour cave transfer operations are conducted remotely with only a few exceptions. Maintenance
42 and recovery operations in the bogie transfer tunnel, such as a jammed grapple, may require
43 hands-on intervention. Monorail hoist maintenance operations conducted in the maintenance
44 facility are completely hands-on. Monorail hoist recovery operations can become a hands-on/
45 remote combination depending on the failure details.

1
2 The LPH system provides a buffer storage area for ILAW containers in the event downstream
3 processing lines become backed up. Additionally, ILAW container rework is conducted in the
4 buffer storage area. Anticipated activities include ILAW container transfers into the buffer
5 storage area from the container transfer bogies, container transfers within the buffer storage area,
6 container transfer from the buffer storage area to the transfer tunnel, and container rework. The
7 buffer storage area is adjacent to a crane maintenance facility. The crane maintenance area is
8 shielded from the buffer storage area to allow hands-on maintenance in the crane maintenance
9 facility and transfer tunnel while containers are present in the buffer storage area.

10
11 The LPH transfer tunnel runs from the bogie maintenance area on the west end of the plant to the
12 buffer storage area at the east end of the building. The buffer storage area import/export
13 positions are located within the container transfer corridor. Concrete walls with passages for
14 ILAW containers separate the north and south buffer storage areas and the container transfer
15 corridor. The passages are equipped with manually operated steel shield doors to support
16 maintenance or bogie recovery operations that might be required in this portion of the transfer
17 tunnel. The LFH hoists operating in the lidding area above this section of the container transfer
18 corridor transfer ILAW containers to and from the buffer storage area import/export position.

19
20 Buffer storage area container transfer operations are conducted with the use of a bridge crane.
21 The crane rails begin in the crane maintenance facility adjacent to the north end of the buffer
22 storage area and extend south. The runway provides crane coverage to the crane maintenance
23 area, the ILAW container buffer storage area, the container transfer corridor, and the two
24 container import/export positions. There are container storage positions in the north and south
25 portions of the store, and one rework position also in the south portion of the store. The rework
26 position is located in the southeast corner of the ILAW container buffer storage area/rework area.
27 The rework position can be fitted with a powered turntable, a pair of master-slave manipulators.
28 A shielded window is located in this area. Directly east of the rework position, on the cold side
29 of the buffer storage area, is a rework area operating platform that provides operator access to the
30 master-slave manipulators and shielded window.

31
32 A winch is provided to support maintenance operations on the buffer storage area bridge crane.
33 A steel shield door and a concrete wall separate the crane maintenance facility from the buffer
34 storage area, allowing maintenance operations to be conducted while the buffer storage area
35 contains full ILAW containers.

36 37 LAW Container Finishing Handling System (LFH)

38 Figure 4A-24 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the LAW container finishing
39 handling system (LFH). There are two LFH finishing lines. The functions of the LFH system
40 are to verify the container fill level, determine if inert fill is required, complete closure of the
41 ILAW container, decontaminate the exterior of the container, and verify surface contamination
42 levels before exporting the container. The system also has the ability to sample the solidified
43 glass, place the glass shards in a vial, and make these vials available for transfer to the
44 laboratory.
45

1 The filled containers are raised from the transfer tunnel into one of two finishing lines and placed
2 on a bogie. The bogie with the container travels to the shard sampling station. A sample of the
3 glass may be taken with the glass shard sampler. Based on the measured level in the container,
4 inert fill is added as needed. From there the bogie travels to the container lidding station where
5 the lid is mechanically secured to the container. After mechanically sealing the lid to the
6 container, the bogie travels to the decontamination area.

7
8 At the decontamination station, the container is decontaminated with carbon dioxide pellets.
9 Debris produced during decontamination is collected with a HEPA filtered exhaust system. This
10 gas stream is then routed to the plant vent system where it is passed through the plant's HEPA
11 filters before being discharged through the stack.

12
13 Once the container is decontaminated, it is transported to the swabbing station where it is
14 surveyed for loose surface contamination to verify it meets the contamination requirements. The
15 swabbing machine uses a power manipulator to maneuver the swabs over the surface. The
16 contaminated swabs are then monitored to determine gamma-beta levels for smearable
17 contaminants. If contamination levels exceed C2 contamination criteria, the container can go
18 through the carbon dioxide decontamination station. If the container meets C2 contamination
19 criteria, the bogie moves into the monitoring/export station. As the container is transported into
20 the monitoring/export station from the swabbing station, gamma monitoring measures the
21 surface dose rate of the decontaminated container. If the container exceeds the contamination
22 requirement, it is classified as an out-of-specification container. Otherwise, the dose rate is
23 measured and is recorded with the container's records. Out-of-specification ILAW containers
24 are routed back through the decontamination stations until the radiological contamination levels
25 are within specification. The container is then exported for shipment to the disposal site.

26
27 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the LRH system to indicate
28 or prevent the following conditions:

- 29
- 30 • Opening of personnel access door when container is present in the line transfer station
 - 31 • Opening of personnel access door when either line transfer trap doors are open
 - 32 • Opening of both line transfer trap doors at the same time
 - 33 • Opening of personnel access door if airborne contamination levels are higher than design
34 contamination classification within the line transfer station

35
36 Decontamination Station

37 A decontamination station is located within each of the finishing lines in the LAW vitrification
38 plant. After the ILAW container has been sealed, it is transported to the decontamination station.
39 Equipment items located in the decontamination station include the carbon dioxide
40 decontamination manipulator, turntable, and exhaust system. Most other items are located
41 outside of the decontamination station, including the carbon dioxide pelletizer, the transport air
42 compressor, and the liquid carbon dioxide storage and delivery system, exhaust fans, and HEPA
43 filters.
44

1 The containers are decontaminated using carbon dioxide pellets. The carbon dioxide
2 decontamination manipulator is fitted with an exhaust recovery hood to recover the effluent from
3 the decontamination operation. Debris produced during decontamination is collected with a
4 HEPA filtered exhaust system. This gas stream is then routed to the plant vent system where it is
5 passed through the plant's HEPA filters before being discharged through the stack.

6
7 Once the container is decontaminated, it is transported from the decontamination station to the
8 swabbing station.

9
10 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the decontamination station
11 to indicate or prevent the following conditions:

- 12
- 13 • Opening of the decontamination or decontamination/swabbing containment door during
14 decontamination
 - 15 • Opening of the decontamination and decontamination/swabbing containment door at the
16 same time

17
18 Swabbing and Swabbing-Monitoring Station

19 At the swabbing station, containers are surveyed for loose surface contamination to verify that
20 they meet the contamination requirement. The swabbing machine maneuvers the swabs over the
21 container surface. After a prescribed area is covered, the contaminated swabs are exported away
22 from radioactive source for monitoring to determine gamma-beta levels for smearable
23 contaminants. If contamination levels exceed C2 criteria, the container is transported back into
24 the decontamination station for rework. If the container meets C2 criteria, the turntable bogie
25 moves into the export station.

26
27 Once the container is transported into the monitoring/export station from the swabbing station, a
28 gamma monitor measures the dose rate of the decontaminated container. If the container
29 exceeds the specified dose requirement, it is classified as an out-of-specification container;
30 otherwise, the dose rate is measured and is recorded within the container's records. The
31 container is then exported out of the monitoring/export station for shipment to the disposal site.

32
33 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the swab monitoring station
34 to indicate or prevent the following conditions:

- 35
- 36 • Personnel access when a container is present in swab monitoring station
 - 37 • Opening of decontamination/swabbing or swabbing/export containment door during
38 swabbing
 - 39 • Opening of personnel access door when container is present in the swabbing station
 - 40 • Opening of personnel access door if airborne contamination levels are higher than design
41 contamination classification within the decontamination area
 - 42 • Opening of personnel access door if high concentration of carbon dioxide is present within
43 the decontamination area

- 1 • Rotation of posting turntable during swabbing
- 2 Export of swab if radiation levels from swab are higher than design radiation classification in the
- 3 operational area

4 LAW Container Export Handling System (LEH)

5 The purpose of the LEH system is to load ILAW containers onto a transportation vehicle for
6 transfer to a Hanford Site TSD unit. This system is contained in a truck bay on the east end of
7 the LAW vitrification plant.
8

9
10 Under normal operations the ILAW container will be received from the LFH system through a
11 hatch. Radiological dose rate and contamination level are determined and verified to be within
12 limits prior to entering the LEH system. An overhead crane lifts the ILAW container through the
13 hatch and places it on the transportation vehicle.
14

15 Operations are remote and maintenance is "hands-on" in the LEH system. The overhead crane is
16 provided with closed circuit television cameras for operation when radiological conditions do not
17 permit personnel access during the ILAW container loading.
18

19 **4.1.3.7 LAW Melter Equipment Support Handling System (LSH)**

20 The primary function of the LSH system is to provide the equipment and support necessary to
21 complete maintenance tasks on all melters and equipment in the melter gallery of the LAW
22 vitrification plant. The primary equipment used in support of the maintenance efforts are:
23

- 24 • Consumable change-out boxes
- 25 • Consumable change-out boxes storage racks
- 26 • Consumable change-out boxes preparation stand
- 27 • Melter gallery process cranes
- 28 • Consumable change-out boxes handler
- 29 • Lifting head
- 30 • Melter gamma gate
- 31 • Shield cover removal tool

32
33 Melter consumables will be removed through the top of the melter shielding. Melter consumable
34 items will be those that require routine and nonroutine maintenance, but provide necessary
35 functions to continue melter operations. The routine consumable items will be bubbler
36 assemblies. New bubbler assemblies will be shipped to the plant and will be installed into the
37 melter. Spent bubblers will be extracted from the melter and packaged into a box for disposal.
38

39 Refractory thermocouples, airlifts, level detectors, feed nozzles, and film coolers will be
40 considered nonroutine and are replaced on an as-needed basis according to the appropriate
41 procedures and with appropriate equipment.
42

1 **4.1.3.8 LAW Vitrification Plant Ventilation**

2 The LAW vitrification plant will be divided into four numbered zones (the C4 designation is not
3 used) listed and defined below, with the higher number indicating greater radiological hazard
4 potential and therefore a requirement for a greater degree of control or restriction. The zoning of
5 the ventilation system will be based on the classifications assigned to building areas for potential
6 radiological contamination. Zones classified as C5 are potentially the most contaminated and
7 include the pour caves, buffer storage area, and process cells. Zones classified as C1 are
8 uncontaminated areas.
9

10 Containment will be achieved by maintaining C5 areas at the greatest negative pressure, with
11 airflows cascaded through engineered routes from C2 areas to C3 areas and on to the C5 areas.
12 The cascade system, in which air passes through more than one area, will reduce the number of
13 separate ventilation streams and hence the amount of air requiring treatment. Adherence to this
14 concept in the design and operation of the LAW vitrification plant will ensure that the ventilation
15 air does not become a significant source of exposure to operators, and that the air emissions do
16 not endanger human health or the environment.
17

18 An exhaust air radiation monitoring system, consisting of sensors to monitor radiation in the
19 exhaust air stream, or a representative sampling system is provided in the discharge header
20 downstream of the exhaust fans. A monitoring system would consist of probe assemblies,
21 vacuum pumps, a stack flow sensor, temperature sensor, and radiation sensors. A temperature
22 transmitter is also provided in the discharge header downstream of the exhaust fans for
23 continuous monitoring of exhaust air temperature.
24

25 C1 Ventilation System (C1V)

26 C1 areas are normally occupied. C1 areas will typically consist of administrative offices, control
27 rooms, conference rooms, locker rooms, rest rooms, and equipment rooms. C1 areas will be
28 operated slightly pressurized relative to atmosphere and other adjacent areas.
29

30 C2 Ventilation System (C2V)

31 C2 areas will typically consist of nonprocess operating areas, equipment rooms, stores, access
32 corridors, and plant rooms adjacent to areas with higher contamination potential. The C2V is
33 served by dedicated air handling units and exhaust fans. Ventilation air supplied to C2 areas will
34 be exhausted by the C2 exhaust system and cascaded into adjacent C3 areas. The sum of the
35 volumetric flow rates exhausted by the C2 exhaust system and cascaded into adjacent C3 areas
36 will be greater than the volumetric flow rate supplied to C2 areas. This will cause the C2 areas
37 to maintain a nominal negative pressure relative to atmosphere. C2 exhaust will pass through
38 one stage of HEPA filters and be discharged to the atmosphere by the exhaust fans. Supply and
39 exhaust fans are provided with variable frequency drives.
40

41 C3 Ventilation System (C3V)

42 C3 areas are normally unoccupied, but allow operator access, for instance during maintenance.
43 C3 areas will typically consist of filter plant rooms, workshops, maintenance areas, and
44 monitoring areas. Air will generally be drawn from C2 areas and, wherever possible, cascaded
45 through the C3 areas into C5 areas, or alternatively exhausted from the C3 areas by the C3

1 exhaust system. In general, air cascaded into the C3 areas will be from adjacent C2/C3
2 subchange rooms. C3 exhaust will pass through one stage of HEPA filters and be discharged to
3 the atmosphere by the exhaust fans. C3 exhaust fans are provided with variable frequency
4 drives.

6 C5 Ventilation System (C5V)

7 Where there is in-bleed air from the C3 system to the C5 system, fan cascade trip interlocks
8 protect the system from backflow.

10 The C5 areas in the LAW vitrification plant will be composed of the following:

- 12 • Pour caves
- 13 • Container transfer tunnel
- 14 • Buffer storage area
- 15 • C3/C5 drains/sump collection vessel room
- 16 • Process cells
- 17 • Finishing line

19 Air will be cascaded into the C5 areas and exhausted by the C5 exhaust system. Engineered
20 ventilation pipe entries (air in-bleeds) through the C5 confinement boundary will be protected by
21 backflow isolation dampers. C5 exhaust will pass through two stages of HEPA filters and be
22 discharged to the atmosphere by the exhaust fans. C5 exhaust fans are provided with variable
23 frequency drives.

25 **4.1.4 HLW Vitrification Plant**

26 Figure 4A-4 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the HLW vitrification processes. The
27 HLW vitrification plant will consist of several process systems designed to perform the
28 following functions:

- 30 • Store pretreated HLW slurry
- 31 • Convert blended HLW slurry and glass formers into glass
- 32 • Treat melter offgas
- 33 • Handle IHLW canisters
- 34 • Store IHLW containers
- 35 • Provide supporting equipment in the melter cave
- 36 • Handle miscellaneous waste
- 37 • Ventilate the HLW vitrification plant

39 The following figures located in Appendix 4A and drawings found in DWP Attachment 51,
40 Appendix 10 provide additional detail for the HLW vitrification plant:

- 1 • Simplified flow diagram for the WTP
- 2 • Process flow figures and drawings for process information
- 3 • Typical system figures depicting common features for each regulated system
- 4 • General arrangement figures and drawings showing locations of regulated equipment
- 5 • Waste management area figures and drawings showing plant locations to be permitted

6
7 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the tank systems and
8 miscellaneous treatment systems to indicate or prevent the following conditions, as appropriate:

- 9
10 • Overfilling: Plant items are protected against overfilling by liquid level indication, high level
11 instrumentation interlocks to shut off feed sources, and process control system control
12 functions backed up by hard wired trips as required.
- 13
14 • Loss of containment: Plant items are protected against containment loss by liquid level
15 indication, and by process control system control and alarm functions as required, including
16 shut off of feed sources. Each plant item that manages liquid mixed or dangerous waste is
17 provided with secondary containment. Sumps associated with the management of mixed or
18 dangerous waste are provided with liquid level instrumentation and an ejector or pump to
19 empty the sump as needed.
- 20
21 • Inadvertent transfers of fluids: System sequential operations are properly interlocked to
22 prevent inadvertent transfers at the wrong time or to the wrong location.

23
24 In addition to level control, temperature and pressure may be monitored for tank systems and
25 miscellaneous treatment systems in some cases. Regulated process and leak detection system
26 instruments and parameters will be provided in DWP Table III.10.E.G for tank systems and in
27 DWP Table III.10.J.C for miscellaneous treatment sub-systems.

28
29 Descriptions of the HLW vitrification process, melter offgas treatment systems, and IHLW glass
30 container handling systems are provided in the following sections.

31 32 **4.1.4.1 HLW Melter Feed Process**

33 The following HLW melter feed description is identical for both Melter 1 (HMP-MLTR-00001)
34 and Melter 2 (HMP-MLTR-00002). The HLW melter feed process consists of the following:

- 35
36 • HLW concentrate receipt process system (HCP)
- 37 • HLW melter feed process system (HFP)
- 38 • HLW glass formers reagent system (GFR) (the GFR system does not manage dangerous
39 waste and is provided for information only)

1 Figure 4A-26 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the HLW concentrate receipt process
2 system (HCP) and the HLW melter feed process system (HFP). The primary function of this
3 tank system is to receive HLW feed slurry from the pretreatment plant, mix glass formers with
4 HLW feed to form a uniform blend, and provide a blended feed to the HLW melter. An analysis
5 of the waste determines a glass additive formulation for the conversion of the waste to glass.
6 The glass additives specified in the formulation are weighed and mixed with the waste.

7
8 The HCP system consists of the following vessel and associated ancillary equipment:

- 9
10 • Concentrate Receipt Vessels (HCP-VSL-00001/2)

11
12 The HFP system consists of the following vessels and associated ancillary equipment:

- 13
14 • Feed Preparation Vessel (HFP-VSL-00001/5)
15 • HLW Melter Feed Vessel (HFP-VSL-00002/6)

16
17 The two Concentrate Receipt Vessels (HCP-VSL-00001/2), located in a wet process cell, receive
18 HLW concentrate from the pretreatment plant. Process control samples are collected from these
19 vessels and analyzed to determine the glass former formulation. Typically, the concentrate
20 receipt vessels are operated in opposite cycles, where one vessel is filled and sampled while the
21 other is being emptied. After completion of sample analysis, a batch of waste is transferred to a
22 Feed Preparation Vessels (HFP-VSL-00001/5) for blending with glass formers from the glass
23 former feed hopper. The glass former feed hopper receives blended glass formers and reductant
24 (such as silica, boric acid, calcium silicate, ferric oxide, lithium carbonate, and sucrose) from the
25 balance of facilities glass former system. After the blending, the glass formers are gravity-fed
26 into the feed preparation vessel, where the blended glass formers are mixed with the HLW
27 concentrate to form a uniform slurry. The slurry is then fed to a HLW Melter Feed Vessels
28 (HFP-VSL-00002/6) and then to the HLW melter process system (HMP).

29
30 Controls developed to prevent or mitigate equipment malfunction are incorporated into the
31 design. The *Description of HLW Vitrification Bypass Events*, 24590-HLW-PER-PR-03-001
32 describes the operating conditions that require interlocking with the melter feed involve
33 individual components within the offgas system that could result in over pressurization of the
34 melter.

35
36 The HLW GFR system contains glass former feed hoppers, located in a C3/R3 area on the roof
37 of the HLW vitrification plant, that receive blended glass formers and sucrose by dense-phase
38 pneumatic conveyors from transporters. The transporters are located in the glass formers' room
39 within the balance of facilities building.

40
41 The feed hoppers are equipped with filters to remove the dust from air used for pneumatic
42 conveying and blending. It is anticipated that a series of single filter cartridges will be mounted
43 on the top of the hoppers. The filters are cleaned by introducing compressed air through the
44 cleaning nozzle to blow accumulated dust back into the hoppers. The feed hoppers are equipped

1 with load cells to weigh the glass formers to confirm that the material in the upstream blending
2 silo is conveyed to the feed hoppers. The load cells also confirm that the glass formers are
3 transferred out of the feed hoppers to the melter Feed Preparation Vessels (HFP-VSL-00001/5).

4
5 Following the blending cycle, the glass formers are gravity-fed with a rotary feeder into the
6 melter Feed Preparation Vessels (HFP-VSL-00001/5), where the blended glass formers are
7 mixed with the waste feed. This equipment is located in an isolated area that serves as a
8 contamination barrier between the Feed Preparation Vessels (HFP-VSL-00001/5) and the glass
9 former supply. The rotary valve controls the rate of glass former addition into the Feed
10 Preparation Vessels (HFP-VSL-00001/5).

11 12 **4.1.4.2 HLW Melter Process System (HMP)**

13 Figure 4A-27 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the HLW melter process system
14 (HMP). The primary functions of this miscellaneous treatment sub-system are to convert
15 blended waste feed and glass formers into molten glass, deliver molten glass to HLW canisters,
16 fill the canisters with molten glass waste, and monitor and control glass waste level during waste
17 filling. The following melter process system, HMP, is identical for both HLW Melters
18 (HMP-MLTR-00001/2).

19
20 The HMP system includes the HLW Melters (HMP-MLTR-00001/2), two discharge chambers
21 and two pour spouts, and primary and secondary canister level detection systems. The melter
22 and pour spout will be remotely operated in a C5/R5 cell. There will be no personnel access to
23 this cell after processing of the HLW feed stream begins.

24 25 HLW Melters (HMP-MLTR-00001/2)

26 The two HLW Melters (HMP-MLTR-00001/2), located in melter cave no. 1 and melter cave
27 no. 2, respectively, are rectangular in shape with an outer steel casing. Each is lined with
28 refractory material designed to withstand corrosion by molten glass. The steel casing for the
29 melter area is provided with water cooling to maintain a thermal gradient in the bricks for
30 corrosion control, prevent migration of glass through the bricks, and reduce heat load to the
31 process cell. The lid of the HLW Melter will be sealed to the melter shell in order to provide gas
32 containment. The lid will provide a support structure through which subcomponents can be
33 mounted. Penetrations are sealed by appropriate fittings that allow remote removal and
34 replacement.

35
36 Waste feed will be introduced to the melter as a slurry through insulated nozzles in the melter lid.
37 Each feed nozzle will be individually supplied from a slurry pump. The water and volatile feed
38 constituents in the slurry will evaporate, leaving behind a layer of material known as the cold
39 cap. Waste feed components that remain in the cold cap will undergo chemical reactions, be
40 converted to their respective oxides, and dissolve in the molten glass. As the slurry is fed,
41 molten glass is formed that accumulates in the glass tank. New slurry will be added at about the
42 same rate as the cold cap dissolves, maintaining the quantity of cold cap material at a steady
43 level. The molten glass level in the melter is maintained between the top of the electrodes and
44 below the upper edge of the glass contact refractory blocks. The rate of feed addition to the
45 melter determines the cold cap coverage in the melt pool. The feed addition rate can be

1 controlled based on the average plenum temperature measured by thermocouples mounted in the
2 melter lid. Air injectors may be used to mix and agitate the molten glass. When the melt level
3 rises to a predetermined upper limit, it is discharged to a canister.

4
5 Each Melter (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) includes three important regions: the glass pool, two
6 discharge chambers, and a plenum just above the glass pool. Melter pool level measurement is
7 used throughout melter operations in conjunction with alarms for high or low glass pool levels.
8 Each discharge chamber is a heavily insulated box on the south side of the melter, housing the
9 discharge trough and a connection flange for the pour spout assembly. The plenum is lined with
10 refractory to withstand hot corrosive gases, thermal shock, and slurried waste splatter.

11
12 The power to the electrodes is regulated by the process control system to maintain the
13 temperature at the set point value. The heat for the HLW Melter startup is provided by
14 temporarily installed radiant electric heaters mounted on the lid of the melter. These heaters melt
15 the glass formers sufficiently to make it ionically conductive between the Melter's joule heating
16 electrodes. When a conducting path is established, the Melter is heated in a controlled manner
17 by passing more and more current between the electrodes through the glass (a process known as
18 *joule heating*). After some time the Melter reaches its operating temperature (generally in the
19 range of 950 °C to 1,250 °C) and slurry feeding can start. As the slurry is fed, molten glass is
20 formed by vitrification of the cold cap materials into the glass melt. When the melt level rises to
21 a predetermined level, it can be discharged into a canister.

22
23 The gas produced during melting is mainly steam and contains volatile components and airborne
24 matter that require removal prior to discharge to the atmosphere. This offgas is diluted by air
25 from four sources; inadvertent air in-leakage through the Melter lid and discharge port,
26 instrumentation and sparging, film cooler air, and air added to control the Melter vacuum. The
27 Melter plenum is maintained at a vacuum with offgas system blowers and control injection of air
28 into the offgas line near the Melter exhaust. This assures containment and avoids Melter
29 pressurization. This vacuum is sensed at a location near the plenum where blockage and feed
30 splatter is unlikely. The sensed vacuum is used to drive a control valve that regulates the draft in
31 the Melter exhaust line.

32
33 The glass level in the Melters (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) is maintained between the top of the upper
34 electrodes and below the upper edge of the tank blocks. The level is determined directly by two
35 bubbler tubes that indicate density and glass depth. Thermocouples housed in thermowells that
36 penetrate the cold cap and are immersed in the molten glass also indicate molten glass level.
37 Level measurement is used throughout melter operations in conjunction with alarms for high or
38 low glass pool levels.

39 Glass Discharge System

40 Discharge is achieved by transferring glass from the bottom of the melt pool up through a riser
41 and out of the Melter through a side discharge chamber. Under each of the two discharge
42 chambers there is a pour spout that connects the Melter discharge chamber to the respective
43 HLW canister.
44
45

1 The glass level in the Melter is maintained between the top of the electrodes and the overflow
2 level of the discharge trough. The Melter glass pool level will be measured to indicate when to
3 start and stop glass discharge. Each Melter has two independently operated glass discharge
4 systems, adjacent to each other on one side of the Melter. Each system includes an airlift riser,
5 an airlift lance, a glass pour trough, and a heated discharge chamber. Glass is discharged by
6 introducing gas into the molten glass in the discharge riser. The gas increases the level in the
7 riser, causing the molten glass to flow down the trough and fall from the tip of the trough into the
8 canister. When the desired level in the canister is reached, the air lift gas is turned off, and the
9 glass level in the riser recedes stopping the flow of glass to the canister. During pouring
10 operations, a remote camera is used to view the pour stream within the pour spout assembly.
11 The camera is for observation only and is not a regulated operation.

12 13 Level Detection

14 The purpose of each canister level detection system is to monitor the molten glass level within
15 the HLW canister and to prevent canister overfilling. During glass pour, the level detection
16 system is used to monitor the glass level to ensure the canister is filled to the desired level. The
17 level detection system also will be able to monitor the rate at which the glass level is rising in the
18 canister. There is a primary and a secondary monitoring system, which is consistent with
19 standard vessel level control. A primary system that operates through the process control system
20 is used for normal operations, and a secondary "hard-wired" system is used to back up the
21 primary system and automatically shut down the fill before the overflow limit is reached. The
22 primary level detection system is a thermal imaging system that provides continuous level
23 monitoring over the entire canister. In the event that the primary thermal imaging system
24 malfunctions, the backup discrete point radiation detection system will indicate a filled canister.

25
26 During glass pour, the level detection system will display a thermal image on a monitor and will
27 utilize a serial connection to interface with the process control system for indication and control
28 purposes. The imaging software will be used to continuously monitor the level of glass in the
29 canister and will provide an output of the glass level to control loops in the process control
30 system. A high-level condition will be indicated by the process control system, which will
31 initiate alarms and/or control sequences to control the melter pour. The infrared image will be
32 available through the plant closed circuit television system. The control system will be able to
33 store the level of the glass in a canister between batch pours when the temperature in the canister
34 could be cooled down sufficiently to prevent the thermal imaging system from detecting the
35 glass level. The level is reset to zero with each new canister. The control system will also be
36 used to monitor the average temperature of the glass near the top of the pour. If the temperature
37 is lower than a set point value, an alarm will be initiated by the process control system.

38
39 Another function of the system is to detect the rate at which the glass level is rising in the
40 canister. This gives an indication of deviation between expected normal pour rates. Deviation
41 could indicate a malfunction of the glass discharge system, and an alarm would be initiated.

42
43 In the event that the primary thermal imaging system malfunctions, the backup discrete point
44 radiation detection system would prevent a canister overfill. This system is designed only to
45 detect a discrete high glass level, producing a contact closure when the high level is sensed.

1 When the high level has been reached, the system will automatically shut down the melter gas
2 lift which, in turn, will stop the glass pour. The system is limited to discrete levels of glass fill,
3 not continuous monitoring.

4
5 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the HMP system to indicate
6 or prevent the following conditions:

- 7
- 8 • The melter cannot pour without verification that the bogie is present
- 9 • The melter cannot pour without verification that the canister is present
- 10 • The melter cannot pour if the canister is greater than 95 % full

11 12 **4.1.4.3 Melter Offgas Treatment Process System (HOP)**

13 The HOP system is composed of tanks and miscellaneous treatment sub-systems, separated into
14 the primary and secondary melter offgas treatment systems.

15
16 Melter offgas is generated from the vitrification of HLW in the joule-heated ceramic melter. The
17 rate of generation of gases in the melter is dynamic and not steady state. Each HLW Melter
18 (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) generates offgas resulting from decomposition, oxidation, and
19 vaporization of feed material. Constituents of the offgas include:

- 20
- 21 • Nitrogen oxides from decomposition of metal nitrates in the melter feed
- 22 • Chloride, fluoride, and sulfur as oxides, acid gases, and salts
- 23 • Particulates and aerosols
- 24 • Entrained feed material and glass

25
26 In addition, the HLW Melters (HOP-MLTR-00001/2) generate small quantities of other volatile
27 compounds including iodine-129, carbon-14, tritium, and volatile organic compounds. The
28 carbon-14 and tritium emissions are in the form of carbon dioxide and water, respectively.

29
30 The HOP system is divided into a primary system and a secondary system. The purpose of the
31 HOP system is to cool and treat the Melter offgas and vessel ventilation offgas to a level that is
32 protective of human health and the environment. The offgas system must also provide a pressure
33 confinement boundary that will control Melter pressure and prevent vapor release to the plant.
34 The design of the melter offgas system must accommodate changes in offgas flow from the
35 Melter (HOP-MLTR-00001/2) without causing the melter to pressurize.

36
37 Initial decontamination of offgas from the melter is provided by the primary offgas treatment
38 system. This primary offgas system is designed to handle intermittent surges of seven times
39 steam flow and three times non-condensable flow from feed. The primary system consists of a
40 film cooler, submerged bed scrubber, a wet electrostatic precipitator, and a high efficiency mist
41 eliminator. This system cools the offgas and removes particulates.

1 Additionally, an extra line from the Melter (HOP-MLTR-00001/2) to the Submerged Bed
2 Scrubber (HOP-SCB-00001/2) is provided in the unlikely case that the primary offgas line plugs.
3 This extra line includes a valve as the isolation device. As soon as the Melter vacuum decreases
4 to a set point, the valve is actuated and offgas flow is allowed through the line to the Submerged
5 Bed Scrubber, thereby preventing melter pressurization. In the event that the Melter surge is
6 much higher than the system is designed to handle, a pressure relief valve acts as the pressure
7 relief point venting the offgas to the melter cave. Offgas from the Melter cave is drawn through
8 HEPA Filters to remove particulates and discharged to the atmosphere. Once the Melter
9 pressure is back to the desired set point, the valve closes.

10
11 The vessel ventilation system offgas consists primarily of air, water vapor, and minor amounts of
12 aerosols generated by the agitation or movement of vessel contents. The vessel ventilation
13 header joins the primary offgas system after the Wet Electrostatic Precipitators
14 (HOP-WESP-00001/2). After the HEPA Filters (HOP-HEPA-00001A/1B/2A/2B/7A/7B/8A/
15 8B), the offgas is routed to the secondary offgas treatment system.

16
17 The following sections provide descriptions of major melter offgas treatment components and
18 are identical for both Melter 1 (HMP-MLTR-00001) and Melter 2 (HMP-MLTR-00002).

19 20 4.1.4.3.1 Primary Melter Offgas Treatment System (HOP)

21 DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 10.1 contains a process flow diagrams of the primary melter
22 offgas treatment process system (HOP)(24590-HLW-M5-V17T-P0003). The purpose of the
23 primary offgas treatment system is to cool the melter offgas and to remove offgas aerosols and
24 particulates generated by the Melter (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) and from the vessel ventilation air.
25 This treatment system consists of the following:

26 27 Tanks

- 28 • SBS Condensate Receiver Vessels (HOP-VSL-00903/4)

29 30 Miscellaneous Treatment Sub-Systems

- 31 • Film Coolers (HOP-FCLR-00001/2)
- 32 • Submerged Bed Scrubbers (HOP-SCB-00001/2)
- 33 • Wet Electrostatic Precipitators (HOP-WESP-00001/2)
- 34 • High-Efficiency Mist Eliminators (HEME)(HOP-HEME-00001A/1B/2A/2B)
- 35 • Electric Heaters (HOP-HTR-00001B/2A/5A/5B)
- 36 • High Efficiency Particulate Air (HEPA) Filters (HOP-HEPA-00001A/1B/2A/2B/7A/7B/8A/
37 8B)

38 39 Film Coolers (HOP-FCLR-00001/2)

40 The function of the Film Cooler (HOP-FCLR-00001/2) miscellaneous treatment sub-system is to
41 cool the offgas and entrained molten glass droplets below the glass sticking temperature to
42 minimize glass deposition on the offgas piping walls. The offgas exits the Melter

1 (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) and is mixed with air in the offgas Film Cooler. The Film Cooler is a
2 double-walled pipe designed to introduce injected gas axially along the walls of the offgas pipe
3 through a series of holes or slots in the inner wall. Each melter has a single Film Cooler.
4

5 A mechanical reamer may be mounted on the Film Cooler (HOP-FCLR-00001/2) to periodically
6 remove solids build-up on the inner film cooler wall. The reaming device (wire brush or drill)
7 would be periodically inserted into the film cooler for mechanical solids removal.
8

9 Submerged Bed Scrubber (HOP-SCB-00001/2)

10 The offgas from the HLW melter Film Cooler (HOP-FCLR-00001/2) enters the Submerged Bed
11 Scrubber (HOP-SCB-00001/2) miscellaneous treatment sub-system for further cooling and solids
12 removal. The Submerged Bed Scrubber is a passive device designed for aqueous scrubbing of
13 entrained particulate from melter offgas, cooling and condensation of melter vapor emissions,
14 and interim storage of condensed fluids. It will also quench the offgas to a desired discharge
15 temperature through the use of cooling coils/jacket. The offgas leaves the Submerged Bed
16 Scrubber in thermal equilibrium with the scrubbing solution.
17

18 The Submerged bed Scrubber (HOP-SCB-00001/2) has one offgas inlet. The offgas enters the
19 Submerged Bed Scrubber through the inlet pipe that runs down through the center of the bed to
20 the packing support plate. The bed-retaining walls extend below the support plate, creating a
21 lower skirt to allow the formation of a gas bubble underneath the packing. The entire bed is
22 suspended off the floor of the Submerged Bed Scrubber to allow the scrubbing solution to
23 circulate freely through the bed. After formation of the gas bubble beneath the packing, the
24 injected offgas then bubbles up through the packed bed. The rising gas bubbles also cause the
25 scrubbing liquid to circulate up through the packed bed, resulting in a general recirculation of the
26 scrubbing solution. The packing breaks larger bubbles into smaller ones to increase the gas to
27 water contacting surface, thereby increasing particulate removal and heat transfer efficiencies.
28 The warmed scrubbing solution then flows downward outside of the packed bed through cooling
29 coils/jacket.
30

31 To maintain a constant liquid level within the Submerged Bed Scrubber (HOP-SCB-00001/2), it
32 will be equipped with an overflow line that allows for the continuous discharge of offgas
33 condensate and some scrubbed particulates to the SBS Condensate Receiver Vessels
34 (HOP-VSL-00903/4). The SBS Condensate Receiver Vessels are also equipped with a cooling
35 jacket. The rate of condensate discharge is determined by how much the offgas temperature is
36 lowered below its dew point. The condensate and some collected particulates overflow into the
37 SBS Condensate Receiver Vessel. To minimize the buildup of the solids in the bottom of the
38 Submerged Bed Scrubber, condensate from the SBS Condensate Receiver Vessels
39 (HOP-VSL-00903/4) will be re-circulated back to the Submerged Bed Scrubber and injected
40 through multiple lances to agitate and suspend solids on the Submerged Bed Scrubber vessel
41 floor. The collected solids will then be pumped directly off the Submerged Bed Scrubber vessel
42 floor to the Plant Wash and Drains Vessel (RLD-VSL-00008). This purging and recycling
43 process occurs simultaneously. Venting of this condensate receiver vessel is via the submerged
44 bed scrubber into the main offgas discharge pipe.
45

1 The scrubbed offgas discharges through the top of the submerged bed scrubber and is routed to
2 the Wet Electrostatic Precipitator (HOP-WESP-00001/2) for further particulate removal.

3
4 Wet Electrostatic Precipitator (HOP-WESP-00001/2)

5 The Submerged Bed Scrubber offgas is routed to the Wet Electrostatic Precipitator
6 (HOP-WESP-00001/2) miscellaneous treatment sub-system for removal of aerosols down to and
7 including submicron size. The offgas enters the unit and may pass through a distribution plate.
8 The evenly distributed saturated gas then flows up through the tubes which act as the positive
9 electrodes. Each of these tubes has a single negatively charged electrode, which runs down the
10 centerline of each tube. A high-voltage, direct current transformer supplies the power to the
11 electrodes. A strong electric field generated along the electrodes gives a negative charge to the
12 aerosols. The negatively charged particles move toward the positively charged tube walls for
13 collection. Collected particles are then washed from the tube walls along with collected mists.
14 As the gas passes through the tubes, the first particles captured are the water droplets. As the
15 water droplets gravity drain through the electrode tubes the collected particles are washed off and
16 the final condensate is collected in the wet electrostatic precipitator dished bottom area. A water
17 spray may be used periodically to facilitate washing collected aerosols from the tubes. The tube
18 drain and wash solution is routed to the SBS Condensate Receiver Vessels (HOP-VSL-00903/4).

19
20 High-Efficiency Mist Eliminators (HOP-HEME-00001A/1B/2A/2B)

21 Further removal of aerosols is accomplished using the High-Efficiency Mist Eliminator (HEME).
22 The HEME miscellaneous treatment sub-systems also reduce the dust-loading rate on the HEPA
23 filters. Each HEME is essentially a high-efficiency demister that has a removal efficiency of
24 greater than 99 % for aerosols down to the submicron size. As the offgas passes through the
25 HEME (HOP-HEME-00001A/1B/2A/2B), the liquid droplets and other aerosols within the
26 offgas interact with High-Efficiency Mist Eliminators' filaments. As the aerosols contact the
27 filaments they adhere to the filaments surface by surface tension. As the droplets agglomerate
28 and grow, they eventually acquire enough mass to fall by gravity to the bottom of the unit, thus
29 overriding the original surface tension, friction with the filaments, and the gas velocity. These
30 collected droplets are assumed to contain the majority of the offgas radioactivity and will be
31 collected in the bottom of the High-Efficiency Mist Eliminators (HOP-HEME-00001A/1B/2A/
32 2B). The collected condensate will gravity drain into the SBS Condensate Receiver Vessel
33 (HOP-VSL-00903/4). As the condensate flows down through the filter bed, a washing action is
34 generated that will help wash collected solids from the filter elements. However, some solids
35 may accumulate in the bed over time, causing the pressure drop across the filter to increase.
36 When the pressure drop across the High-Efficiency Mist Eliminators reaches a predefined level,
37 it is washed with water to facilitate removal of accumulated solids. Some insoluble solids may
38 remain, and their accumulation will eventually lead to the replacement of the High-Efficiency
39 Mist Eliminators' filter elements.

40
41 HEPA Electric Heaters (HOP-HTR-00001B/2A/5A/5B) and Filters (HOP-HEPA-00001A/1B/
42 2A/2B/7A/7B/8A/8B)

43 Next, the offgas is heated using an HEPA Electric Heaters (HOP-HTR-00001B/2A/5A/5B) to a
44 temperature above the gas streams dew point and then passed through dual set of HEPA Filters
45 (HOP-HEPA-00001A/1B/2A/2B/7A/7B/8A/8B) to provide high-efficiency submicron removal.

1 The offgas is heated to avoid condensation in the HEPA Filters. When the differential pressure
2 drop across the filters becomes too high, they will be remotely changed out. The system is
3 composed of two parallel HEME/Electric Heater/HEPA Filter trains. The offgas passes through
4 one train while the other remains available as an installed backup.

5 6 Maintenance Ventilation Bypass

7 A maintenance bypass will also be installed, allowing the Melter offgas to bypass the Film
8 Cooler (HOP-FCLR-00001/2), the Submerged Bed Scrubber (HOP-SCB-00001/2), and the Wet
9 Electrostatic Precipitator (HOP-WESP-00001/2). The bypass line would feed into the
10 HEME/HEPA filtration and other gas cleaning steps. Prior to initiating use of the maintenance
11 ventilation line, waste feed would be secured, and the melter placed into an idle condition. No
12 waste feed would be fed to the affected melter when the maintenance ventilation line is in use.
13 The *Description of HLW Vitrification Bypass Events*, 24590-HLW-PER-PER-03-001, provides
14 additional information on HLW bypass events.

15 16 **4.1.4.3.2 Secondary Offgas Treatment System (HOP)**

17 Figure 4A-29 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the secondary offgas treatment
18 system (HOP). There is one secondary offgas treatment train for each HLW Melter. The
19 combined primary offgas stream and vessel ventilation offgas stream is discharged to the
20 secondary offgas treatment system. The secondary offgas system will treat the combined offgas
21 to a level protective of human health and the environment. Specifically, the secondary offgas
22 treatment system will remove radioactive iodine, volatile organic compounds, and acid gases, as
23 required, to meet the facility's air discharge requirements. The secondary offgas treatment
24 system consists of the following miscellaneous treatment sub-systems:

- 25
- 26 • Activated Carbon Columns (HOP-ADBR-00001A/1B/2A/2B)
- 27 • Silver Mordenite Columns (HOP-ABS-00002/3)
- 28 • Offgas Organic Oxidizers (HOP-SCO-00001/4)
- 29 • NO_x Selective Catalytic Reduction Units (HOP-SCR-00001/2)
- 30 • Heat Exchangers (HOP-HX-00001/2/3/4)
- 31 • Booster Fans (HOP-FAN-00001A/1B/1C/9A/9B/9C)
- 32 • Stack Fans (HOP-FAN-00008A/8B/8C/10A/10B/10C)
- 33 • HLW stack.

34 35 Activated Carbon Column (HOP-ADBR-00001A/1B/2A/2B)

36 The Activated Carbon Column miscellaneous treatment sub-system removes volatile mercury
37 from the offgas. The activated carbon column will contain a total of four beds (two per Melter).
38 The offgas normally flows through both beds in series. When gaseous mercury is detected
39 breaking through the leading bed, the offgas flow is manually changed to make the trailing bed
40 the leading bed, and only one column is used while the exhausted bed is removed and replaced.
41 The flow is then changed to make the fresh bed the trailing bed.

1 The activated carbon particles are batch loaded into the bed by gravity. The spent activated
2 carbon is batch removed by gravity and a pneumatic conveyor for collection in containers. A
3 water fire suppression system is included as a precaution against activated carbon fires.
4

5 Silver Mordenite Columns (HOP-ABS-00002/3)

6 Two Silver Mordenite Column miscellaneous treatment sub-systems (one for each Melter) will
7 be located in the HLW vitrification plant. The Silver Mordenite Columns will be used to remove
8 gaseous radioactive iodine (I-129) and other gaseous halogens, such as fluorine and chlorine.
9 The Silver Mordenite Columns (HOP-ABS-00002/3) will consist of approximately 36 silver
10 mordenite adsorbers mounted in a bank configuration to a mounting frame within a housing.
11 Offgas will enter the upper (or inlet) plenum of each Silver Mordenite Column, flow in parallel
12 through the adsorbers to the lower (or exit) plenum, pass through a replaceable roughing filter,
13 and exit. The columns' design will allow manual removal and replacement of adsorbers.
14 Adsorbers will be sized to fit into standard 55 gallon waste drums for disposal.
15

16 The silver mordenite adsorbers are essentially cartridges filled with silver mordenite. Silver
17 mordenite is a silver zeolite adsorption media in the form of cylindrical pellets. Halogens will
18 react with the silver in the bed and become trapped within the matrix. Halogens are not loaded
19 uniformly within the Silver Mordenite Adsorber cartridges. Adsorption reactions occur within
20 an action zone (or mass transfer zone) that varies in length depending on the temperature of the
21 bed and the gas velocity through the bed. Halogens will begin loading at the beginning of the
22 silver mordenite beds and progressively load the silver through the column until breakthrough is
23 reached at the end of the column. Once halogen breakthrough occurs or a predetermined lifespan
24 is reached, the silver mordenite adsorbers will require replacement.
25

26 Offgas Organic Oxidizer (HOP-SCO-00001/4) and NO_x Selective Catalytic Reducer
27 (HOP-SCR-00001/2)

28 A catalyst skid-mounted unit with a combined Offgas Organic Oxidizers (HOP-SCO-00001/4)
29 and a NO_x Selective Catalytic Reducers (HOP-SCR-00001/2) miscellaneous treatment
30 sub-systems will be used to remove products of incomplete combustion; volatile organics
31 compounds, carbon monoxide, and nitrogen oxide compounds in the offgas stream, and possibly
32 acid gases (depending on the halogenated volatile organic compound present in the stream).
33

34 The offgas is first treated in the Offgas Organic Oxidizers (HOP-SCO-00001/4) where organic
35 compounds, carbon monoxide, and possibly acid gases are oxidized to carbon dioxide and water
36 vapor. These reactions are exothermic. The Offgas Organic Oxidizer operates at a temperature
37 low enough to prevent the formation of additional nitrogen oxides.
38

39 After the Offgas Organic Oxidizers (HOP-SCO-00001/4), the offgas is heated through a plate
40 heat exchanger and an electric heater to bring the offgas up to the operational temperature of the
41 NO_x Selective Catalytic Reducers (HOP-SCR-00001/2).
42

43 The heated offgas enters the NO_x Selective Catalytic Reducers (HOP-SCR-00001/2), where
44 ammonia is injected through an atomized spray and allowed to mix with the offgas. The
45 nitrogen oxides are reduced by the ammonia to nitrogen gas and water. Two sets of NO_x

1 Selective Catalytic Reducers (HOP-SCR-00001/2) are arranged in series. The offgas is treated
2 through the first of the NO_x Selective Catalytic Reducer (HOP-SCR-00001). After the first NO_x
3 Selective Catalytic Reducer (HOP-SCR-00001), more ammonia is injected into the offgas to
4 allow further conversion in the second NO_x Selective Catalytic Reducer (HOP-SCR-00002).
5 The reduction reaction is also exothermic, significantly increasing the offgas temperature. The
6 hot offgas is the heating media for the heat exchanger discussed above. The cooled offgas
7 stream is then directed to the Caustic Scrubber for acid gas removal and final cooling.

8 9 **4.1.4.4 Process Vessel Vent System (PVV)**

10 The process vessel vent system consists of offgas pipe. This miscellaneous treatment sub-system
11 equipment prevents migration of waste contaminants into the process cells and potentially
12 operating areas. It does this by maintaining the various HLW process vessels under a slight
13 vacuum relative to the cell. The composition of the ventilation air is expected to be primarily air
14 with slight mixed waste particulate contamination.

15
16 The vessel ventilation air is combined with the melter offgas prior to entering the primary offgas
17 system high-efficiency mist eliminators. The combined air streams are treated together in the
18 remaining sections of the primary and secondary offgas treatment systems. A pressure control
19 valve is used to regulate the pressure between the vessel ventilation offgas system and the melter
20 offgas system.

21 22 **4.1.4.5 HLW Pulse Jet Ventilation System (PJV)**

23 The PJV system consists of the following miscellaneous treatment sub-systems:

- 24
- 25 • HEPA Filters (PJV-HEPA-00004A/4B/5A/5B)
- 26 • Electric Heaters (PJV-HTR-00002)
- 27 • Pulse Jet Fans (PJV-FAN-00002A/B)

28
29 Gaseous emissions are produced by pulse jet mixers and reverse flow diverters that are used to
30 mix and move wastes in the HLW vitrification plant. The exhausts from reverse flow diverters
31 and pulse jet mixers throughout the HLW vitrification plant are collected in the pulse ventilation
32 system headers. This exhaust is potentially contaminated with aerosols and particulates. Electric
33 Heaters (PJV-HTR-00002) eliminate liquid aerosols and reduce the relative humidity of the gas
34 stream, as necessary, before it encounters the system HEPA Filters (PJV-HEPA-00004A/4B/5A/
35 5B). The gas is passed through HEPA Filters to remove particulates that may be present. When
36 the differential pressure drop, they will be remotely changed out.

37 38 **4.1.4.6 Radioactive Liquid Waste Disposal System (RLD)**

39 Figure 4A-31 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the radioactive liquid waste disposal
40 system (RLD). The primary functions of the RLD tank system are to receive, store, and transfer
41 various effluents from different HLW treatment systems. Various operations, such as
42 neutralization, mixing, and sampling of the waste, are performed by these systems as required.

1
2 The RLD system contains three tanks located in the HLW vitrification plant wet process cell:
3

- 4 • Acidic Waste Vessel (RLD-VSL-00007)
- 5 • Plant Wash and Drains Vessel (RLD-VSL-00008)
- 6 • Offgas Drains Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00002)

7
8 The RLD system receives mixed waste effluent from the HOP system, the HLW canister
9 decontamination handling system (HDH), and periodic plant and vessel washes within the HLW
10 vitrification plant.

11
12 These effluents include the following:

- 13
- 14 • Purge liquid from the Submerged Bed Scrubbers (HOP-SCB-00001/2)
- 15 • Drains from the Wet Electrostatic Precipitators (HOP-WESP-00001/2)
- 16 • Drains from the High-Efficiency Mist Eliminators (HOP-HEME-00001A/1B/2A/2B)
- 17 • Various plant and vessel washes and sump water
- 18 • Miscellaneous mixed waste streams, including vessel vent, bulge, and cabinet drains and
19 canister decontamination effluents

20
21 Acidic Waste Vessel (RLD-VSL-00007)

22 This vessel collects liquid from the Submerged Bed Scrubber (HOP-SCB-00001/2) and the SBS
23 Condensate Receiver Vessel (HOP-VSL-00903/4). The collected liquid waste consists of
24 submerged bed scrubber purge, wet electrostatic precipitator drain, and high-efficiency mist
25 eliminator drain. Sampling will be performed by an automated sample system to characterize the
26 liquid waste. The contents are transferred to the PWD system in the pretreatment plant for
27 treatment, as required.

28
29 Plant Wash and Drains Vessel (RLD-VSL-00008)

30 This vessel collects drains from vessels, sumps, and plant washes within the HLW vitrification
31 plant, including wash water from cell floors, equipment exterior surfaces, stainless steel
32 cladding, and bulges. This vessel also collects the C3 area fire water. Sampling will be
33 performed by an automated sample system to characterize the liquid waste. The contents are
34 transferred to the PWD system in the pretreatment plant for treatment, as required.

35
36 Offgas Drains Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00002)

37 This vessel receives condensate from the HOP pipes and PJV drains downstream from the High-
38 Efficiency Mist Eliminator (HOP-HEME-00001A/1B/2A/2B) during off-normal operation. The
39 contents are transferred to the Plant Wash and Drains Vessel (RLD-VSL-00008) in the HLW
40 vitrification plant for processing.

1 **4.1.4.7 IHLW Glass Canister Handling Process**

2 The IHLW glass canister handling will consist of the following systems:

- 3
- 4 • HLW canister receipt handling system (HRH)
 - 5 • HLW canister pour handling system (HPH)
 - 6 • HLW canister decontamination handling system (HDH)
 - 7 • HLW canister export handling system (HEH)
- 8

9 The individual systems and their primary functions are described below:

10

11 HLW Canister Receipt Handling System (HRH)

12 The HRH system consists of the equipment, controls, and interlocks required for importing a
13 clean canister into the plant. This system consists of the canister import truck bay, the canister
14 import room, and the canister import tunnel. These areas are located on the south side of the
15 plant.

16

17 The sequence of operations and the equipment used for canister import are as follows:

- 18
- 19 • The shipping crates are unloaded from the transport truck with the canister import crane and
20 placed in the staging area.
 - 21 • The canisters are then individually removed from the shipping crate and set on the canister
22 inspection/rotation table.
 - 23 • The canister import room roller shutter door is opened and the canister inspection/rotation
24 table rotates the canister to vertical. The canister import monorail hoist and grapple lift and
25 transfer the canister to the canister import room. The canister is either set in the canister
26 import buffer rack or placed in the canister import bogie. When the canister is transferred to
27 the canister import tunnel, the shielded clean canister import hatch is opened and the canister
28 is lowered into the canister import bogie below, and the hatch is closed and sealed.
 - 29 • The canister import bogie is transferred under the canister handling cave to the shielded
30 canister handling cave import hatch location. The canister handling cave hatch is then
31 opened and the canister handling cave crane and grapple raises the canister into the canister
32 handling cave. The canister handling cave import hatch is closed and the canister import
33 bogie is returned to under the clean canister import hatch.
- 34

35 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and/or interlocks will be provided for the HRH system as
36 follows:

- 37
- 38 • Sealed hatch will be interlocked with canister import room roller shutter door preventing
39 backflow of C3 air into canister import room or truck bay
 - 40 • Prevent rotation/inspection table from rotating when roller shutter door is closed
 - 41 • The HRH system will be designed such that only one door or hatch will be open at any one
42 time

- 1 • Gamma interlock will be provided to prevent shielded personnel access door in canister
2 import tunnel from being opened when radiation/contamination levels exceed limits or if the
3 canister handling cave import hatch is open
- 4 • Gamma interlock will be provided to prevent clean canister import hatch in the canister
5 import room from being opened when radiation/contamination levels exceed limits or if the
6 canister handling cave import hatch is open

7
8 HLW Canister Pour Handling System (HPH)

9 The primary functions of the HPH system are to transport empty product canisters and full
10 HLW canisters within the plant and perform product canister sampling, canister closure, and
11 canister rework activities. The HPH system includes the canister handling cave, which includes
12 two weld stations. The crane decontamination and crane maintenance areas are also part of the
13 HPH system, located west of the canister handling cave. Pour tunnels no. 1 and no. 2, which
14 include the bogie decontamination and maintenance areas, are also part of this system.

15
16 The primary functions of this system are to provide equipment to the transport canister, provide
17 equipment for decontamination and maintenance, and provide equipment for remote viewing.

18
19 The primary functions of the canister handling cave are as follows:

- 20
- 21 • Receive canister from HRH system canister receipt handling
- 22 • Transport empty canister to import racks
- 23 • Transfer empty canister to pour tunnel 1 or 2
- 24 • Receive full canister from pour tunnel 1 or 2
- 25 • Transport full canister to cooling rack
- 26 • Transport canister to weld station
- 27 • Transfer canister to HDH system canister decontamination handling
- 28 • Provide equipment for canister import and buffer store

29
30 This section describes activities that will be performed in HLW pour tunnel no. 1 (H-B032) and
31 pour tunnel no. 2 (H-B005A).

32
33 Pour Tunnel

34 The pour tunnels are at the -21 ft level and extend from north-south beneath the south end of the
35 melter cave to an area below the canister handling cave. Bogie decontamination is performed in
36 the tunnels, and bogie maintenance areas are provided in a designated shielded area at the south
37 end of the tunnels. The tunnels will have a hatch that segregates the pour tunnels and the
38 canister handling cave. The tunnels will also have a bogie maintenance shield door. The bogie
39 maintenance area has a shield personnel access door and a roof access plug from the corridor
40 above. The pour tunnels are designated as C5 areas.

1 When a canister is required for filling, it is taken out of the buffer rack in the canister handling
2 cave using the canister handling cave crane and transferred above the appropriate pour tunnel
3 hatch. The hatch is opened and the canister handling cave crane loads the empty canister onto
4 the pour tunnel bogie. The bogie travels north to the pouring position. The canister is positioned
5 below the pour spout, connected to the canister flange, and the canister is filled with glass.
6

7 After completion of filling, the canister remains at the pour spout for approximately one hour to
8 allow a "skin" to form over the glass that provides a seal to prevent additional offgassing. The
9 filled canister is allowed to cool prior to removal from the pour tunnel. After cooling, the
10 canister is moved south in the pour tunnel until it is beneath the canister handling cave hatch.
11 The hatch is opened, the canister handling cave crane removes the full canister, and the hatch is
12 closed. The filled canister is then cooled in cooling racks in preparation for welding the lid in
13 place.
14

15 Canister Transport

16 The HPH system supports both HLW Melters (HMP-MLTR-00001/2). Canisters are transported
17 within the canister handling cave by means of an overhead crane. A standby crane is available in
18 the event of the primary overhead crane failure. Viewing windows and camera are provided for
19 viewing of equipment and operations within the cave area. Integrated networks of
20 programmable logic controllers, which form part of the process control system, are used to
21 control the mechanical handling.
22

23 Clean canisters are transferred from the HRH system to the HPH system through the canister
24 import tunnel hatch. The hatch opens and the handling cave crane raises the canister into the
25 canister handling cave. The hatch is closed and the canister is taken to the buffer storage area
26 racks. When a canister is required for filling, it is taken out of the buffer rack using the canister
27 handling cave crane and transferred above the appropriate pour tunnel hatch. The hatch is
28 opened and the canister is lowered into the pour tunnel bogie below. The grapple is released and
29 raised and the hatch is closed. The bogie travels to a position under the pour spout. As the bogie
30 moves into position under the pour spout, the pour spout glass catch tray is pushed back and
31 signals that a canister is present. A proximity switch detects that the bogie is in position, the
32 bogie is then locked into position, and the canister is filled with glass. Canister filling is
33 controlled and monitored by the canister level detection system (system HMP melter process).
34 After the canister is filled with glass, the crane located above the hatch transfers the filled
35 canister to the cooling rack where it is allowed to cool. After cooling, a crane transfers the
36 canister for lid welding, sampling of glass, and/or rework. The canister is lowered into the
37 welding station table and the grapple released from the canister. After the welding station
38 operations, the crane transfers the canister to the buffer storage racks or to the decontamination
39 system rinse bogie, via the decontamination hatch.
40

41 The canister handling cave is classified as a C5 area; therefore, activities in the handling cave
42 will be conducted remotely. This will be accomplished with viewing windows, cameras,
43 manipulators, and overhead cranes. Windows are strategically located above the transfer hatches
44 for viewing the canisters as they are raised and lowered. The crane decontamination area is
45 located on the west end of the canister handling cave. The decontamination area is classified as a

1 C3/C5 area. The crane maintenance area is located west of the crane decontamination area. The
2 crane maintenance area is classified as a C3 area.

3
4 Canister Weld, Glass Sampling, and Rework

5 The following system supports both HLW Melters (HMP-MLTR-00001/2). The canister lid
6 welding, glass sampling, canister inspections, and rework will be performed at one of two
7 welding stations located along the south wall of the canister handling cave. Each station is
8 located next to a shield window. Master-slave manipulators, closed circuit television, and lights
9 are provided to assist weld station operations.

10
11 After the canister is cooled in the canister handling cave, the overhead crane moves the canister
12 from the cooling rack into a port on the welding table. The canister is weighed and confirmed to
13 be below the maximum allowable weight. While the canister is being lowered, cameras inspect
14 the outside of the canister. Typically, glass waste residue is not expected on the exterior of the
15 canister. However, prior to welding the lid on the canister, the canister is inspected. If glass is
16 found on the canister, the glass will be removed using a needle descaler manually operated with
17 the master-slave manipulator. A vacuum system will be used to capture the removed glass and
18 prevent the spread of debris. The canister is then checked to confirm that its temperature is
19 within the allowable range for welding. This is done using a thermocouple at the weld station.
20 Glass samples are collected using a master-slave manipulator-operated glass sampling tool that
21 uses a vacuum to draw shards of glass from the top surface. These shards are then transferred
22 into sample vials and transferred to the laboratory using a pneumatic transfer system.

23
24 The lid is placed on the canister and welding is performed using an automated welder. The
25 welding parameters are recorded in the plant tracking system. The finished weld is visually
26 inspected using in-cave inspection cameras. Rejected welds may be repaired by re-melting the
27 weld, mechanically removing the weld and re-welding, or welding a secondary lid over the
28 primary lid. The sealed canister is then transferred to the HDH system.

29
30 Instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks will be provided for the HLW canister handling
31 system to indicate or prevent the following conditions:

- 32
- 33 • The crane decontamination shield doors are interlocked with the crane maintenance shield
34 door to prevent both sets of doors from being open simultaneously.
 - 35 • Interlocks will prevent the inadvertent access of personnel or equipment movement
 - 36 • The bogie maintenance shield door is interlocked with the shielded personnel access door to
37 ensure that personnel do not enter the bogie maintenance area when the bogie maintenance
38 shield door is open.
 - 39 • Radiation monitoring equipment is interlocked to the shielded personnel access door to
40 ensure no personnel are able to access the maintenance area if a radiation/contamination
41 source above prescribed limits is present.
- 42

1 HLW Canister Decontamination Handling System (HDH)

2 Figure 4A-30 presents a simplified process flow diagram of the HLW canister decontamination
3 handling system (HDH). The primary function of this system is to decontaminate the IHLW
4 canisters and to swab and monitor IHLW canisters.

5
6 The HDH system includes the process and equipment to perform the cerium nitrate canister
7 decontamination process, surface swabbing, and swab monitoring process. The following
8 vessels and their associated ancillary equipment are included in the HDH system:

- 9
10 • Rinse Tunnel Canister Rinse Vessel (HDH-VSL-00001)
11 • Waste Neutralization Vessel (HDH-VSL-00003)
12 • Canister Decon Vessels (HDH-VSL-00002/4)

13
14 The HDH system consists of a canister rinse tunnel, canister decontamination station, swabbing
15 and monitoring station, bogie maintenance areas, crane maintenance area, and canister transfer
16 tunnel. The decontamination system consists of two stations: the decontamination station, which
17 is located in-cave, and a mixing station, which is located out-cave. Vertical separation between
18 the stations facilitates gravity flow of process solutions from the mixing station to the Canister
19 Decon Vessels (HDH-VSL-00002/4). Beneath the canister decon cave is a canister rinse tunnel
20 and a canister storage transfer tunnel. The canister rinse tunnel houses the canister rinse bogie,
21 which transfers the canister from the canister handling cave to the canister decon cave while
22 performing a prewash at an intermediate station. The canister storage transfer tunnel houses the
23 canister storage transfer bogie, which transfers the decontaminated canisters from the canister
24 decon cave to the canister export cave.

25
26 A filled, cooled, and welded IHLW canister is initially transported to the HDH system via a
27 crane located in the canister handling cave. The IHLW canister is loaded into the canister rinse
28 bogie and washed in a sealed vessel using low-pressure demineralized water to remove loose
29 contamination. This water wash is performed in the Canister Rinse Bogie Decon Vessel
30 (HDH-VSL-00001) mounted on the canister rinse bogie, which travels from below the canister
31 handling cave to below the canister decon cave. After the water wash, the canister is transferred
32 by a crane to the canister decon vessel for further decontamination by chemically etching a thin
33 layer of stainless steel from the canister surface, using cerium ion in a dilute nitric acid. The
34 canister is then washed with nitric acid, followed by a second washing with de-mineralized
35 water. After draining de-mineralized water from the Canister Decon Vessel
36 (HDH-VSL-00002/4), the canister remains in the vessel to dry. The decontamination fluids are
37 pumped into a Waste Neutralization Vessel (HDH-VSL-00003) to which hydrogen peroxide is
38 added to neutralize remaining cerium ion. Following neutralization, the fluid is transferred to the
39 plant waste stream, or recycled back into the HLW Melters via the pretreatment plant. The
40 decontaminated canister is transported by overhead crane to the canister swabbing and
41 monitoring area.

42
43 After decontamination and drying, the canister is swabbed using an automated power
44 manipulator. If the contamination is below acceptable limits, the IHLW canister is placed into a

1 canister storage transfer bogie located below the canister decon cave floor, and transported to the
2 HLW canister export handling system.

3
4 In addition to the instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks addressed in section 4.1.4, the
5 following will be provided in for the HDH system to indicate or prevent the following
6 conditions:

- 7
8 • Interlocks will be provided on bogie decontamination/maintenance area shield door to protect
9 plant personnel from radiation and contamination exposure.
10 • Interlocks will be provided on crane maintenance area shield door to protect plant personnel
11 from contamination exposure.

12
13 HLW Canister Export Handling System (HEH)

14 The primary functions of this system are to store filled IHLW canisters in racks, transfer the
15 IHLW canisters into the canister export cave, load the IHLW canisters into product casks,
16 evaluate product casks for contamination, and load IHLW product casks into transport vehicles.
17 The HEH system consists of a canister export cave, a cask handling tunnel, a cask loading area,
18 and a truck bay, and is equipped to support both HLW Melter (HMP-MLTR-00001/2).

19
20 Decontaminated IHLW canisters are transferred to the canister export cave from the HDH
21 system using a bogie and an overhead crane and placed in the canister storage racks. When a
22 IHLW canister is ready for exporting to an appropriate Hanford Site TSD unit, a dedicated
23 transport vehicle is dispatched to the IHLW truck bay. The empty product cask is removed from
24 the vehicle and placed on a cask transfer bogie located in the cask handling tunnel. The bogie
25 transfers the cask to a lid lifting station where the lid is removed, and then to a canister receiving
26 station. The IHLW canister is visually inspected in the canister storage cave and its
27 identification confirmed. After the inspection information is recorded, the canister is lifted by
28 overhead crane and placed into the product cask. The bogie then returns the cask to the lid
29 lifting station where the lid is replaced and bolted. The product cask is then transferred to the
30 export station where the cask is lifted by an overhead crane and placed on the transport vehicle.
31 Swab samples are taken, and when the cask exterior is verified to be below the acceptable
32 radioactive contamination level, the cask is transported to a Hanford Site storage facility.

33
34 Closed circuit television cameras will provide general viewing of the canisters and the storage
35 area. Descriptions of inspections of IHLW canister storage areas are included in Chapter 6 of
36 this permit. An IHLW canister tracking system will retain required information such as the
37 IHLW identification number, weight, and dimensions of the IHLW canisters.

38
39 In addition to the instrumentation, alarms, controls, and interlocks addressed in section 4.1.4, the
40 following will be provided for the HEH to indicate or prevent the following conditions:

- 41
42 • Interlocks to prevent the canister storage cave import hatch and the canister storage cave
43 export hatch from being open at the same time

- 1 • Gamma monitoring and keyed interlocks to prevent the cask export hatch from opening when
2 high radiation levels exist
- 3 • Interlock to prevent the canister storage cave export hatch from being open at the same time
4 as the cask export hatch
- 5 • Gamma detectors/interlock to prevent cask handling bogie travel to the cask export hatch
6 unless the cask lid is properly installed
- 7 • Interlock to prevent both truck bay "exit" and "entrance" (external) roller shutter doors from
8 being open at the same time
- 9 • Interlock to prevent the truck bay inner roller shutter door from being open at the same time
10 as either of the "exit" or "entrance" roller shutter doors
- 11 • The shielded personnel access door in the canister export cave crane maintenance area is
12 interlocked with the canister export cave crane maintenance horizontal and vertical shield
13 door. The shielded personnel access door is also interlocked with a gamma monitor to
14 prevent opening when a source is present.
- 15 • The canister export cave import hatch is interlocked to prevent opening unless the following
16 conditions are satisfied. The canister export cave export hatch is closed. The crane
17 maintenance area shield horizontal and vertical shield doors are closed. The decontamination
18 cave export hatch is closed. The canister storage transfer bogie is in position under the
19 canister export cave import hatch.
- 20 • The canister export cave export hatch is interlocked to prevent opening until the following
21 conditions are satisfied. The canister export cave import hatch is closed. The cask export
22 hatch is closed. The cask handling bogie is under the canister export cave export hatch. The
23 cask handling tunnel shielded personnel access door is closed.
- 24 • The process crane is prevented from striking the crane maintenance area shield door by end
25 of travel and over-travel limit switches.

26 27 **4.1.4.8 HLW Melter Cave Mechanical Systems**

28 Each HLW melter cave mechanical system will consist of the following individual systems:
29

- 30 • HLW melter handling system (HMH)
- 31 • HLW melter cave support handling system (HSH)

32
33 The individual systems and their primary functions are described below:
34

35 HLW Melter Handling System (HMH)

36 The primary function of the following system is identical for both Melters (HMP-MLTR-00001/
37 2). The HMH system provides the equipment and controls necessary to:
38

- 39 • Transport new melter units into the HLW melter cave in conjunction with the HSH system
- 40 • Remove spent melter units from the HLW melter cave
- 41 • Decontaminate and monitor the spent melter overpacks

1
2 A multi-axle transporter will be used to move a new overpacked HLW Melter to the HLW
3 vitrification plant loading dock. The overpacked melter will be offloaded, transferred through
4 the rollup doors to the melter cave airlock, transferred through the airlock, and docked to the
5 melter cave shield door. After opening the shield and overpack doors, the melter will be moved
6 out of its overpack and installed in the melter cave.

7
8 The process of removing a spent HLW Melter from a cave and loading it back into its overpack
9 is the reverse of the installation. The overpack will provide a shielded disposal/storage container
10 for the spent melter. After the outside surfaces of the overpack have been checked for
11 radiological contamination and decontaminated as required, the spent melter and its overpack
12 will be moved through the melter airlock through the rollup doors and placed on the transporter,
13 to be moved out of the HLW vitrification plant.

14
15 Decontamination of the overpack in the C3/C5 airlock, before it is exported, will be performed
16 manually using moist cloths. The HLW Melter overpack's primary function is to serve as a
17 shielded, box-like enclosure for the storage, transport, and disposal of the HLW Melter. The
18 overpack performs a radiological shielding function of the highly radioactive spent HLW Melter.
19 Due to the high radiation levels associated with a spent HLW Melter, the walls on all sides of the
20 HLW Melter overpack will be seal-welded and have a nominal thickness of approximately 8 in.
21 of carbon steel. The estimated weight of the HLW Melter overpack is 250 tons with an empty
22 melter, and 350 tons when carrying a payload of the HLW Melter full of glass. The spent Melter
23 weight when full of glass is a worst case in the event that the residual glass removal described in
24 section 4.1.4.7 cannot be performed. After 3 to 5 years of service, an HLW Melter is expected to
25 reach the end of useful life service, and will be placed in the overpack before removing it from
26 the HLW vitrification plant. The overpack, with the spent HLW Melter inside, will be moved to
27 the HLW failed melter storage facility prior to land disposal. The overpack will be disposed at
28 the Hanford Site if it meets the low-level waste definition and the land disposal facility waste
29 acceptance criteria.

30
31 Justification for on-site burial of the 8 in. carbon steel overpack results from a corrosion study of
32 submarine reactors based on chemical content, resistivity, aeration, and burial methods. The
33 predicted maximum pitting corrosion penetration for a 100-year period was 0.350 in. for reactors
34 buried in geologic conditions similar to those in which the overpacks will be buried. (*Prediction*
35 *of Pitting Corrosion Performance of Submarine Reactor Compartments After Burial at Trench*
36 *94, Hanford, Washington, March 1992*).
37

1 Prior to disposal, the spent Melter will be stored in the failed melter storage facility. If a Melter
2 fails to meet the receiving TSD waste acceptance criteria, it will be stored until the HLW
3 vitrification plant operating conditions are suitable for the spent melter to be returned to the
4 melter cave for further decontamination, treatment, repackaging, and/or other process to enable
5 the spent melter to meet the receiving facility's waste acceptance criteria.

6
7 HLW Melter Cave Support Handling System (HSH)

8 The primary function of this system is to provide remotely operated equipment to perform these
9 support activities in each melter cave:

- 10
11 • Melter maintenance and replacement
12 • Melter component and consumable maintenance and replacement
13 • Melter component and consumable dismantling, sorting, and loading
14 • Equipment decontamination and hands-on maintenance

15
16 Decontamination Tanks (HSH-TK-00001/2) and associated ancillary equipment are included in
17 the HSH system.

18
19 Each melter cave will contain an HLW Melter (HMP-MLTR-00001/2), Feed Preparation Vessels
20 (HFP-VSL-00001/5), and HLW Melter Feed Vessels (HFP-VSL-00002/6), and the following
21 offgas system components:

- 22
23 • Film Coolers (HOP-FCLR-00001/2)
24 • Submerged Bed Scrubbers (HOP-SCB-00001/2)
25 • High-Efficiency Mist Eliminators (HOP-HEME-00001A/1B/2A/2B)

26
27 Overhead cranes, hoists, and master-slave and power manipulators will be the primary
28 equipment used to carry out various replacement, size reduction, and packaging tasks. Auxiliary
29 tools will include impact wrenches, nut-runners, and hydraulic shears.

30
31 In addition, the HSH system will provide the means to dismantle and reduce the size of spent
32 melter components or consumables for export out of the cave in waste containers. Various size
33 reduction tools will be used to cut down the equipment. The waste will be placed on a sorting
34 table for screening and segregation prior to packaging and export.

35
36 Prior to Melter replacement, residual glass will normally be removed from a spent Melter. Lid
37 heaters will keep the glass pool at the desired temperature ranges. Air and vacuum lines will be
38 inserted to draw the molten glass into a canister. The spent Melter will then be disconnected and
39 prepared for transport out of the cave.

40
41 A consumable bucket, equipped with interchangeable lid cutouts called templates, will be used to
42 import and export melter consumables. The HFP vessels will be organized such that power

1 manipulators can disconnect connections and prepare failed vessels and components for export.
2 Components of the HOP system found in this cave will also be organized for similar activities.
3

4 The HSH system will provide a Decontamination Tank (HSH-TK-00001/2) in the equipment
5 decontamination area, to allow for decontamination of consumables and equipment before
6 hands-on maintenance in the crane maintenance area. In the decontamination tank, the
7 equipment will be soaked in demineralized water and/or nitric acid. The equipment
8 decontamination area will be used to additionally decontaminate equipment using manipulators
9 before items can be removed for hands-on maintenance. A crane decontamination area is located
10 above the C3/C5 airlock.
11

12 4.1.4.9 HLW Filter Handling System (HFH)

13 The filter cave is at grade level west of the melter cave 2. The walls, ceiling, and floor of the
14 filter cave are of reinforced concrete. The filter cave contains the spent filter export hatch, which
15 interfaces with the drum transfer tunnel. Gross decontamination of filter cave equipment will be
16 performed here. The filter cave also contains a pair of shield doors at the interface between the
17 filter cave and the maintenance area. The shield doors provide the barrier between the filter cave
18 and the man-accessed maintenance area. The filter cave is designated as a C5 area.
19

20 The C5 filter system in the filter cave will consist of three two-stage HEPA housings (one for
21 melter cave no. 1, another for melter cave no. 2, and one for the canister handling cave and the
22 filter cave itself). In addition, there will be two HEPA filter housings for each melter offgas and
23 PJV systems.
24

25 The filter housings will be of stainless steel. The filter lids will be flush with a stainless steel
26 clad false floor (filter cave deck) that covers the entire cave at 14 ft elevation. The following
27 equipment will be used for replacement of HEPA Filters and with other in-cave activities.
28

- 29 • Filter compactor
- 30 • Power manipulators
- 31 • Crane and cable reeling system
- 32 • Spent filter export hatch

33 34 4.1.4.10 Radioactive Solid Waste Handling System (RWH)

35 The following system supports both HLW Melters (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) and the HLW filter
36 cave. The primary functions are to:
37

- 38 • Provide containers for removal of miscellaneous solid waste from the HLW melter cave and
39 filter cave
- 40 • Transport filled and empty waste containers
- 41 • Provide external radiological monitoring of waste containers

- 1 • Decontaminate waste containers as required
- 2 • Supply and load waste containers into transport casks

3
4 The RWH system consists of three major operational areas: the drum transfer tunnel, the
5 swabbing and monitoring area, and the cask handling area. Mixed waste is generated in melter
6 caves 1 and 2, the canister handling cave, and the filter cave. Mixed waste generated in the
7 canister handling cave is transferred to either melter cave via the pour tunnels and then exported
8 from the melter caves to the drum transfer tunnel. The drum transfer tunnel runs beneath these
9 areas and provides a common area for receipt of waste to consolidate the separate waste streams
10 into a single export path. The RSW system receives waste from the HSH system (melter caves 1
11 and 2) and the HFH system (filter cave) contained in lidded waste baskets that are lowered
12 through the transfer ports in the ceiling of the drum transfer tunnel.

13
14 The RWH system introduces empty 55-gallon drums into the HLW plant for packaging RSW for
15 disposal. Empty 55-gallon drums are placed into shielded casks in the canister export truck bay.
16 The cask is transferred on the cask transport vehicle into the cask import/export area for ultimate
17 transfer from the plant.

18
19 The cask is positioned under the monorail hoist. It is then lifted, transferred to, and positioned
20 onto the cask transfer bogie. A shield door is opened and the bogie is moved to the cask lidding
21 station. The cask lid pintle is aligned with the lifting claw of the cask lidding machine and the
22 cask lid is removed. The cask is then positioned under the cask transfer hatch. The drum, lid,
23 and clamping ring are imported into the swabbing and monitoring area and manually staged on a
24 stand in front of the shield window.

25
26 The drum transfer bogie rolls to position beneath a transfer hatch of either melter cave no. 1,
27 melter cave no. 2, or the filter cave. With the drum positioned under the selected cave transfer
28 port, a loaded waste basket is lowered into the drum by the interfacing cave system's crane and
29 grapple. With the basket located in the drum, the grapple is detached and raised by the system
30 crane. The full 55-gallon drum is relocated back to the position under the drum transfer hatch to
31 the swab and monitoring area. The drum is lifted into the swab and monitoring area using the
32 overhead crane and drum grapple.

33
34 The RWH system transports loaded drums into the lidding, swabbing, and monitoring area for
35 lidding, swabbing, external monitoring, and decontamination (if required). The system then
36 exports the filled 55-gallon drums through the import/export area.

37
38 The following operations are performed:

- 39
40 • The crane lifts the drum to the swabbing and monitoring station. Two master-slave
41 manipulators will be mounted on the wall of the swabbing and monitoring area and will
42 provide the operator interface for installation of the drum outer lid and clamping ring while
43 the drum is positioned on the drum turntable.

- 1 • The robotic swabbing arm and turntable swab the surface of the drum. The swabs are placed
2 in the shielded posting of the swab analyzing station. Following preliminary measurement of
3 the swab, the posting port is actuated to move the swab into the swabbing and monitoring
4 glovebox where the sample is analyzed and bagged out for disposal.
- 5 • If the swabs are within acceptable limits, the crane lifts the drum from the drum swabbing
6 turntable and positions the drum over the cask transfer hatch and places it in the shielded
7 cask on the cask transport bogie.
- 8 • If the drum requires decontamination, additional swabbing of the drum will be performed to
9 remove the contamination. Remote-handled decontamination equipment is available in the
10 cave to be used if additional swabbing is insufficient to meet disposal requirements.
- 11 • The cask transfer bogie moves to the cask lidding station where the cask lid is replaced onto
12 the cask. The bogie then moves to a gamma monitor where radiation levels are verified
13 before the import/export shield door is opened and the cask transfer bogie moves into the
14 import/export area. Once the cask is in the import/export area and the import/export shield
15 door is closed, operators enter to bolt the lid onto the cask. The monorail then moves the
16 cask to the cask handling truck. The cask handling truck positions the cask under the truck
17 bay crane. From the cask import/export area, the crane positions the cask on a vehicle for
18 transfer from the plant.

19 20 **4.1.4.11 HLW Vitrification Plant Ventilation**

21 The HLW vitrification plant will be divided into four numbered zones listed and defined below,
22 with the higher number indicating greater radiological hazard potential and, therefore, a
23 requirement for a greater degree of control or restriction. The zoning of the ventilation system
24 will be based on the classifications assigned to building areas for potential radiological
25 contamination. Zones classified as C5 are potentially the most contaminated and include the
26 pour caves, buffer storage area, and process cells. Zones classified as C1 are uncontaminated
27 areas.

28
29 Containment will be achieved by maintaining C5 areas at the greatest negative pressure, with
30 airflows cascaded through engineered routes from C2 areas to C3 areas and on to the C5 areas.
31 The cascade system, in which air passes through more than one area, will reduce the number of
32 separate ventilation streams and, hence, the amount of air requiring treatment. Adherence to this
33 concept in the design and operation of the HLW vitrification plant will ensure that the plant air
34 does not become a significant source of exposure to operators, and that the air emissions do not
35 endanger human health or the environment.

36
37 An exhaust air radiation monitoring system, consisting of sensors to monitor radiation in the
38 exhaust air stream, or a representative sampling system is provided in the discharge header
39 downstream of the exhaust fans. A monitoring system would consist of probe assemblies,
40 vacuum pumps, a stack flow sensor, temperature sensor, and radiation sensors. A temperature
41 transmitter is also provided in the discharge header downstream of the exhaust fans for
42 continuous monitoring of exhaust air temperature.

1 C1 Ventilation System (C1V)

2 C1 areas will typically consist of offices, workshops, control rooms, and equipment rooms. They
3 will be slightly pressurized if they are adjacent to areas with higher contamination potential to
4 eliminate backflow from those areas.
5

6 C2 Ventilation System (C2V)

7 C2 areas will typically consist of operating areas, equipment rooms, stores, access corridors, and
8 plant rooms adjacent to areas with higher contamination potential. The C2V is served by
9 dedicated exhaust fans. Air supplied to the C2 areas that is not cascaded to the C3 or C5 areas is
10 discharged to the atmosphere by the exhaust fans. Both exhaust fans are provided with variable
11 frequency drives. A manual isolation damper is provided upstream of each exhaust fan, and a
12 pneumatically actuated isolation damper is provided downstream. Each damper is provided with
13 local/remote position monitoring.
14

15 C3 Ventilation System (C3V)

16 C3 areas are normally unoccupied, but allow operator access, for instance during maintenance.
17 C3 areas will typically consist of filter plant rooms, workshops, maintenance areas, and
18 monitoring areas. Air will generally be drawn from C2 areas and, wherever possible, cascaded
19 through the C3 areas into C5 areas, or alternatively exhausted from the C3 areas by the C3
20 exhaust system. In general, air cascaded into the C3 areas will be from adjacent C2/C3
21 subchange rooms. When sufficient air cannot be cascaded into C3 areas, a dedicated C2 supply
22 equipped with appropriate backflow prevention will be used.
23

24 C5 Ventilation System (C5V)

25 Where there is in-bleed air from the C3 to C5 system, fan cascade trip interlocks protect the
26 system from backflow.
27

28 The C5 areas in the HLW vitrification plant will be composed of the following:
29

- 30 • Pour caves
- 31 • Transfer tunnel
- 32 • Buffer storage area
- 33 • Process cells
34

35 Air will be cascaded into the C5 areas and exhausted by the C5 exhaust system. Engineered duct
36 entries (air in-bleeds) through the C5 confinement boundary will be protected by backflow filter
37 isolation dampers, with penetrations through the boundary sealed.
38

39 **4.1.5 Analytical Laboratory**

40 The analytical laboratory will be designed to incorporate the features and capability necessary to
41 ensure efficient WTP operations and meet permitting, process control, authorization basis, and
42 waste form qualification requirements. The design will be validated with information from tank
43 utilization modeling of the process tankage and operational research modeling of the treatment

1 process, as appropriate. Figure 4A-107 in DWP Attachment 51 provides a general layout of the
2 first floor of the WTP analytical laboratory where analytical, maintenance, administrative, and
3 waste management activities take place. The following attributes are outlined in the facility
4 design figures described above:

- 5
- 6 • Workstations have been defined as required by the sampling and analysis plan for WTP
7 process control and waste form qualification
- 8 • Capability to provide limited process technology will be provided
- 9 • Contamination controls have been incorporated for reliability of laboratory service to the
10 WTP processes
- 11 • Management of DST system samples for receipt and analysis by an outsource laboratory
- 12

13 Figures 4A-108 through 4A-117 found in DWP Attachment 51 provide additional detail for the
14 analytical laboratory:

- 15
- 16 • General arrangement figures showing locations of analytical laboratory activities
- 17 • Process flow figures for process information
- 18 • Typical system figures depicting the analytical laboratory tank systems
- 19 • Figures depicting the ventilation system
- 20

21 The WTP analytical laboratory will contain high-activity and low-activity laboratories. High-
22 activity samples will be managed in the analytical hotcell laboratory equipment system (AHL).
23 Low-activity samples will be managed and analyzed in the analytical radiological laboratory
24 equipment system (ARL) also known as the rad labs. The ARL system also includes a sample
25 management area designed to manage the inflow of manually transported samples. Most
26 samples sent to offsite laboratories will be low-activity and environmental samples. Analytical
27 methods and equipment selected to support laboratory analyses will be in accordance with
28 applicable requirements.

29

30 The second floor of the analytical laboratory will be dedicated to the mechanical room, which
31 contains the C1 and C2 air handling units. The RLD system vessels will be located at
32 approximately 19 ft below grade.

33

34 The facility will also be designed to coordinate the management of samples that will be
35 outsourced and analyzed at offsite laboratories. Outsource laboratories will be used to analyze
36 the majority of very low-activity samples such as water quality and air emission samples.
37 Outsource laboratories may also be used to analyze DST system unit characterization samples.

38

39 Samples will be transported to the analytical laboratory in two ways. The majority of samples
40 will be collected and transported from the processing facilities via the autosampling system
41 (ASX). Samples will be collected in a sample bottle or vial and transferred into a sample carrier.
42 High-activity samples from the pretreatment and HLW vitrification plants will be pneumatically
43 transferred to the hotcell sample receipt area through a dedicated transfer system for

1 high-activity samples. Low-activity samples from the LAW vitrification plant and
2 nonradioactive samples from the balance of facilities will be transferred directly to the sample
3 receipt laboratory area through a dedicated low-activity transfer system. A small percentage of
4 samples will be transported to the laboratory manually in appropriately shielded transportation
5 casks or containers.
6

7 **4.1.5.1 Analytical Radiological Laboratory Equipment System (Rad Labs)**

8 The rad labs are being designed to support the preparation and analysis of low-to-moderately
9 mixed waste samples. The rad labs also support the analyses of high-activity mixed waste plant
10 samples collected, diluted, and processed in the hotcell facility. Samples will be manually
11 transferred from the hotcell facility to the rad labs. The rad labs will be capable of receiving
12 low-to-moderate activity samples transferred from the process facilities via the ASX system as
13 well as manually transported low-to-moderate activity samples from the process facilities and
14 other DOE facilities.
15

16 The rad labs include the facilities and equipment required to support activities such as:

- 17
- 18 • Sample receipt and (manual) transport
- 19 • Dissolution/dilution
- 20 • Distillation/titration
- 21 • Standard/reagent preparation
- 22 • X-ray fluorescence spectrometry and x-ray diffraction analysis
- 23 Fourier transformation infrared spectrometry (FT-IR)
- 24 • Total inorganic analyses
- 25 • Quantitation of metals and anions
- 26 • Ultraviolet and visible spectroscopy
- 27 • Preparation of glass samples for elemental analysis
- 28 • General physical properties analysis
- 29 • Radionuclide separation and counting
- 30 • Management of outsourced samples
- 31

32 **4.1.5.2 Analytical Hotcell Laboratory Equipment System (AHL)**

33 The analytical hotcell laboratory equipment system will be designed to provide sample
34 preparation and analysis of high-activity samples collected at the WTP and other DOE facilities.
35 The hot cells will be capable of accepting samples from each of the production facilities using
36 pneumatic transport or transported manually. The samples will be transported to the hot cells or
37 to the rad labs either directly, after dilution, or after stripping off the radioactive content.
38

39 The analytical hotcell laboratories will include facilities and equipment necessary to perform
40 activities such as:

- 1
2 • Sample receipt and transport to other hot cells and the rad labs

3 General physical properties analysis

- 4 • Dilution, fusion, and acid digestion required to prepare samples for subsequent analysis
5 • Waste management activities

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7 **4.1.5.3 Autosampling System (ASX)**

8 Samples will be collected into a sample bottle or vial and then transferred into a sample carrier.
9 Sample carriers are then pneumatically transferred to either the laboratory hot cell or radiological
10 laboratory depending on where the sample was collected. The ASX system consists of
11 high-activity and low-activity sampling systems. The high-activity sampling system collects and
12 pneumatically transfers samples from the PT and HLW vitrification plants to the receipt cell
13 within the hot cell laboratory. Low-activity samples collected from low-activity waste streams
14 are pneumatically transferred directly to the radiological laboratory.

15
16 **4.1.5.4 Solid Waste Management**

17 Solid mixed and dangerous waste will be accumulated in the hot cells and periodically placed in
18 waste drums. Waste from the individual hot cells will be transferred to a waste management cell
19 where waste management, consolidation, and packaging activities are conducted. The waste cell
20 contains tools and equipment to complete size reduction. These solid mixed and dangerous
21 wastes as well as organic lab pack wastes will be transferred into waste drums prior to being
22 transferred to the laboratory waste drum management area. Ventilation flow from the hot cell
23 area, including the waste cell, will be routed to the C5 HEPA filtration system.

24
25 Solid mixed and dangerous waste and organic lab pack wastes from the rad labs and maintenance
26 areas will be accumulated in the individual labs and shops until they are transferred to the
27 laboratory waste management area for waste consolidation and volume reduction. Waste
28 consolidation will be completed in the volume reduction and lab pack rooms in the waste drum
29 management area.

30
31 Waste drums will be transferred to a permitted TSD site or low level radioactive waste facility.
32 Lab pack drums or waste drums containing liquid mixed or dangerous wastes will be managed
33 on spill pallets. The management area will be coated with a special protective coating and the
34 area will be ventilated to the C2 ventilation system. Floor drains from the waste management
35 area will flow into the Laboratory Floor Drains Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00163).

36
37 **4.1.5.5 Radioactive Dangerous Liquid Waste Disposal System (RLD)**

38 The analytical laboratory RLD system is primarily composed of the following:

- 39
40 • Floor Drain Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00163)
41 • Laboratory Area Sink Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00164)

- 1 • Hotcell Drain Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00165)
- 2 • Associated ancillary equipment

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4 The Floor Drain Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00163) collects, contains, and transfers
5 noncontaminated liquid effluent. Although the floor drain collection vessel is identified as part
6 of the RLD system, it is not designed or permitted to manage mixed or dangerous wastes. If a
7 spill or release were to occur that contaminated this vessel, the vessel would be discharged to the
8 Laboratory Area Sink Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00164) or the Hotcell Drain Collection
9 Vessel (RLD-VSL-00165) and rinsed with water prior to being returned to service. This vessel
10 collects effluent from radiological laboratory floor drains, eyewash, and safety shower
11 equipment. The vessel also collects effluent from the C2 area floor drains located in areas such
12 as the laboratory area corridors, hotcell bay area, and the filter room.

13
14 Regulated analytical laboratory tank system process and leak detection system instruments and
15 parameters will be provided in DWP Table III.10.E.H.

16 17 **4.1.5.6 Laboratory Maintenance**

18 The analytical laboratory maintenance shop provides space for performing preventive and
19 corrective maintenance on laboratory equipment. There will be two shops, located in different
20 potential contamination areas. The C3 shop allows decontamination, maintenance, and storage
21 of contaminated equipment such as hotcell manipulators. The C3 maintenance shop will be
22 ventilated to the C3 ventilation system, and effluent from the C3 maintenance shop discharges to
23 the Laboratory Area Sink Collection Vessel (RLD-VSL-00164). The C2 shop will provide space
24 for the maintenance of equipment that is not expected to be radioactively contaminated such as
25 electrical components, utilities systems components, and instruments, and will be ventilated to
26 the C2 ventilation system. A list of proposed maintenance activities that will be performed in the
27 analytical laboratory maintenance shops is provided below.
28

Analytical Laboratory Maintenance and Waste Management Activity Summary

Task Description	Lab C3 Shop	In Situ Activities
Filter change out ^a		X
Manipulator repair ^b	X	X
Valve maintenance	X	X
Pump maintenance	X	X
Exhaust fan maintenance	X	X
Repair and fabricated equipment	X	X
Instrument calibration	X	X

a Spent filters will be disposed of following filter change out using approved maintenance, waste management, and radiological procedures.

b Manipulators requiring extensive repairs will be pulled and transferred to the C3 workshop for decontamination. Once the contamination levels are reduced to within acceptable limits for hands-on maintenance, the manipulator will be repaired using approved maintenance and radiological procedures.

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4.1.5.7 Laboratory Ventilation Systems

The analytical laboratory ventilation systems include C1V, C2V, C3V, and C5V systems that aid in the containment and confinement of mixed and dangerous constituent hazards. Clean occupied areas without contamination potential are classified as C1 and will be isolated from normally clean occupied areas with the potential for contamination (C2) and from areas with restricted occupancy, normal radiological hazards and higher contamination potential (C3 and C5).

C3 areas are restricted occupied areas and allow operator access under administrative controls as required for scheduled maintenance and operations. C5 areas have the highest contamination potential and will normally be unoccupied. These areas have, by virtue of their location and the activities performed within them, an increased potential for the release of contamination. The analytical laboratory C5 ventilation system will be an integral part of the complete analytical laboratory HVAC system. The design objectives of the analytical laboratory HVAC system, and therefore the C5 area ventilation system, will be as follows:

- Aid in the confinement and containment of mixed and dangerous constituent contamination sources
- Remove airborne particulates from the discharge air to ensure that emissions are within prescribed limits
- Maintain space temperatures within the indoor design conditions
- Satisfy safety requirements and codes and standards that are a part of the Safety Requirements Document

1 The C5 area ventilation system is being designed to maintain a negative pressure in the C5 areas
2 with respect to the surrounding areas. Hotcell ventilation, the Hotcell Drain Collection Vessel
3 (RLD-VSL-00165), and the C3 maintenance shop glovebox will be exhausted to the C5
4 ventilation system. Fume hoods within the rad labs, the waste reduction and lab pack room, and
5 the C3 maintenance shop will be exhausted to the C3 ventilation system. The ventilation from
6 C2, and C3 areas will be filtered through a single stage of HEPA filters and exhausted through
7 the analytical laboratory stacks. Air cascading into the C5 areas from the adjacent C2 and/or C3
8 areas will be exhausted through the analytical laboratory building stack by the C5 exhaust fans
9 after passing through two stages of HEPA Filter banks.

10 11 **4.1.6 Balance of Facilities**

12 The balance of facilities will provide support systems and utilities required for the waste
13 treatment processes within the pretreatment plant, LAW vitrification plant, HLW vitrification
14 plant, and analytical laboratory. These will include, but will not be limited to, heating and
15 cooling, process steam, process ventilation, chilled water, primary and secondary power supplies,
16 and compressed air.

17 18 **4.1.6.1 Plant Service Air Systems (PSA)**

19 The plant service air system will provide a continuous supply of compressed air for the process
20 tanks and vessels in the pretreatment plant, analytical laboratory, LAW vitrification plant, HLW
21 vitrification plant, and other miscellaneous uses.

22
23 Critical users (those who would be compromised or damaged by loss of process air) will include
24 the following systems, components, or controls:

- 25
- 26 • Instrument air system
- 27 • The ultrafiltration system
- 28 • Melter support systems

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30 The compressors will be located in the chiller/compressor building.

31 32 **4.1.6.2 Plant Cooling Water System (PCW)**

33 The cooling water system will supply cool water to heat exchangers supporting process
34 equipment coolers. Cooling water will remove heat from plant equipment coolers in the process
35 buildings and return the heated water to a multi-cell mechanical draft-cooling tower where the
36 heat will be released. The cooling water system is designed to remain uncontaminated by mixed
37 waste constituents. The cooling water will be chemically treated to promote system operability
38 and extend service life to 40 years.

39 40 **4.1.6.3 Low-Pressure Steam System (LPS)**

41 This system will provide a continuous supply of low-pressure steam for various users in the
42 pretreatment plant, LAW vitrification plant, and HLW vitrification plant. The process plants'

1 main use of steam will be for tank heating, for the evaporation process, and for HVAC heating
2 coils.

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4 The low-pressure steam system will be supplied from the high-pressure steam system through
5 pressure-reducing stations. The steam condensate and feed system will collect condensate from
6 the low-pressure steam users, monitor for mixed waste contamination, and return it to the steam
7 plant for re-use.

8 9 **4.1.6.4 High-Pressure Steam System (HPS)**

10 The system will provide a continuous supply of high-pressure steam for the ejectors in the
11 pretreatment plant, LAW vitrification plant, and HLW vitrification plant.

12
13 The steam plant will house the boilers that produce the steam.

14 15 **4.1.6.5 Demineralized Water System (DIW)**

16 This system will distribute demineralized water to various plant locations, after drawing it off the
17 process water system (described below).

18
19 The system can deliver demineralized water for the following processes:

- 20
21 • Fresh ion exchange resin addition
22 • Wash rings
23 • Decontamination
24 • Melters
25 • Analytical laboratory

26 27 **4.1.6.6 Process Service Water System (PSW)**

28 This system will supply filtered water to end users. This water will serve processes such as
29 offgas treatment, plant wash systems, and make-up to chilled water systems.

30 31 **4.1.6.7 Chilled Water System (CWS)**

32 This closed-loop system will supply chilled water to various HVAC unit cooling coils and plant
33 equipment coolers for the WTP. Chilled water will be used in various systems throughout the
34 WTP. The chilled water system is designed to remain uncontaminated by mixed waste
35 constituents. The chilled water will be chemically treated to promote system operability and
36 extend the service life to 40 years.

37 38 **4.1.6.8 Glass Former Reagent System (GFR)**

39 The glass former reagent system (the GFR system does not manage dangerous waste and is
40 provided for information only) provides glass former reagents and sucrose to the LAW and
41 HLW vitrification facilities.

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2 **4.2 WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS**

3 The following sections provide information on the waste management units at the WTP:

- 4
5 • Containers, including management and storage areas - section 4.2.1.
6 • Tanks systems for storage and treatment - section 4.2.2
7 • Miscellaneous units - section 4.2.3
8 • Containment buildings - section 4.2.4

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10 **4.2.1 Containers [D-1]**

11 This section of the permit identifies the containers and container management practices that will
12 be followed at the WTP. The term "container" is used as defined in Washington Administrative
13 Code (WAC) 173-303-040. Note that in the permit, terms other than containers may be used,
14 such as canisters, boxes, bins, flasks, casks, and overpacks.

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16 The container storage areas located in the HLW vitrification plant are:

- 17
18 • IHLW canister storage cave (immobilized glass) (H-0132)
19 • HLW east corridor El. 0 ft (secondary waste) (HC-0108/09/10)
20 • HLW loading area (secondary waste) (H-0130)

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22 The container storage area (secondary waste) located within the analytical laboratory is:

- 23
24 • Laboratory waste management area (A-0139 and A-0139A)

25
26 The container storage areas (secondary waste) located within the balance of facilities are:

- 27
28 • Nonradioactive dangerous waste storage area
29 • Failed melter storage facility

30
31 Container storage area dimensions at the WTP are summarized in Table 4-2.

32
33 The following sections address waste management containers:

- 34
35 • Description of Containers - section 4.2.1.1
36 • Container Management Practices - section 4.2.1.2
37 • Container Labeling - section 4.2.1.3
38 • Containment Requirements for Storing Waste - section 4.2.1.4
39 • Prevention of Ignitable, Reactive, and Incompatible Wastes in Containers - section 4.2.1.5
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1 **4.2.1.1 Description of Containers [D-1a]**

2 Four types of waste will be managed in containers:

- 3
- 4 • IHLW (immobilized glass)
 - 5 • ILAW (immobilized glass)
 - 6 • Miscellaneous mixed waste (secondary waste)
 - 7 • Miscellaneous nonradioactive dangerous waste (secondary waste)
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9 The waste form dictates the type of containers used for waste management. The following
10 paragraphs describe these four types of containerized waste that are managed by the WTP.

11

12 Immobilized Glass Waste

13 The immobilized glass waste is a mixed waste that will be managed in ILAW containers and
14 IHLW canisters specially designed to remain stable during receipt of glass waste, and which are
15 capable of remote handling. A petition to delist the IHLW is being developed and is planned to
16 be submitted to the regulatory agencies for their approval.

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18 The ILAW containers will be approximately 90 in. high and 48 in. in diameter, with a wall
19 thickness of approximately 0.187 in. and a nominal capacity of 90 ft³. ILAW containers will be
20 constructed of austenitic (304) stainless steel.

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22 The IHLW canisters will be approximately 177 in. high and 24 in. in diameter, with a wall
23 thickness of approximately 0.1345 in. and a nominal capacity of 43 ft³. The IHLW canisters will
24 be constructed of austenitic (304L) stainless steel.

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26 Based on results from the programs at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory and Savannah River
27 Technology Center, the 304L stainless steel is physically and chemically compatible with the
28 IHLW glass waste.

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30 Miscellaneous Mixed Waste

31 Generally, miscellaneous mixed wastes are secondary wastes that may include, but are not
32 limited to, the following items:

- 33
- 34 • Spent or failed equipment
 - 35 • Spent, dewatered ion exchange resins in the pretreatment plant
 - 36 • Offgas HEPA filters
 - 37 • Melter consumables
 - 38 • Analytical laboratory waste
 - 39 • Spent melters
- 40

1 Spent equipment and offgas filters will typically be managed in commercially-available
2 containers such as steel drums or steel boxes, of varying size. The containers for miscellaneous
3 mixed waste will comply transportation requirements, with receiving TSD waste acceptance
4 criteria, and will be compatible with the miscellaneous mixed waste. These containers may or
5 may not include a liner. Final container selection, container and waste compatibility, and the
6 need for liners, will be based on the physical, chemical, and radiological properties of the waste
7 being managed.

8
9 Spent ion exchange resins will be dewatered and managed in containers. This waste will be
10 generated and managed in the pretreatment plant, until it is transferred to a suitable TSD unit for
11 further management.

12
13 Melter consumables are routinely generated wastes and include spent feed tubes, pressure
14 transducers, bubblers, and discharge risers. LAW melter consumables will be placed into
15 approved disposal containers of varying size. HLW melter consumables will be remotely size
16 reduced and placed into steel baskets with lids. The baskets will be placed into drums and the
17 drums placed into shielded casks for export from the facility.

18
19 The LAW Locally Shielded Melter (LSM) will be classified as hazardous debris for land
20 disposal restrictions purposes. After a HLW Melter is deemed to be waste, it will be removed
21 from service and placed in a welded carbon steel container (overpack).

22
23 Each miscellaneous mixed waste container will have associated documentation that describes the
24 contents, such as waste type, physical and chemical characterization, and radiological
25 characterization. This information will be retained within the plant information network.

26
27 Most miscellaneous secondary mixed wastes will be spent equipment and consumables such as
28 pumps, air lances, HEPA filters, etc., and are not expected to contain liquids. If wastes are
29 generated that contain liquids, these wastes may be treated to remove or absorb liquids, to
30 comply with the receiving TSD waste acceptance criteria. In addition, the analytical laboratory
31 will generate containerized liquid waste (lab packs).

32 33 Miscellaneous Nonradioactive Dangerous Waste

34 Each nonradioactive dangerous waste container will have associated documentation that
35 describes the contents, such as waste type and physical and chemical characterization. Typically,
36 commercially available containers will be used. The types of containers used for packaging
37 nonradioactive dangerous waste will comply with the receiving TSD waste acceptance criteria
38 and transportation requirements. However, final container selection, container and waste
39 compatibility, and the need for liners will be based on the physical and chemical properties of the
40 waste being managed.

41 42 **4.2.1.2 Container Management Practices [D-1b]**

43 The following paragraphs describe how each of the containers used at the WTP are managed.
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1 **4.2.1.2.1 Immobilized Glass Waste Containers**

2 Immobilized glass waste ILAW containers and IHLW canisters will be moved remotely due to
3 the high radiation content of the waste. A brief discussion of how the containers move through
4 the WTP is presented below.

5
6 ILAW Containers

7 An empty container will be transported to a LAW glass pour cave and placed on a turntable
8 designed to hold three containers. There are two ILAW pour caves at each melter, each with the
9 capacity to manage three containers at a time. The container will be sealed to the Melter
10 discharge with a pour head connection. The glass waste will fill the container during the course
11 of approximately 10 hours.

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13 The filled ILAW container will be lowered back onto the turntable. Once the container has
14 cooled, it will be rotated to the transfer position. The container will then be lifted by a remotely
15 operated crane onto a bogie and transported to the finishing line. In the event the finishing line
16 becomes backed up, the container may be transported to the ILAW container buffer storage
17 containment building. The containers will not be stacked. Storage area dimensions summarized
18 in Table 4-12.

19
20 The container will be transported to the ILAW container finishing line (see section 4.2.4), where
21 the level of waste glass will be measured and additional inert filler will be added, if needed. A
22 sample of the glass may also be collected in this location prior to inert filling. Glass within the
23 neck of the container will be removed by abrasion and the lid will be attached to the container.
24 The debris generated from residual glass removal will be collected with a vacuum system and
25 disposed of as a secondary waste.

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27 After the lid is mechanically sealed, the container will be moved to the decontamination cell
28 where contamination will be removed. Using a turntable, the container will revolve while a
29 power manipulator tracks the entire surface with decontamination equipment. The dry
30 decontamination process will use carbon dioxide pellets. The container will then be transported
31 to the swabbing cell, where its surface will be swabbed. The radiation levels of the swab will be
32 remotely monitored, and the results will determine whether the ILAW container will be ready for
33 transportation to the disposal site, or go through decontamination again.

34
35 IHLW Canisters

36 The empty canister will be remotely transported to the IHLW pour station. The canister will be
37 sealed to the melter pour spout with a pour head. After filling, the canister will be allowed to
38 cool to glass transition temperature (approximately 400 °C to 500 °C), which characterizes the
39 transformation from an equilibrated melt to a "frozen" glass structure, prior to transportation to
40 the IHLW canister weld containment building unit (see section 4.2.4).

41
42 The IHLW canister will be transferred to the IHLW canister handling cave containment building
43 unit by means of a bogie. Here it will be stored on an open rack for up to three days, until it
44 cools to normal operating temperature. Normal operating temperature is the temperature at
45 which the canister can be lidded. This temperature range is 70 °F to 350 °F. In addition to

1 providing a cooling area, the IHLW canister handling cave containment building unit can be
2 used as a buffer to hold canisters awaiting lid welding or decontamination.

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4 After it has cooled, the volume of glass in the canister will be determined. The canister will then
5 be inspected for glass spatter on its exterior. If glass is found, it will be removed using a needle
6 gun, and the debris generated will be collected with a vacuum system and disposed of as a
7 secondary waste. The lid will be attached by welding, to seal the canister completely and
8 permanently.

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10 The sealed canister will be transported to the canister decon cave (HB035). The canisters are
11 first rinsed with de-ionized water and then decontaminated using a cerium nitrate and nitric acid
12 bath. It will then be rinsed with nitric acid, followed by a de-ionized water rinse, and then wiped
13 or swabbed with a soft absorbent material at the canister swabbing and monitoring area near the
14 canister decontamination vessels. The radiation levels of the swab will be monitored.

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16 The canister will then be moved to the IHLW canister storage cave (H-0132) where it will be
17 stored until transported off-site inside a shielded shipping cask. The canisters will not be
18 stacked. Storage area dimensions and maximum waste storage volumes are summarized in
19 Table 4-2.

20 21 Other IHLW Canister Storage Requirements

22 As stated in WAC 173-303-630(5)(c), a 30 in. separation is required between aisles of containers
23 holding dangerous waste. In addition, WAC 173-303-340(3) requires a 30 in. separation to
24 allow unobstructed movement of personnel, fire protection equipment, spill control equipment,
25 and decontamination equipment in an emergency.

26
27 Evaluation of the 30-in. aisle spacing requirement by the DOE, WTP, the EPA, and Ecology for
28 IHLW canisters concluded that aisle spacing in the range of 4 to 16 in. was adequate based on
29 the following factors:

- 30
- 31 • Personnel access into the immobilized glass container storage areas will be restricted. High
32 radiation dose rates from immobilized glass waste containers will preclude personnel entry
33 into the process and storage areas, and inspection of the ILAW and IHLW containers will be
34 performed remotely. (See Chapter 6 for the inspection approach.)
 - 35 • Water-based fire suppression systems will not be used in the container storage areas.
36 Because of its inert nature, the glass waste will present a low fire hazard, and a minimal
37 amount of combustible material will be present. The only potentially combustible material
38 that may be present in the immobilized glass waste container storage areas is insulation on
39 crane motors and associated cables. To ensure no water is introduced into the container
40 storage areas, a dry chemical fire suppressant system may be installed.
 - 41 • Spill control equipment will not be necessary within the IHLW canister storage areas. Spills
42 or leaks from the stored containers will not occur because the glass waste will be in a solid
43 form and will not contain free liquid. The glass transition temperature characterizes the
44 transformation from an equilibrated melt to a "frozen" glass structure.

1
2 The IHLW canisters will be stored in a storage rack to allow airflow. No stacking of the
3 containers will occur in the ILAW or the IHLW container storage areas. Closed circuit
4 television cameras will enable general viewing of both areas.

5
6 Miscellaneous Mixed Waste Containers

7 Miscellaneous mixed waste (secondary waste) will be managed in:

- 8
9 • HLW east corridor (HC-0108/09/10)
10 • HLW loading area (H-0130)
11 • Failed melter storage facility (balance of facilities)
12 • Laboratory waste management area (A-0139)

13
14 Containers will be kept closed when managed in the container storage areas. Containers stored
15 in these areas will be placed on pallets, or otherwise elevated to prevent contact with liquid, if
16 present. Table 4-2 summarizes the dimensions and maximum capacity of miscellaneous mixed
17 waste storage areas. Containers will be managed in designated areas throughout the WTP, and
18 then transferred to a suitable TSD facility.

19
20 The HLW east corridor (HC-0108/09/10) will be located in the eastern portion of the main floor
21 (0 ft elevation) of the HLW vitrification plant. This unit will be used as a storage location prior
22 to export of secondary waste containers out of the plant. Aisle space will be 30 in., and waste
23 containers may or may not be stacked. This units' storage capacity is listed in Table 4-2.

24
25 The HLW loading area (H-0130) will be located in the eastern portion on the 0 ft elevation of the
26 HLW vitrification plant. The unit will be used for storage of the miscellaneous waste containers
27 prior to shipment to a suitable TSD facility. The aisle space will be 30 in. and waste containers
28 may or may not be stacked. This units' storage capacity is listed in Table 4-2.

29
30 The failed melter storage facility will be a stand-alone building. It will be used primarily to
31 manage HLW melters that have completed their useful service life. The failed melters storage
32 facility may also receive containerized miscellaneous mixed waste, if needed.

33
34 The laboratory waste management area (A-0139) will be located in the southern portion on the
35 0 ft elevation of the analytical laboratory. The unit will be used for storage of miscellaneous
36 waste containers prior to disposition to a receiving TSD facility. The aisle space will be 30 in.
37 and waste containers may or may not be stacked. This unit's storage capacity is listed in
38 Table 4-2.

39
40 **Miscellaneous Nonradioactive Dangerous Waste Containers**

41 Miscellaneous dangerous waste containers will typically be managed in the nonradioactive
42 dangerous waste container storage area, or in non-permitted waste management units (satellite
43 accumulation areas and less-than-90-day storage areas) located throughout the WTP. The

1 nonradioactive dangerous waste container storage area will consist of a concrete pad
2 approximately 25 ft by 30 ft. The area may include a metal roof or portable storage buildings
3 such as cargo containers or storage lockers. Containers will be kept closed unless waste is being
4 added, removed, or sampled. They will routinely be moved by forklift or drum cart, and will be
5 managed in a manner that prevents ruptures and leaks. The storage capacity for the
6 nonradioactive dangerous waste container storage area is listed in Table 4-2. The containers in
7 that area may be stacked two high and aisle spacing will be at least 30 in. between rows of
8 containers. Containers stored in this area will be placed on pallets, or otherwise elevated to
9 prevent contact with liquid, if present.

10 11 **4.2.1.2.2 Waste Tracking**

12 The plant information network interfaces with the integrated control network and is designed to
13 collect and maintain plant information. The plant information network is currently planned to
14 the following systems:

- 15
- 16 • Plant data warehouse and reporting system
- 17 • Laboratory information management system
- 18 • Waste tracking and inventory system
- 19

20 Inventory and Batch Tracking

21 The waste tracking and inventory system will interface with the information system data
22 historian to provide reporting information such as tank volumes, waste characteristics, and
23 facility inventories of process waste. The waste tracking system will also be used to query
24 operations parameters at any time information is needed, as specified by operations, to manage
25 the process system. IHLW canisters and ILAW containers will be tracked within the facility
26 using an operations developed system: for example, manually recording on a board, manually
27 inputting into the information network, or if available automated through the integrated control
28 network.

29 30 Secondary Waste Stream Tracking

31 Containerized secondary waste streams and equipment will be tracked and managed through
32 commercially available database management software. Containers will be mapped in each plant
33 and updated during the inspection process using a commercially available drawing software
34 application.

35 36 Laboratory Information Management System

37 The laboratory information management system (LIMS) will be an integral feature of the plant
38 information network. The LIMS will serve as an essential tool for providing data management
39 of regulatory and processing samples. The chosen LIMS will be a commercial off-the-shelf
40 software package designed for performing laboratory information management tasks as
41 described in ASTM E1578-93, *Standard Guide for Laboratory Information Management*
42 *Systems (LIMS)*.

1 The LIMS will track the flow of samples through the laboratory. Samples received in the
2 laboratory will be identified with a unique identification label. The identification label provides
3 details of the sample process stream. Baseline analyses are defined by the requesting plant.
4 Additional analyses, as required, will be input into LIMS by laboratory analysts. Data will be
5 input into LIMS manually or by data transfer using LIMS/instrument interface. Analyses will be
6 performed using approved and validated analytical procedures.

7
8 Analytical results will be compiled by the LIMS and held pending checking and approval by
9 appropriate staff. Approved results will be reported to the requesting plant.

10 11 **4.2.1.3 Container Labeling [D-1c]**

12 Immobilized Waste Glass Containers

13 Due to the radioactivity and handling requirements of the immobilized waste containers,
14 conventional labeling of the immobilized waste containers will not be feasible and an alternative
15 to the standard labeling requirements will be used. This alternative labeling approach will use a
16 unique alphanumeric identifier that will be welded onto each immobilized glass waste container.
17 The welded "identifier" will ensure that the number is always legible, will not be removed or
18 damaged during container handling, will not be damaged by heat or radiation, emits no gas upon
19 heating when waste glass enters the container, and will not degrade over time.

20
21 The identifier will be welded onto the shoulder and side wall of each immobilized glass
22 container at two locations 180 degrees apart. Characters will be approximately 2 in. high by
23 1.5 in. wide. The identifier will be formed by welding on stainless steel filler material at the time
24 of container fabrication. This identifier will be used to track the container from receipt at the
25 WTP, throughout its subsequent path at the WTP, until it leaves the plant to be disposed or
26 stored.

27
28 Each identifier will be composed of eight coded alphanumeric characters. For example,
29 HL123456 would be an immobilized waste glass container storing ILAW with the unique
30 number 123456, and HH123456 would denote an IHLW canister. This unique number will be
31 maintained within the plant information network and will list data pertaining to the waste
32 container including waste numbers and the major risk(s) associated with the waste.

33
34 Personnel access into the immobilized glass waste container storage areas will be limited and
35 controlled administratively. Signs designating the hazards associated with the immobilized
36 waste glass will be posted at appropriate locations outside the container storage areas.

37 38 Miscellaneous Mixed Waste Containers

39 The miscellaneous mixed waste containers will be labeled with the accumulation or generation
40 start date, as appropriate, the major risk(s) associated with the waste, and the words "hazardous
41 waste" or "dangerous waste". A waste tracking and inventory system will be implemented.
42 Labels and markings will be positioned so that required information is visible. The label will
43 meet the WAC 173-303-630(3) requirements, and the dangerous waste number will be clearly
44 identified.

1 The labels on the overpack for the spent melters will carry the accumulation or generation start
2 date, the major risk(s) associated with the waste, and the words "hazardous waste" or "dangerous
3 waste". A waste tracking and inventory system will be implemented. Labels and markings will
4 be positioned so that required information is visible, and the dangerous waste number will be
5 clearly identified.

6 7 Miscellaneous Dangerous Waste Containers

8 The miscellaneous dangerous waste drums will be labeled with the accumulation or generation
9 start date, as appropriate, the major risk(s) associated with the waste, and the words "hazardous
10 waste" or "dangerous waste". A waste tracking and inventory system will be implemented.
11 Labels and markings will be positioned so that required information is visible. The label will
12 meet the WAC 173-303-630(3) requirements, and the dangerous waste number will be clearly
13 identified.

14 15 **4.2.1.4 Containment Requirements for Storing Waste [D-1d]**

16 Secondary containment requirements for the waste managed in the immobilized waste container
17 storage areas and the limited amount of other materials present are discussed below.

18 19 **4.2.1.4.1 Secondary Containment System Design [D-1d(1)]**

20 Secondary containment is required for areas in which containers hold free liquids. It is also
21 required for areas managing wastes exhibiting the characteristics of ignitability or reactivity as
22 defined in WAC 173-303-090(5) and (7).

23 24 IHLW

25 Secondary containment requirements do not pertain to the IHLW (canister) container storage
26 area, as these canisters will not contain free liquids or wastes that are designated ignitable or
27 reactive.

28 29 Miscellaneous Mixed Waste

30 Miscellaneous mixed waste storage areas may contain waste requiring secondary containment.
31 If wastes containing liquids or wastes exhibiting the characteristics of ignitability or reactivity
32 are generated, portable secondary containment that meets the requirements of
33 WAC 173-303-630(7) will be provided.

34 35 Miscellaneous Dangerous Waste

36 The nonradioactive dangerous waste storage area may contain waste requiring secondary
37 containment. If wastes containing liquids or wastes exhibiting the characteristics of ignitability
38 or reactivity are generated, portable secondary containment that meets the requirements of WAC
39 173-303-630(7) will be provided.

40 41 **4.2.1.4.2 System Design [D-1d(1)(a)]**

1 IHLW

2 There will be one container storage area for the IHLW canisters in the HLW vitrification plant,
3 as follows:

- 4
5 • IHLW canister storage cave (H-0132)

6
7 The IHLW canister storage cave will be located in the HLW vitrification plant, which is
8 designed to be seismically qualified, as outlined in DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1. A
9 secondary containment system will not be needed because the immobilized glass waste will not
10 contain liquid. In addition, because liquid will not be present in the IHLW container storage
11 area, the floor will not be sloped and will not contain drains or sumps.

12
13 Liquid will not be present within the IHLW container storage area for the following reasons:

- 14
15 • Administrative controls will ensure that liquid does not enter inside filled IHLW canisters
16 • The IHLW container storage area will be completely enclosed with a metal roof
17 • Penetrations to the storage area will be sealed to prevent water ingress
18 • Rainwater will be directed away using roof drains

19
20 The location of the IHLW container storage areas are shown on general arrangement drawings
21 in DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 10.4.

22
23 Miscellaneous Mixed Waste

24 There will be four miscellaneous mixed waste (secondary waste) container storage areas at the
25 WTP, as follows:

- 26
27 • HLW east corridor El. 0 ft (HC-0108/09/10)
28 • HLW loading area (H-0130)
29 • Failed melter storage facility
30 • Laboratory waste management area (A-0139 and A-0139A)

31
32 The HLW waste container storage areas will be located within the HLW vitrification plant. The
33 laboratory waste management area will be located within the analytical laboratory. Therefore,
34 these units will be completely enclosed within the plants, which will have metal roofing, roof
35 insulation, and a vapor barrier. Penetrations to the storage areas will be sealed to prevent water
36 ingress, and rainwater will be directed away using roof drains.

37
38 The failed melter storage facility will be used primarily to manage HLW Melters that have
39 completed their useful service life. These units will be received in carbon steel overpack
40 containers allowing limited hands-on contact. These overpacks will not be opened while the
41 waste melters are located in this storage facility. The facility is capable of storing up to three
42 waste melters at any given time. The spent HLW Melters will not be stacked.

1
2 The failed melter storage facility may also receive containerized miscellaneous mixed waste, if
3 needed. These waste containers will be sealed prior to transport to the failed melter storage
4 facility. The containers will not be opened while at this storage facility. The waste containers
5 will not be stacked more than two containers high. The failed melter storage facility will be a
6 stand-alone building located in the southern portion of the WTP.

7
8 Miscellaneous Dangerous Waste

9 Waste containing liquid may be present in the nonradioactive dangerous waste storage area.
10 Containers with liquids will be provided with portable secondary containment meeting the
11 requirements of WAC 173-303-630(7).

12
13 **4.2.1.4.3 Structural Integrity of the Base [D-1d(1)(b)]**

14 The storage areas will be constructed to support storage and transportation of containers within
15 the container storage areas and will be designed with the following:

- 16
17 • Containment system capable of collecting and holding spills and leaks
18 • Base will be free of cracks and gaps and sufficiently impervious to contain leaks
19 • Positive drainage control
20 • Sufficient containment volume
21 • Sloped to drain or remove liquid, as necessary

22
23 **4.2.1.4.4 Containment System Capacity [D-1d(1)(c)]**

24 IHLW

25 Because liquids will not be present in the containment system IHLW storage areas, a
26 containment system capacity demonstration is not required.

27
28 Miscellaneous Mixed Waste

29 The HLW container storage areas do not require secondary containment because storage of
30 liquids in these units is not anticipated. If the waste is found to contain liquid, portable
31 secondary containment will be provided that meets the requirements of WAC 173-303-630(7).
32 The waste container will function as the primary containment while the portable containment
33 device will function as the secondary containment. Each portable secondary containment will
34 have the capacity to contain 10 % of the volume of all containers within the containment area, or
35 the volume of the largest container, whichever is greater.

36
37 Liquid waste may be stored in the laboratory and waste management area. Each container
38 holding liquid dangerous waste will be placed into portable secondary containment that meets
39 the requirements of WAC 173-303-630(7). The waste container will function as the primary
40 containment while the portable containment device will function as the secondary containment.
41 Each portable secondary containment will have the capacity to contain 10 % of the volume of all
42 containers within the containment area, or the volume of the largest container, whichever is
43 greater.

1
2 Miscellaneous Dangerous Waste

3 Waste containing liquid may be present in the nonradioactive dangerous waste container storage
4 area. Each container holding liquid nonradioactive dangerous waste will be placed into portable
5 secondary containment. The waste container will function as the primary containment while the
6 portable sump will function as the secondary containment. Each portable secondary containment
7 will have the capacity to contain 10 % of the volume of all containers within the containment
8 area, or the volume of the largest container, whichever is greater. Typically, the waste containers
9 will be steel drums.

10
11 **4.2.1.4.5 Control of Run-On [D-1d(1)(d)]**

12 IHLW

13 The IHLW container storage areas will be located in the HLW vitrification plant. The
14 requirements for this section do not apply because the immobilized glass waste container storage
15 areas are within the vitrification plants and therefore will not be exposed to run-on.

16
17 Miscellaneous Mixed Waste

18 Run-on will not reach the interior of the miscellaneous mixed waste storage areas, because they
19 will be located within buildings, which will have roof gutters to remove precipitation.

20
21 Miscellaneous Dangerous Waste

22 Run-on will not reach the interior of the nonradioactive dangerous waste container storage area,
23 because waste will be managed in buildings with walls and roofs to remove precipitation.

24
25 **4.2.1.4.6 Removal of Liquids from Containment System [D-1d(2)]**

26 IHLW

27 No liquids will be present in the containment system; therefore, the requirements of this section
28 do not apply to the immobilized waste glass container storage areas.

29
30 Miscellaneous Mixed Waste

31 Portable secondary containment sumps will be provided for individual containers that contain
32 liquids. Hand pumps or similar devices will be used to remove liquid released to the portable
33 secondary containments.

34
35 Miscellaneous Dangerous Waste

36 Portable secondary containment sumps will be provided for individual containers that contain
37 liquids. Hand pumps or similar devices will be used to remove liquid released to the portable
38 secondary containments.

1 **4.2.1.4.7 Demonstration that Containment is not Required because Containers do not**
2 **Contain Free Liquids, Wastes that Exhibit Ignitability or Reactivity, or Wastes Designated**
3 **F020-023, F026 or F027 [D-1e]**

4 IHLW

5 The IHLW glass canister storage area will not contain liquids. The vitrification process
6 volatilizes water or other liquid materials existing at ambient conditions in the waste slurry feed
7 that enters the melter.

8
9 The waste numbers for ignitability (D001) and reactivity (D003) will not be managed in the
10 immobilized glass container storage areas. Wastes with the F020-F023, F026, and F027
11 numbers are not identified for the DST system unit. Therefore, these waste numbers will not be
12 present at the WTP.

13
14 Miscellaneous Mixed Waste

15 Liquids may be present in wastes in the laboratory waste management area. Secondary
16 containment will be provided for individual containers that manage liquids. The laboratory
17 waste management area may manage D001 and D003 waste. Wastes with the F020-F023, F026,
18 and F027 numbers are not identified for the DST system. Therefore, these waste numbers will
19 not be present at the WTP.

20
21 Miscellaneous Dangerous Waste

22 The nonradioactive dangerous waste container storage area may manage liquids and D001 and
23 D003 waste; therefore, secondary containment will be provided. Wastes with the F020-F023,
24 F026, and F027 numbers are not identified for the DST system unit. Therefore, these waste
25 numbers will not be present at the WTP.

26
27 **4.2.1.5 Prevention of Reaction of Ignitable, Reactive, and Incompatible Wastes in**
28 **Containers [D-1f]**

29 Ignitable, Reactive, or Incompatible IHLW

30 Immobilized glass waste will not be ignitable, reactive, or incompatible with the wastes managed
31 in the IHLW canister storage areas. The requirements of this section are not applicable to the
32 immobilized glass waste containers, including spent melters.

33
34 Ignitable, Reactive, or Incompatible Miscellaneous Mixed Waste and Miscellaneous Dangerous
35 Waste

36 Potentially incompatible wastes are not expected to be managed in the miscellaneous mixed
37 waste storage areas, except for the laboratory waste management area and the nonradioactive
38 dangerous waste container storage area. If such wastes are managed in one of these areas, the
39 containers of incompatible waste or chemicals will not be stored in close proximity to each other.
40 Acids and bases will be stored on separate portable secondary containment sumps; oxidizers will
41 be stored in areas separate from combustible materials; and corrosive chemicals will be stored on
42 a separate secondary containment sump. These separate storage areas within the unit will be
43 clearly marked with signs indicating the appropriate waste to be stored in each area. Potentially
44 incompatible waste will be stored at least one aisle width apart.

1
2 **4.2.2 Tank Systems [D-2]**

3 This section contains descriptive information for each tank system used for managing mixed
4 waste. The term "tank systems" refers to mixed waste storage or treatment tanks and their
5 associated ancillary equipment and containment systems. Figures and permit drawings depicting
6 design features of tank systems are found in DWP Attachment 51.

7
8 The following text uses the terms "vessel" and "tank". The term "vessel" is an engineering term
9 and denotes more robust construction than a typical mixed waste storage or treatment tank. The
10 term "vessel" is included due to the use of the term in the American Society of Mechanical
11 Engineers (ASME) codes and specifications, which will be followed for most tank construction
12 at the WTP.

13
14 **4.2.2.1 Design, Installation, and Assessment of Tank Systems [D-2a]**

15 This section describes the attributes of tank systems that will contain mixed waste. Tanks and
16 ancillary equipment containing only additives or reagents, such as glass-forming chemicals,
17 precipitation reagents, or unused resin, are not regulated under RCRA or the Washington State
18 Dangerous Waste Program, and are therefore not included.

19
20 Tank systems that will contain mixed waste are designed to comply with worst-case scenarios,
21 such as extreme pH, temperature, and pressure conditions. The WTP will be entirely new
22 construction, and there will be no "existing tanks" in the plant. Tank systems, with the exception
23 of the two outside tanks at the pretreatment plant, will be located indoors and within process
24 cells, process rooms, or caves with controlled access.

25
26 **4.2.2.1.1 Design Requirements [D-2a(1)]**

27 Tanks

28 Most of the tanks that come in contact with the waste will be operated under atmospheric
29 pressure conditions at the WTP. The mixed waste tanks will be designed, at a minimum, to
30 *Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code* (ASME 2000), the American Petroleum Institute (API) codes,
31 or other appropriate design codes. Tank integrity will be reinforced by additional requirements
32 of the tank group and seismic category assignment to each tank. The vessels will be designed for
33 seismic loading in accordance with the *Uniform Building Code* (UBC) standard for Zone 2B
34 (UBC 1997).

35
36 The codes and standards that will be followed for design, construction, and inspection for the
37 tanks are identified below, as applicable:

38
39

ANSI	American National Standards Institute
API	American Petroleum Institute
ASME	American Society of Mechanical Engineers
ASNT	American Society of Non-Destructive Testing

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41
42

1	ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials
2	EPA	US Environmental Protection Agency
3	NBBPVI	The National Board of Boilers and Pressure Vessel Inspectors
4	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
5	PFI	Pipe Fabrication Institute
6	UBC	<i>Uniform Building Code</i>
7	WRC	Welding Research Council

8
9 Permit documents describing tank design requirements are located in DWP Attachment 51,
10 Appendix 7.7:

- 11
- 12 • *Specification for Pressure Vessel Design and Fabrication*, 24590-WTP-3PS-MV00-TP001
- 13 • *Seismic Qualification Criteria for Pressure Vessels*, 24590-WTP-3PS-MV00-TP002
- 14 • *Specification for Pressure Vessel Fatigue Analysis*, 24590-WTP-3PS-MV00-TP003

15 16 Piping and Pipe Support Design

17 The design code of the WTP piping and pipe supports is ASME B31.3 Code (ASME 1996), as
18 well as the DOE seismic requirements. In compliance with DOE seismic requirements (DOE
19 1996), response spectrum method or UBC (UBC 1997) static method is used for the seismic
20 analysis of the piping systems.

21
22 Additional information for piping and pipe support design is included in the following
23 documents, which are included in DWP Attachment 51 Appendices as indicated:

- 24
- 25 • *Material for Ancillary Equipment*, 24590-WTP-PER-M-02-002 (Appendix 7.9)
- 26 • *Piping Material Class Description*, 24590-WTP-PER-PL-02-001 (Appendix 4)
- 27 • *Ancillary Equipment Pipe Support Design*, 24590-WTP-PER-PS-02-001 (Appendix 7.5)

28 29 **4.2.2.1.2 Physical Information for Tanks**

30 Tables 4-3 through Table 4-6 list current tank design information (capacity, materials of
31 construction, and dimensions). The tank systems are grouped by plant and process system.

32
33 Tank operation is generally automated. However, operator intervention can be used when
34 human decisions or approval are required for initiation and termination of a process operation.
35 Descriptions of tank system operation for major WTP process systems are identified in
36 sections 4.1 and 4.2.2.

37 38 **4.2.2.2 Ancillary Equipment Requirements [D-2a(1)]**

39 Information concerning ancillary equipment is provided in the following subsections.
40

1 **4.2.2.2.1 Transfer or Pressure Control Devices**

2 Several fluid transfer devices will be used in the WTP. These devices include mechanical
3 pumps, reverse flow diverters, and steam ejectors. Breakpots and seal pots, although not fluid
4 transfer devices, are an important component of vessel operations. These components are
5 discussed in the following sections.

6
7 Mechanical Pumps

8 Mechanical pumps will be used for operations that require high-flow pumps (such as through the
9 evaporator circuits) or high-pressure head pumps (such as for pumping a waste stream through
10 ultrafiltration circuits). Mechanical pumps will be located in process cells, process rooms, or
11 caves. In general, mechanical pumps will be repaired in place, or removed to a maintenance
12 area. However, remotely maintained pumps will be used in areas where maintenance activities
13 would result in a significant radiation dose to the operators.

14
15 For normal process operating sequences, mechanical pumps and associated valves will be
16 controlled by the process control system. In systems where off-normal conditions would require
17 pump shutdown, the design will include an alarm mechanism that will also trip the transfer
18 device. The pump system is designed to allow for the drainage of liquid from the pump, and for
19 the introduction of flush liquids at the end of transfers to reduce residual contamination.

20
21 Reverse Flow Diverters

22 Reverse flow diverters will provide for the maintenance-free pulsed or metered transfer of
23 liquids or slurries throughout the treatment process. A reverse flow diverter does not need to be
24 fully submerged in order to remove the contents of a vessel, and it maintains a small and
25 predictable volume of tank contents following its use. Operation of the reverse flow diverter is
26 cyclical, following timed phases: suction phase, drive phase, and blowdown. The following
27 paragraphs describe a typical reverse flow diverter system arrangement.

28
29 Suction phase: In the suction phase, the secondary automatic valve A is open, admitting air to the
30 suction jet pump. Valve B is shut and liquid is drawn from the supply tank through the reverse
31 flow diverter and into the charge vessel. The suction ejector is designed so that it cannot produce
32 a vacuum capable of lifting liquid higher than a certain valve known as the "suction lift". After a
33 short time, the liquid reaches this "suction lift" height and stops, then valve A is shut.

34
35 Drive phase: When valve A is shut, valve B is opened, admitting air to the drive nozzle. Air
36 passes through the nozzle and pressurizes the charge vessel. Liquid is forced across the reverse
37 flow diverter and into the delivery pipe. The delivery pipe is quickly filled with liquid that flows
38 into the delivery vessel.

39
40 Blowdown phase: When the charge vessel is nearly empty, valve B is shut; no air is supplied to
41 either jet pump. The compressed air in the charge vessel passes back through the paired jet
42 pumps, down the vent pipe, and into vessel vent system.

43
44 Shortly after blowdown begins, the pressure in the charge vessel falls below the delivery head,
45 and the flow of liquid into the delivery vessel is halted. The liquid in the delivery vessel then

1 falls back down the pipe, across the reverse flow diverter, and into the charge vessel. After a
2 short time, the pressure in the charge vessel falls to zero (gauge). The cycle is now complete.
3

4 Steam Ejectors

5 Steam ejectors are used to transfer process liquids, or to reduce the operating pressure of a
6 system by gas removal. They empty liquid from vessels by means of suction lift, using a simple
7 control system.
8

9 An automated control valve supplies high-pressure steam to the steam ejector. This steam
10 accelerates through a nozzle, creating a differential pressure along a submerged suction leg
11 within the vessel. The pressure then forces the liquid up the suction pipe. This effect is known
12 as *striking*. The steam then conveys the liquid to the destination vessel, normally via a breakpot.
13 Control is established using liquid level instrumentation in the vessel being emptied, and using a
14 temperature indicator, such as a thermocouple, within the breakpot.
15

16 Seal Pots

17 A seal pot is a type of hydraulic seal. A hydraulic seal is used primarily to maintain a separation
18 between vessel vent or offgas systems for feed and receipt vessels. This separation is necessary
19 to prevent migration of airborne contamination between the vessels. Without the seal, airflow
20 could occur due to the different pressures in the vent systems. The seal is a slug of liquid in the
21 interconnecting pipe work that remains after each liquid transfer is completed, blocking airflow
22 between vessels.
23

24 The seal can be provided by constructing a simple "U" shape in the piping. Different piping
25 arrangements are used for different purposes. A seal pot is a small vessel with one (inlet or
26 outlet) pipe submerged in the liquid slug in the lower part of the pot, while the other pipe
27 terminates in the top of the pot, above the static liquid level. The pot may be provided with a
28 level indicator or alarm, if necessary, to ensure adequate liquid level. Periodic liquid additions
29 may be needed to maintain the seal, especially if the pipeline is infrequently used.
30

31 Breakpots

32 The main function of the breakpot is to reduce the amount of mixed waste material entrained into
33 the vessel ventilation system. Breakpots are provided on transfer lines that use steam ejectors for
34 moving liquids by pressure flow. These types of transfers create the potential for higher
35 containment of mixed waste contamination. Breakpots function to convert steam from pressure
36 flow to liquid gravity flow, thereby reducing both the effluent loading on the downstream vessel
37 ventilation treatment system and the mixed waste contamination levels in the vessel vent
38 ductwork. Breakpots also serve a secondary purpose by providing a siphon break for other
39 transfer systems where siphoning could occur.
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41 Breakpots are typically placed at a high point in the discharge line from the steam ejector.
42 Liquid will be pumped into the breakpot through an inlet nozzle in its wall. The incoming liquid
43 will be directed towards a baffle. Within the baffle, noncondensed steam and gases will
44 disengage. The breakpot will be self-draining; the liquid will drain through the breakpot
45 discharge pipe to the destination vessel.

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2 Above the inlet nozzle(s) will be a packed bed where disentrainment of the gas stream will
3 occur. The exiting gas from the packed section will pass into the vessel ventilation system. The
4 packed bed can be washed periodically using a wash ring permanently installed above the packed
5 bed.

6 7 **4.2.2.2.2 Bulges**

8 Bulges are intended to allow hands-on maintenance of equipment after process fluids are flushed
9 from the bulge piping and components. Bulges provide shielding to personnel during process
10 operation and allow vulnerable or failure prone components to be located outside the process
11 environment. The cell wall provides shielding between the cell and the bulge interior. The bulge
12 includes shielding and contamination control as needed, depending on the process fluid within
13 the bulge piping. A typical bulge consists of a metal frame attached to the cold-side wall of a
14 process cell; the frame is used to support the piping and components as well as the shielding
15 plates (usually steel), which are bolted to the frame.

16
17 There are two classifications of bulges used at the WTP. One is a "process" bulge; the other is a
18 "service" bulge. The process bulge contains valves, pumps, piping, etc. The service bulge
19 contains valves used to transfer reagents, steam, etc., to the in-cell process equipment. The
20 design of the two bulges is similar.

21
22 Bulges are equipped with several wash systems, facilitating washing both internal and external
23 piping, components, and bulge confinement surfaces. Decontamination of the equipment
24 internals and associated piping is achieved by externally connecting a flushing system located on
25 the outside of the bulge. Wash fluids could be water or more aggressive media such as nitric
26 acid, provided compatibility with the bulge materials is ensured.

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28 Additional information on process bulges may be found in *Process Bulge Design and*
29 *Fabrication* (24590-WTP-3PS-MX00-TP001), located in DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 7.7.

30 31 **4.2.2.2.3 Description of WTP Piping System**

32 Detailed information on piping is included in *Piping Material Class Description*
33 (24590-WTP-PER-PL-02-001), located in DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 4.

34 35 Interplant Piping Transfer Lines

36 Waste feed from the DST system will be transported to the WTP via the waste transfer lines.

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38 The waste feed transfer lines will be double-walled pipe. The inner pipe will be constructed of
39 stainless steel, while the outer pipe will be constructed of carbon steel. The carbon steel outer
40 pipe will be coated with a corrosion-resistant material. In addition, the coated outer pipe for the
41 waste transfer lines from the DST to the pretreatment plant will be surrounded by insulation and
42 a seamless high-density polyethylene outer shell. This extra layer of protective material will
43 isolate the waste transfer lines from soil. The waste transfer lines between the pretreatment plant

1 and the other WTP process plants will not have this extra barrier from the soil, but will be
2 cathodically protected as described later in this section.

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4 A leak detection system will be provided for the entire length of the waste transfer line.
5 Pumping will be terminated, and reception of waste feed from the DST system unit will stop,
6 when a leak is identified by the leak detection system.

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8 The inner pipe will be supported by guides, saddles, support keys, or anchors within the outer
9 pipe. The inner pipe will transport waste and maintain the pressure boundary, while the outer
10 pipe will provide secondary containment for the inner pipe. The piping system will be buried
11 under a minimum depth of soil for radiation shielding. The minimum depth of soil will be
12 finalized at the detail design phase and will be not less than the 2 ft freeze depth. A heat trace
13 system is not required for pipes buried below freeze depth.

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15 The piping system will have a continuous slope down toward the pretreatment plant. Released
16 liquids resulting from leaks to the outer pipe can be removed as required by
17 WAC-173-640(4)(b). The piping system will be designed to allow water flushing to occur in
18 both directions.

19 20 Liquid Effluent Transfer Lines

21 Liquid effluent generated at the WTP will be routed to the pretreatment plant for recycling
22 through the WTP or disposal to the LERF and ETF. An effluent line will be routed from the
23 pretreatment plant to the LERF and ETF. This line is a buried pipe, constructed of materials that
24 are compatible with the waste, under a minimum 2 ft of soil serving as freeze protection. The
25 pipes will have a continuous downwards slope towards the LERF and ETF, and will be designed
26 to maintain structural integrity. A leak detection system will be provided for the LERF/ETF
27 waste transfer lines.

28 29 Intraplant Piping

30 Within plants, the pipelines associated with the tank system will be single-walled. Secondary
31 containment will be provided for piping within the plants by double-walled pipe or partially lined
32 process cells, process rooms, or caves. If needed, other containment methods such as a bulge or
33 concrete ducts with liners will be provided at appropriate locations. The bulge or concrete ducts
34 will be provided with a low point which will drain to process cells, process rooms, or caves. The
35 leak detection equipment located within the process cells, process rooms, and caves will warn of
36 a piping leak through alarms.

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38 Piping between plants and the two outdoor tanks at the pretreatment plant will be double-walled
39 below grade and below the freeze line, similar to the waste transfer line.

40 41 Cathodic Protection

42 An impressed current cathodic protection system will be used for eliminating or mitigating
43 corrosion on underground piping. The cathodic protection system will maintain a negative
44 polarized potential between the protected pipe and a saturated copper/copper sulfate reference
45 electrode.

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2 The impressed current cathodic protection system uses direct current provided by a rectifier that
3 is powered from the plant's normal 480 Vac power system. The direct current from the rectifier
4 is connected across the buried anode wire and the protected pipe. The current flows from the
5 anode wire, which is positive, through the electrolyte, to the protected pipe, which is negative,
6 completing the electrical circuit.
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8 An annual survey, recommended by NACE International (formerly the National Association of
9 Corrosion Engineers), will be performed on the overall system. Test stations will be provided to
10 permit potential measurements. Additional information on inspections is provided in Chapter 6.
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12 The following waste transfer lines are provided with cathodic protection at the WTP. The waste
13 transfer lines are double encased and constructed of materials that are compatible with the waste:
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- 15 • Mixed waste transfer lines between the pretreatment plant and the HLW vitrification plant
- 16 • Mixed waste transfer lines between the pretreatment plant and the LAW vitrification plant
- 17 • Mixed waste transfer line between the analytical laboratory and the pretreatment plant
- 18 • The incoming DOE waste feed pipelines that interface with the WTP pipelines are not
19 cathodically protected; therefore, the waste feed lines routed between the DOE interface
20 point and the pretreatment plant (which are similarly configured) are not intentionally
21 cathodically protected. They are, however, bonded at the crossing of the plant service air
22 piping between the pretreatment plant and the HLW vitrification plant on the opposite end
23 (which is adjacent protected piping). The waste feed lines, therefore, may receive small
24 amounts of protective cathodic protection current in the area where they are bonded. This
25 area is defined as the "zone of influence". Bonding is required to eliminate stray electrical
26 currents that may occur in the zone of influence and thereby eliminate the possible corrosion
27 process. The waste feed lines are also provided with test stations at both ends to allow
28 potential tests that will indicate if corrosion is a concern.
- 29 • Radioactive/dangerous waste effluent transfer lines to ETF/LERF

30 31 **4.2.2.2.4 Description of Foundations**

32 Tank systems containing mixed waste will be located indoors in process cells or caves, which
33 will be integral parts of the pretreatment plant, analytical laboratory, the LAW vitrification plant,
34 and the HLW vitrification plant with the exception of two outdoor tanks. Therefore, the design
35 requirements of the tank systems will be met by the structural integrity of the plants. WTP
36 compliance with UBC seismic design requirements, found in DWP Attachment 51, Supplement
37 1, provides the seismic design requirements for the WTP. The outdoor tanks will be located
38 outside of the pretreatment plant on a protectively-coated concrete pad and concrete berm. The
39 concrete pad for these tanks will be sufficient to support the tanks.
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41 Additional information on the design criteria, load definitions, load combinations, and
42 methodology for the structural design and analysis may be found in *Secondary Containment*
43 *Design* (24590-WTP-PER-CSA-02-001), located in DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 7.5.

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4.2.2.3 Integrity Assessments [D-2a(2)]

A written assessment of the adequacy of the design of tank systems and miscellaneous treatment systems will be prepared on a system-by-system basis. Separate reports are prepared for tanks, tank system ancillary equipment, and associated secondary containment systems. Each assessment will be reviewed and certified by an independent, qualified, registered professional engineer to attest that the tank and miscellaneous treatment systems are adequately designed for managing dangerous waste. Each assessment will include an evaluation of the foundation, structural support, seams, connections, pressure controls, compatibility of the waste with the materials of construction, and corrosion controls for each mixed waste management system, as appropriate. Assessment reports are located in DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 8.11 for the pretreatment plant, Appendix 9.11 for the LAW vitrification plant, and Appendix 10.11 for the HLW vitrification plant.

4.2.2.4 Additional Requirements for Existing Tanks [D-2a(3)]

Tanks and vessels to be permitted in the WTP will be newly constructed; pre-existing tanks will not be used. Therefore, the requirements of this section do not apply.

4.2.2.5 Additional Requirements for New Tanks [D-2a(4)]

Installation of tank systems will be performed in a manner designed to prevent damage to the tank system. The WTP uses an independent, qualified installation inspector, or an independent qualified registered professional engineer to perform tank system installation inspections. Inspection activities will include testing tanks for tightness, verifying protection of ancillary equipment against physical damage and stress, and evaluating evidence of corrosion. The inspections will document weld breaks, punctures, coating scrapes, cracks, corrosion, and other structural defects. Installation inspections will conform to consensus-recognized standards. Inspection findings and corrective actions, as appropriate, will be documented in post-inspection reports.

Additional information describing the installation of tank systems and associated inspections are provided in *Installation of Tank Systems*, 24590-WTP-PER-CON-02-001.

4.2.2.5.1 Additional Requirements for New On-Ground or Underground Tanks [D-2a(5)]

The majority of the tanks and vessels to be constructed in the WTP will be located within the pretreatment plant, the analytical laboratory, the LAW vitrification plant, and the HLW vitrification plant. Therefore, the requirements of this section do not apply to the indoor tanks.

The two outdoor Process Condensate Tanks located at the pretreatment plant (RLD-TK-00006A/B) will be located within a bermed and lined secondary containment system and will not be in direct contact with soil. The design of the outdoor tanks' concrete pad will address backfill, soil saturation, seismic forces, and freeze thaw effects. The ancillary piping for the unit will be in contact with the soil, and the effects of corrosion on the piping will be addressed in the final design.

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2 **4.2.2.6 Secondary Containment and Release Detection for Tank Systems [D-2b]**

3 This section provides information about the secondary containment for tank systems that will
4 contain mixed waste in the WTP. Descriptions of equipment and procedures used for detecting
5 and managing releases or spills from tank systems are also provided.

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7 A number of documents are provided in appendices to DWP Attachment 51 that provide detailed
8 information regarding the design of the secondary containment system. These documents
9 include the following:

- 10
11 • *Secondary Containment Design*, 24590-WTP-PER-CSA-02-001, located in Appendix 7.5
12 • *Material Selection for Building Secondary Containment/Leak Detection*,
13 24590-WTP-PER-M-02-001, located in Appendix 7.9
14 • *Leak Detection - Sump Level Measurement in Secondary Containment Systems*,
15 24590-WTP-PER-J-02-001, located in Appendix 7.5
16 • *Flooding Volume for PT Facility*, 24590-PTF-PER-M-02-005, located in Appendix 8.8
17 • *Sump Data for PT Facility*, 24590-PTF-PER-M-02-006, located in Appendix 8.5
18 • *Flooding Volume for 28 Ft Level of PT Facility*, 24590-PTF-PER-M-03-001, located in
19 Appendix 8.8
20 • *Flooding Volume for LAW Facility*, 24590-LAW-PER-M-02-003
21 • *LAW Facility Sump Data*, 24590-LAW-PER-M-02-001, located in Appendix 9.8
22 • *Flooding Volume for HLW Facility*, 24590-HLW-PER-M-02-003, located in Appendix 10.8
23 • *HLW Facility Sump Data*, 24590-HLW-PER-M-02-001, located in Appendix 10.5
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25 **4.2.2.6.1 Secondary Containment System Requirements [D-2b(1)]**

26 Most of the tanks systems containing mixed waste will be located within the plants, although two
27 tanks will be located outside the pretreatment plant. Tank systems containing mixed waste that
28 are located within the plants will be arranged within process cells, process rooms, or caves
29 provided with secondary containment liners or coatings. The outside tanks will be located on a
30 coated, bermed, concrete pad within concrete berms that will provide secondary containment.

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32 The secondary containment systems will be designed, installed, and operated to prevent
33 migration of waste or accumulated liquid to soil, groundwater, or surface water. The piping
34 associated with the tank systems will be located in the process cells, process rooms, caves,
35 berms, or bulges. Secondary containment for piping systems will be incorporated into the
36 design.

37
38 The following subsections provide detailed descriptions of typical secondary containment
39 systems that will be used at the WTP.
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1 Process Cells

2 Process cells will be located within process plants. Process cells will typically be constructed of
3 concrete walls to protect plant operators and the environment from radiological exposure and to
4 prevent migration of waste or accumulated liquid to soil, groundwater, or surface water.

5 Operator access to the process cells will not be allowed during normal operations.
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7 The process cells will be provided with secondary containment as required. The floor will be
8 sloped to a collection sump to allow for collection and removal of accumulated liquid within the
9 sump.
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11 Process Rooms

12 Process rooms will be located in the LAW vitrification plant and will be very similar to process
13 caves. Access to process rooms will not be allowed during normal operations. However, access
14 will be allowed for certain areas within WTP for nonroutine operations such as equipment
15 replacement or maintenance. Process rooms will be provided with secondary containment as
16 required. Systems within process rooms that manage mixed waste will have secondary
17 containment (for example, the locally shielded melter and piping).
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19 Caves

20 Caves will be located within process plants. Caves will typically be constructed with concrete
21 walls thick enough to protect personnel from exposure to mixed waste. Caves will house
22 mechanical handling equipment designed for remote operation and maintenance. They will
23 generally have viewing windows and closed circuit television to allow observation of the cave
24 operations and for overseeing remote maintenance. The cave floors and portions of the walls
25 will be provided with secondary containment as required. The floor of the cave will be sloped to
26 a collection sump to allow for collection and removal of accumulated liquid within the sump.
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28 Berms

29 Concrete berms will be used at the LAW plant for the Condensate Collection Tank
30 (LVP-TK-00001) and the two outdoor Process Condensate Tanks (RLD-TK-00006A/B) at the
31 pretreatment plant. The berms will be of sufficient structural strength and height to contain the
32 100 % of the volume of the largest tank plus the amount of precipitation that results from the
33 24-hour, 25-year storm event. A protective coating will be applied to the concrete pad and a
34 portion of the berms to prevent contaminant penetration into the concrete. The containment
35 system will be designed to allow for the discharge of storm water after visual or other testing.
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37 Sump and Secondary Containment Drain Systems

38 The sump and secondary containment drain systems for the three process plants and the
39 analytical laboratory are described in the following sections. Systems will monitor and collect
40 liquids managed in the system. Sumps and secondary containment drains will be provided with a
41 stainless steel liner or equivalent to act as the secondary containment. The sumps within the
42 process areas will provide a low point for each secondary containment. The sumps will serve the
43 following functions:
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- 45
- Low point containment

- 1 • Removal of material by means of sump emptying ejectors or pumps
- 2 • Sampling of material by means of sump sampling ejectors

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4 The following sections describe the type of sump used at the WTP and the secondary
5 containment drains. Tables 4-7 through 4-10 summarize WTP sump information by plant.

6 7 *Dry Sumps*

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9 Dry sumps are part of the secondary containment system provided for tank systems and wet
10 miscellaneous treatment systems. Sumps are located at a low point in the secondary containment
11 systems, and are equipped with leak detection instrumentation and corresponding alarm.
12 Mechanical or fluidic pumps are used to remove liquid that may accumulate in the sump. Details
13 of each sump are included in the sump data documents identified at the beginning of
14 section 4.2.2.6.

15 16 *Secondary Containment Drains*

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18 Many of the bulges and some process areas will have secondary containment drains with
19 remotely-removable plugs. This type of liquid collection system will be located in a low spot in
20 the cell formed by the sloping floor. Liquid detection instrumentation will be present on the top
21 of a remotely removable plug. After the plug is removed, liquid collected will gravity-drain to a
22 collection vessel with a tank level indicator. The liquid managed could be waste released from a
23 tank system, including ancillary equipment, or water used to wash the exterior of tanks or the
24 walls of the room.

25 26 *Design Requirements*

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28 Tank systems and wet miscellaneous treatment systems will be provided with secondary
29 containment that can contain 100 % of the volume from the largest tank within the containment
30 area. Fire suppression water is included as appropriate in determining the height of the
31 secondary containment. Table 4-11 summarizes the calculated minimum liner height at the four
32 process plants. The flooding volume documents identified above present the secondary
33 containment height for each plant.

34
35 A concrete berm with protective coating will be used for the pretreatment plant outdoor tanks.
36 This secondary containment area will be capable of holding 100 % of the volume from the
37 largest tank within the berm, plus the precipitation from a 25-year, 24-hour rainfall event, as
38 required under WAC 173-303-640(4)(e)(i)(B).

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40 The WTP uses consensus-recognized standards to ensure secondary containment systems have
41 sufficient strength, thickness, and compatibility with waste. The design includes an engineered
42 structural base to protect against failure resulting both from excess force applied during
43 catastrophic events or settlement, and from the stress of daily operation. In the event of a spill or
44 release, the secondary containment design will prevent released mixed waste from reaching the

1 environment, and will safely contain the waste until it can be transferred to an appropriate
2 collection tank.

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4 **4.2.2.6.2 Management of Release or Spill to Sump and Secondary Containment Drain**
5 **Systems [D-2b(1)]**

6 The WTP uses a dry sump as part of the secondary containment and leak detection systems.
7 Sumps are instrumented to inform the operator to investigate the cause of the rising liquid level.
8 Secondary containment systems are sloped to direct flow of leaks or spills to the sump. To
9 remove liquid from the sumps in a timely fashion, sumps will be equipped with mechanical or
10 fluidic pumps.

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12 Abnormal rising of the liquid level in the sump will be investigated to determine its cause.
13 Mixed waste released from the primary system and collected in the sumps will be removed
14 within 24 hours, or in as timely a manner as possible. If the released material cannot be removed
15 within 24 hours, Ecology will be notified.

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17 **4.2.2.6.3 Additional Requirements for Secondary Containment [D-2b(2)]**

18 These requirements pertain to tanks in vault systems and double-walled tanks, which will not be
19 used at the WTP. These requirements are not applicable at the WTP.

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21 Ancillary equipment such as piping is addressed within section 4.2.2. Other types of ancillary
22 equipment such as pumps, seal pots, and reverse flow diverters are provided with secondary
23 containment. Inspection of ancillary equipment is addressed in Chapter 6.

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25 **4.2.2.7 Variances from Secondary Containment Requirements [D-2c]**

26 No variances from secondary containment requirements are sought for the WTP tank systems.
27 Tank systems will be provided with secondary containment as identified in the flooding volume
28 documents described in the previous sections.

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30 **4.2.2.8 Tank Management Practices [D-2d]**

31 The following provides the basic philosophy for the WTP vessel overflow systems. Three types
32 of barriers exist to prevent overflow of process equipment: preventive controls, detectors, and
33 regulators. Preventive controls promote controlled filling within normal process ranges.
34 Detectors recognize if a vessel is being overfilled and alert an operator. Lastly, if preventive
35 controls and detectors fail to stop overflow from occurring, regulators trip a control sequence that
36 stops inflow and/or initiates outflow. The principal design concept to control vessel overflow is
37 to prevent an overflow from occurring. The engineering design will minimize the likelihood of
38 tank, ancillary equipment, and containment system overflows, and over-pressurization, ruptures,
39 leaks, corrosion, and other failures.

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41 In general, overflows will be prevented by inventory control in conjunction with level
42 monitoring. The fluid levels in a vessel will be maintained within low- and high-level ranges.
43 Appropriate alarm settings will be used to note deviations from the designed settings. Automatic

1 trip action will be designed to shut down feed to the vessel when the high-level settings are
2 exceeded. These automatic trip actions will be provided for vessels with the potential for high
3 operational and environmental impact in case of an accident or release.

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5 Most of the WTP tank systems will be designed to incorporate minimal or zero maintenance
6 requirements and will be based on a design life of approximately 40 years. The design emphasis
7 of zero maintenance will minimize the likelihood of spills and overflows in the tank systems. In
8 the event that the process controls fail to prohibit vessel overfilling, engineered overflows will be
9 provided to prevent liquid from entering the vessel ventilation systems. Vessels that are
10 nominally operating at atmospheric pressure will have a suitable gravity or engineered overflow
11 system, unless an overflow can be shown not to be possible. Vessels or systems that normally
12 operate at above atmospheric pressures will not be provided with overflows.

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14 The following principles apply when designing an engineered overflow system:

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- 16 • The overflow system for vessels must be instantaneously and continuously available for use.
 - 17 • Overflowed process streams must be returned to the waste treatment process.
 - 18 • Overflow systems must meet the requirements of WAC 173-303, *Dangerous Waste*
19 *Regulations*, Section 640, Tank Systems. In meeting these requirements, overflowing direct
20 to the cell floor will only be considered as the last overflow in a cascaded system. Where an
21 overflow is from a vessel to the cell, the overflow system will maintain segregation of the
22 cell and vessel ventilation systems. The compatibility of the overflowing liquid and the
23 recipient vessel will be considered.
 - 24 • A vessel overflow line is sized to handle the maximum inflow to the vessel without the liquid
25 level in the overflowing tank reaching an unacceptably high level. No valves or other
26 restrictions are permitted in the overflow line. This line is also designed to prevent the
27 buildup of material that could cause blockages.
 - 28 • The overflow receiver is sufficiently sized to contain the overflow.
 - 29 • Inspections will be performed on the various tank and overflow systems, using the example
30 schedules described in DWP Chapter 6.

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32 **4.2.2.9 Labels or Signs [D-2e]**

33 Tanks managing mixed or dangerous waste will be labeled according to the requirements of
34 DWP permit conditions DWP III.10.E.5.e, for routinely non-accessible tanks, and DWP
35 III.10.E.5.f, for tanks not addressed in DWP III.10.E.5.e.. They will inform employees and
36 emergency personnel of the types of waste present, warn of the identified risks, and provide
37 other pertinent information.

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39 **4.2.2.10 Air Emissions [D-2f] and [D-8]**

40 This section describes air emissions from vessel ventilation systems and reverse flow diverter
41 exhausts. Organic emissions from vents associated with evaporator or distillation units are also
42 discussed.

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4.2.2.10.1 Tank System Emissions [D-2f]

Most of the tanks will be connected to a vessel ventilation system to collect vapors. Vessel vents will be located on major tanks, breakpots, and other small vessels. Exhaust from reverse flow diverters and pulse jet mixers will also be collected.

4.2.2.10.2 Process Vents [D-8a]

The air emission regulations, specified under WAC 173-303-690 and 40 CFR 264 Subpart AA, apply to process vents associated with distillation, fractionation, thin-film evaporation, and air or steam stripping operations that manage mixed waste with total organic carbon concentrations of at least 10 parts per million by weight. The WTP does not use these regulated processes; therefore, this regulation does not apply to the WTP.

4.2.2.10.3 Equipment Leaks [D-8b]

Regulations provided in WAC 173-303-691 and 40 CFR 264 Subpart BB contain the "Air Emission Standards for Equipment Leaks". These air emission standards do not apply to the WTP because waste feed entering the WTP contains less than 10 % total organic carbon by weight and is excluded under 40 CFR 264.1050(b).

4.2.2.10.4 Tanks and Containers [D-8c]

The regulations specified under WAC 173-303-692 and 40 CFR 264 Subpart CC do not apply to the WTP mixed waste tank systems and containers. These tanks and containers qualify as waste management units that are "used solely for the management of radioactive dangerous waste in accordance with applicable regulations under the authority of the Atomic Energy Act and the Nuclear Waste Policy Act" and are excluded under 40 CFR 264.1080(b)(6). Containers bearing nonradioactive, dangerous waste, such as maintenance and laboratory waste, that is not excluded under 40 CFR 264.1080 (b)(2) or 40 CFR 264.1080(b)(8), will comply with the tank and container standards specified under 40 CFR 264 Subpart CC.

4.2.2.11 Management of Ignitable, Reactive and Incompatible Waste in Tanks [D-2g] and [D-2h]

Mixed waste from the DST system unit will initially be designated as both ignitable (D001) and reactive (D003). The D001 and D003 waste numbers will be as described in the waste analysis plan in DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 3A. The vessels will be located in a manner that meets the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) buffer zone requirements for vessels, as contained in Tables 2-1 through 2-6 of the *NFPA-30 Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code* (NFPA 1981). The vessels will be designed to store the waste in such a way that it will be protected from materials or conditions that could cause the contents to ignite or react. Vessel contents will be constantly mixed and will be actively vented to process stacks, which will be equipped with vapor collection and treatment systems that will manage emissions. Further information on waste numbers is contained in DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 3A.

1 Ignitable or reactive waste may be generated from laboratory or maintenance activities. This
2 waste will be accumulated and managed in compliance with regulatory requirements, in
3 approved containers. Potentially incompatible waste generated from laboratory or maintenance
4 activities will not be stored in the tank systems.

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6 A potential for incompatibility may exist, for example when nitric acid is used to elute waste
7 components from ion-exchange column resins that were previously regenerated with sodium
8 hydroxide. To minimize a reaction, water flushes will be performed between batches.

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10 Process reagents that could react with waste in the tank systems will be stored in areas that are
11 separated by physical barriers from process tanks. Potentially incompatible wastes generated
12 from laboratory or maintenance activities will not be stored in proximity to each other in the tank
13 systems.

14 15 **4.2.3 LAW and HLW Miscellaneous Treatment Sub-Systems [WAC 173-303-680 and** 16 **WAC 173-303-806(4)(i)]**

17 The LAW vitrification system and HLW vitrification system consist of the vitrification melters,
18 offgas treatment equipment, and associated equipment. The melters immobilize mixed waste in
19 a glass matrix. The LAW vitrification systems and the HLW vitrification system contain two
20 melters each. The following sections provide additional information on the vitrification systems.

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22 Other miscellaneous treatment sub-systems, and their associated process control features, are
23 described in section 4.2.2.

24 25 **4.2.3.1 Melter Capacity and Production**

26 For the melters, throughput is defined on the basis of quantity of glass waste produced. In turn,
27 the quantity of glass waste produced depends on the degree to which the feed can be
28 incorporated into the glass matrix. The maximum design throughput of the LAW Melter systems
29 will be approximately 15 metric tons per day of glass waste for each melter and approximately
30 30 metric tons per day throughput. The production rate of the HLW Melters is approximately 3
31 metric tons per day for each melter and approximately melter 6 metric tons per day throughput.

32 33 **4.2.3.2 Description of Melter Units [WAC 173-303-806(4)(i)(i)]**

34 The LAW Melter systems are located in the melter galleries and the HLW Melters are housed
35 within the melter caves as depicted in the general arrangement plan and section permit drawings,
36 which are found in DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 9.4 for the LAW vitrification plant and
37 Appendix 10.4 for the HLW vitrification plant. The following subsections provide detailed
38 descriptions of the melter units.

39 40 Low-Activity Waste Melter Units

41 Figure 4A-48 provides a sketch of an LAW Melter. Each LAW Melter (LMP-MLTR-00001/2)
42 is a rectangular furnace, lined with refractory material, with an outer steel casing. An additional
43 outer steel casing with access panels will be provided to enclose the LAW Melter. This outer
44 steel casing is designed to provide local shielding and containment. Each LAW Melter has a

1 nominal design capacity of approximately 15 metric tons of glass waste per day. Each will have
2 a molten glass surface area of approximately 108 ft². Each of the two LAW melters has external
3 dimensions of approximately 26 × 21 × 16 ft high, and weighs approximately 270 metric tons
4 empty and 290 metric tons with glass. The operating temperature of the melter is between 1100
5 °C and 1200 °C.

6
7 The locally shielded LAW Melter (LMP-MLTR-00001/2) will be operated and maintained in a
8 personnel access area. The melter will be maintained at a lower pressure than the surrounding
9 room to prevent escape of contaminants. Consumable melter parts will be replaced through
10 access panels. The melters will be transported in and out of the gallery on a rail system. A
11 transporter will move the melters to and from the LAW vitrification plant.

12
13 The melter refractory package is designed to serve as a mechanical, thermal, and electrical
14 barrier between the molten glass residing in the melter and the melter shell.

15
16 The refractory package is housed in a steel shell and provides containment for the molten glass.
17 Active cooling on the exterior of the melter is provided by water jackets. The water jackets will
18 be in the intermediate loop of a two-loop system that will transfer heat from the LAW Melter
19 through heat exchangers to cooling towers. The intermediate loop containing the water jacket
20 will be a closed system that isolates the water circulating through the water jacket from the water
21 in the cooling water loop circulating to the cooling tower. Mixed waste material leaking into the
22 intermediate loop cooling water will be prevented from becoming an inadvertent discharge via
23 the cooling tower. The refractory package will provide adequate containment if there is a
24 temporary loss of cooling. Penetrations in the melter system are sealed using appropriate gaskets
25 and flanges. This system is designed for plenum temperatures of up to 1,100 °C. The LAW
26 melter lid is composed of steel and refractory material layers.

27
28 Each LAW Melter (LMP-MLTR-00001/2) will use two independent discharge chambers. An air
29 lift pumps molten glass from the bottom of the melter pool, through a riser, into a discharge
30 chamber, and pours it into an ILAW container. The ILAW is then allowed to cool, forming a
31 highly durable borosilicate glass waste form within the container.

32
33 Spent LAW Melters will initially be managed within the LAW locally shielded melter gallery
34 containment building unit. Spent LAW Melters will be removed from the melter gallery and
35 transported using a bogie transport and rail system. If necessary, the melter exterior surfaces will
36 be decontaminated prior to transfer to a Hanford Site TSD unit.

37 38 High-Level Waste Melter Units

39 Figure 4A-54 provides a sketch of an HLW Melter. Each HLW Melter (HMP-MLTR-00001/2)
40 is a rectangular furnace, lined with refractory material, with outer casings. They have four
41 compartments: a glass tank, two discharge chambers, and a plenum just above the glass tank.
42 The tanks are lined with refractory material designed to withstand corrosion by molten glass.

43
44 The HLW Melter systems consist of two melters. Each HLW Melter (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) is
45 designed for glass production rates up to 3 metric tons per day (MTG/d). The operating

1 temperature of the melter is between 950 °C and 1,250 °C. The HLW Melters have a molten
2 glass surface area of approximately 40 ft². The HLW Melters have external dimensions of
3 approximately 11 ft high × 14 ft deep × 14 ft wide. The glass contained in a full HLW Melter
4 has a volume of approximately 145 ft³ and weighs approximately 9.1 metric tons. An entire
5 melter, including the supporting structure and transport mechanism, weighs approximately
6 90 metric tons empty and approximately 99 metric tons full.

7
8 The HLW Melters (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) have been designed to be remotely operated and
9 maintained. Remote maintenance will be performed by a power manipulator, overhead crane,
10 and auxiliary hoist, or by through-wall master-slave manipulators. The melter will be positioned
11 within the HLW vitrification plant for ease of access and viewing of both discharge chambers
12 during operations, and for viewing access to the melter lid to facilitate removal and replacement
13 of subcomponents, if needed. A rail and bogie transport system will facilitate remote removal
14 and replacement of the entire melter structure.

15
16 The HLW Melters (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) will use a refractory package similar to the LAW
17 melter to contain the molten glass. The refractory package is designed to serve as a mechanical,
18 thermal, and electrical barrier between the molten glass inside the melter and the melter shell.

19
20 The HLW Melters will also use an outer shell, which, with the refractory package, will contain
21 the molten glass and melter offgas. Active cooling on the exterior of the melter will be provided
22 by a water jacket, which will be in a two-loop system that will transfer heat from the HLW
23 Melter through heat exchangers to cooling towers. The loop containing the water jacket will be a
24 closed system that isolates the water circulating through the water jacket from the water in the
25 cooling water loop circulating to the cooling tower. Mixed waste material leaking into the
26 intermediate loop cooling water will be prevented from becoming an inadvertent discharge
27 through the cooling tower. The refractory package will provide adequate containment should
28 there be a loss of cooling. The HLW Melter lid will be constructed of a steel outer shell and
29 insulated from the melter plenum by refractory material.

30
31 The HLW Melter will use two independent discharge chambers. Discharge will be achieved by
32 transferring the molten glass from the bottom of the melter pool, through a riser, from which it
33 will be poured into a stainless steel IHLW canister. Glass waste transfer will be accomplished
34 through air lifting. The IHLW will then be allowed to cool, forming a highly durable
35 borosilicate glass waste form.

36
37 Waste HLW Melters will be removed from the melter cave and placed in an overpack. The spent
38 melter will be treated as newly generated waste, and will initially be managed within the HLW
39 melter containment buildings. If necessary, the overpack will be decontaminated using a dry
40 process. Waste HLW Melters will be stored in the melter storage facility.

41 42 **4.2.3.3 Automatic Waste Feed Cut-Off System**

43 The LAW and HLW Melters will be equipped with the ability to cut off waste feed. Automatic
44 waste feed cut-off systems terminate feed to the Melter if a specified operating condition is

1 exceeded. This design approach is consistent with the WAC 173-303-680 regulatory
2 requirements.

3
4 The LAW (LMP-MLTR-00001/2) and HLW (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) Melters are fed via air
5 displacement slurry pumps that utilize pressurized air as the motive force. These pumps supply
6 feed to the melters in slugs that act to keep lines from plugging. The feed is injected into the
7 melters through the feed nozzles on top of the Melter creating a "cold cap", where waste feed
8 undergoes several physical and chemical changes. The glass product in the melter is then "air
9 lifted" through the discharge chamber and into the glass container. Melter offgas is generated
10 from the vitrification of LAW and HLW of which the rate of generation is dynamic and not
11 steady state. The offgas is then carried away and treated via a dedicated offgas system.

12
13 The melter systems are designed to minimize the need for automatic waste feed cut-off
14 functions. Control of melter level and plenum pressure, process alarming, and optimized
15 operating procedures will be in place to reduce the occurrences of interlocking. Given the
16 processing speeds and the relatively slow rates of change in the operating states of the melter,
17 operators should have adequate time to react to upset conditions. An example of the slow rate of
18 change can be seen in the volume of feed per air displacement slurry pump feed cycle when
19 increasing melter level. Each pump cycle adds approximately 1 gallon of slurry into the melter.
20 At 1 gallon of volume, the liquid level rises no greater than 0.01 in. inside the melter. This
21 provides ample time for operator response.

22
23 Previous operating experience with similar melters has shown that two types of operating
24 conditions existed that warranted automatic waste feed cut off: 1) high melter pressure and 2)
25 high melter glass level. These interlocks have been sufficient to allow continued melter
26 operations without inadvertent feed cut off signals, yet provide a sufficient safety margin.

27 28 **4.2.3.4 Offgas Treatment System**

29 The offgas treatment system will remove steam, aerosols, entrained particulates, decomposition
30 products, and volatile contaminants that are generated from the vitrification processes and the
31 vessel ventilation systems. The principal constituents contained in the melter offgas stream are
32 as follows:

- 33
34
- 35 • Nitrogen oxides from decomposition of metal nitrates in the melter feed
 - 36 • Chloride, fluoride, and sulfur as oxides, acid gases, and salts
 - 37 • Particulates and aerosols
 - 38 • Entrained feed material and glass

39 A detailed description of the current offgas treatment trains for the LAW (LMP-MLTR-00001/2)
40 and HLW (HMP-MLTR-00001/2) Melters is provided in sections 4.1.4 and 4.1.5, respectively.

41 42 **4.2.3.5 Reserved**

1 **4.2.3.6 Physical and Chemical Characteristics of Waste [WAC 173-303-680(2)(a)(i)]**

2 A description of the waste characteristics of the LAW and HLW feeds is presented in DWP
3 Attachment 51, Chapter 3 (see Appendix 3A). The immobilized waste generated by the
4 vitrification processes will be in the form of glass that maintains its chemical and physical
5 integrity during long-term storage. The waste analysis plan (Appendix 3A) describes the types
6 and frequency of analysis that will be performed on the glass waste.
7

8 **4.2.3.7 Treatment Effectiveness Report [WAC 173-303-806(4)(i)(iv)]**

9 A treatment effectiveness report evaluating the performance of the miscellaneous treatment
10 sub-systems, and their effectiveness in treating the LAW and HLW, will be located in DWP
11 Attachment 51, Appendix 9 for LAW and Appendix 10 for HLW. The report will use the results
12 of the environmental performance demonstration and the risk assessment activities to document
13 treatment effectiveness of miscellaneous treatment sub-systems.
14

15 **4.2.3.8 Environmental Performance Standards for Melter Systems [WAC 173-303-680(2)]**

16 An environmental performance demonstration will be conducted to demonstrate the efficiency of
17 the LAW and HLW Melter systems and their respective air pollution control systems. Emissions
18 from the LAW and HLW systems will be sampled and analyzed during an environmental
19 demonstration performed during cold commissioning. The data developed during the
20 environmental performance demonstration will support the screening-level risk assessment,
21 which will support the development of environmental performance standards for the LAW and
22 HLW Melter systems.
23

24 The operational activities of the WTP include methods intended to ensure proper performance of
25 equipment and processes. These methods include sampling of materials, use of direct process
26 controls, development of equipment life specifications and ongoing maintenance.
27

28 **4.2.3.8.1 Protection of Groundwater, Subsurface Environment, Surface Water, Wetlands
29 and Soil Surface [WAC 173-303-680(2)(a) and (b)]**

30 The LAW Melters will be located in the LAW melter gallery (L-0112) within the LAW
31 vitrification plant. The HLW Melters will be located in the HLW melter caves (H-0117,
32 H-0106) within the HLW vitrification plant. Both plants are designed to comply with standards
33 that ensure protection of the surface and subsurface environments. The vitrification plants will
34 be completely enclosed and are designed to have sufficient structural strength and corrosion
35 protection to prevent collapse or other structural failure. In addition, the melter systems, melter
36 feed systems, and related piping will be provided with secondary containment, to minimize the
37 potential for release. The LAW melter gallery (L-0112) and the HLW melter caves (H-0117,
38 H-0106) will be permitted as containment buildings and are described in section 4.2.4.
39

40 Floors within the vitrification plants will be protected in a manner consistent with the intended
41 usage of the space. The floor and portions of the walls of HLW Melter cave will be partially
42 lined with stainless steel. Nonradioactive materials usage areas requiring heavy equipment will
43 have concrete floors with hardener and sealer finishes.

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2 The *Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Permit Application General Information Portion*,
3 section 5.4 (DOE-RL 1998), provides climatological data, topography, hydrogeological and
4 geological characteristics, groundwater flow quantity and direction, groundwater quality data,
5 and surface water quantity and quality data for the area around the WTP.
6

7 **4.2.3.8.2 Protection of the Atmosphere [WAC 173-303-680(2)(c)]**

8 A risk assessment will be performed to evaluate the impacts of the WTP emissions on human
9 and ecological receptors. Actual offgas emissions will be measured during an environmental
10 performance demonstration that will be performed as part of the WTP commissioning activities.
11 The data will be used during a screening-level risk assessment that will be performed to
12 determine ecological and human health risk. The emissions data and the results of the screening
13 level risk assessment will be used to establish operating conditions for the melters that do not
14 endanger human health and the environment.
15

16 **4.2.3.9 Approach to Risk Assessment [WAC 173-303-680(2)(c)(i) through (vii)]**

17 A pre-demonstration test risk assessment is being conducted to evaluate any possible human
18 health and ecological resource consequences posed by the thermal treatment of mixed wastes.
19 The risk assessment will provide information about the potential terrestrial, aquatic, and food
20 pathways for exposure of human and ecological receptors to dangerous waste constituents. This
21 risk assessment will present the quantitative methods, detailed assumptions, and numerical
22 parameters that will be used to estimate the nature, extent, and magnitude of potential risks from
23 operation of the WTP, and the approach and computations will be in accordance with the
24 government's guidance documents used in performing such risk assessments.
25

26 Treated air emissions through the stack will be the only planned direct releases into the
27 environment from the WTP. Other waste streams will be transferred to a permitted facility and
28 will not be released directly into the environment. Thus, the pre-demonstration test risk
29 assessment will focus primarily on air emissions.
30

31 Major components of the human health and ecological risk assessment process for evaluating
32 airborne emissions will be as follows:
33

- 34
- 35 • Risk assessment work plan
 - 36 • Pre-demonstration test risk assessment
 - 37 • Final risk assessment

38 The overall approach for the risk assessment will be to identify potential risks associated with
39 various receptors, their locations, exposure pathways, and activity patterns in two broad exposure
40 scenarios, as follows:
41

- 42
- 43 • Plausible exposure scenario
 - Worst-case exposure scenario

1
2 The plausible exposure scenarios will be based on where potential receptors currently exist or
3 may reasonably be expected to exist within the foreseeable future. The worst-case assumptions
4 will be based on locations of maximum concentration even though it is not expected that such
5 receptors will ever actually exist at these locations. Both scenarios will reflect current uses of
6 the surrounding land and habitat and reasonable assumptions about future uses of the land and
7 habitat.

8
9 During the environmental performance demonstration, emission samples will be collected and
10 analyzed, and the data will be used to evaluate risk to the human population and ecological (such
11 as wildlife) receptors. Operating conditions will be established for the WTP, which limit risks to
12 human health and the environment to acceptable levels.

13 14 **4.2.4 Containment Buildings**

15 This section describes how these units are designed and operated, in accordance with the
16 requirements of WAC 173-303-695, which incorporates 40 CFR 264 Subpart DD, "Containment
17 Buildings", by reference. Regulatory citations in this section list the applicable section of the
18 CFR to make it easier for readers to find the requirement. A typical containment building is
19 illustrated in Appendix 4A, Figure 4A-59.

20
21 There are twenty containment buildings at the WTP: four located within the pretreatment plant;
22 six in the LAW vitrification plant; and ten in the HLW vitrification plant. The regulated units
23 are:

- 24
- 25 • Pretreatment hot cell containment building (P-0123)
- 26 • Pretreatment maintenance containment building (PM0124, P-0121A, P-0122A, P-0123A,
27 P-0124, P-0124A, P-0125, P-0125A, P-0128, P-0128A)
- 28 • Pretreatment filter package maintenance containment building (P-0223)
- 29 • Pretreatment air filter package containment building (P-0335)
- 30 • LAW LSM gallery containment building (L-0112)
- 31 • LAW container finishing containment building (L-0109B, L-0109C, L-0109D, L-0109E, L-
32 0115B, L-0115C, L-0115D, L-0115E)
- 33 • LAW vitrification plant consumable import/export containment building (L-0119B)
- 34 • LAW vitrification plant C3 workshop containment building (L-226A)
- 35 • LAW pour cave containment building (L-B015A, L-B013C, L-B013B, L-B011C, L-B011B,
36 and L-B009B)
- 37 • LAW container buffer storage containment building (L-B025C, L-B025D)
- 38 • HLW melter cave no. 1 containment building (H-0117, H-0116B, H-0310A)
- 39 • HLW melter cave no. 2 containment building (H-0106, H-0105B, and H-0304A)
- 40 • IHLW canister handling cave containment building (H-0136)
- 41 • IHLW canister swabbing and monitoring cave containment building (H-0133)

- 1 • HLW vitrification plant C3 workshop containment building(H-0311A, H-0331B)
- 2 • HLW filter cave containment building (H-0104)
- 3 • HLW pour tunnel no. 1 (H-B032)
- 4 • HLW pour tunnel no. 2 (H-B005A)
- 5 • HLW drum swabbing and monitoring area (H-0126A, H-0126B, H-B028)
- 6 • HLW waste handling area (H-410B, and H-411)

7
8 Table 4-12 summarizes the units within the WTP. The following figures and drawings found in
9 DWP Attachment 51 provide further detail for the WTP containment buildings:

- 10
- 11 • Figure 4A-59 depicting common features of containment buildings
- 12 • General arrangement figures and drawings showing locations of containment buildings
- 13 • Waste management area figures showing containment building locations to be permitted

14
15 Control of fugitive emissions from containment buildings is described in *Fugitive Emissions*
16 *Control Description* (24590-WTP-PER-HV-02-001).

17
18 The following sections address each of the containment buildings.

19 20 **4.2.4.1 Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building (P-0123)**

21 The first containment building in the pretreatment plant is located in the central portion of the
22 pretreatment plant and stretches nearly the entire length of the building.

23
24 The process equipment is remote handled in case of failure and is removed by an overhead crane
25 or powered manipulator. Manipulators assist in the decontamination and remote repair. The unit
26 also contains a crane and powered manipulator repair area. The failed equipment is placed inside
27 disposal boxes and transported through a series of airlock and shield doors to a truck load-out
28 area on the outside of the building.

29
30 Process equipment, such as pumps, valves, and jumpers, are located in this containment building.
31 Typical waste management activities performed in this containment building include the removal
32 and staging of failed, remote-handled process equipment prior to decontamination, repair, and/or
33 packaging of waste for disposal. Jumpers connecting process equipment may leak waste when
34 the jumper connection is broken. Although some decontamination capability is present in the
35 pretreatment hot cell containment building, some quantities of waste, especially solids, will
36 remain following decontamination. The design features associated with the pretreatment hot cell
37 containment building, discussed below, ensure the capability to manage residual waste from
38 process jumper leakage throughout the 40-year design lifetime of the pretreatment plant.

39 40 Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building Design

41 The pretreatment hot cell containment building is designed as a completely enclosed area within
42 the pretreatment plant. It is designed to prevent the release of dangerous constituents and their

1 exposure to the outside environment. The design and construction of the hot cell and the
2 pretreatment plant exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The approximate
3 dimensions of the unit are summarized in Table 4-12.

4
5 Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building Structure

6 The pretreatment hot cell containment building will be a concrete-walled structure fully enclosed
7 within the pretreatment plant. Therefore, structural requirements for the containment building
8 will be met by the design standards of the pretreatment plant. The roof of the pretreatment plant
9 will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and vapor barrier. Rainwater run-off will be
10 collected by roof drains and drainage systems with overflow roof drains. The design will ensure
11 that the unit has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment
12 51, Supplement 1 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the pretreatment
13 plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

14
15 Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building Materials

16 The pretreatment hot cell containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced concrete.
17 The interior floor and a portion of the walls of the unit will be partially lined with stainless steel.
18 The balance of the walls will have an impervious coating.

19
20 Use of Incompatible Materials in the Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building

21 A partial stainless steel liner will be provided for this unit. Stainless steel will be compatible
22 with the equipment waste that will be managed, which will include failed pumps, ultrafilters, and
23 valves containing a minimal amount of waste constituents. Activities in the unit will include, but
24 not be limited to, decontamination, size reduction, and packaging the waste components into
25 drums or waste boxes. Treatment reagents that could cause the liner to leak, corrode, or
26 otherwise fail will not be used within the unit.

27
28 Primary Barrier Integrity in the Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building

29 The pretreatment hot cell containment building is designed to withstand loads from the
30 movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria identified
31 in DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations,
32 and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

33
34 Certification of Design for the Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building

35 Prior to startup of operations, a certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
36 the pretreatment hot cell containment building meets the design requirements of
37 40 CFR 264.1101(a), (b), and (c) will be obtained.

38
39 Operation of the Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building

40 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established and followed to ensure
41 containment of the waste within the pretreatment hot cell containment building as required by
42 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).
43

1 Maintenance of the Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building

2 The partial stainless steel lining of the unit will be constructed and maintained in a manner that
3 will be free of significant cracks, gaps, corrosion, or other deterioration. The partial stainless
4 steel liner will remain free of corrosion or other deterioration because it is compatible with
5 materials that will be managed in the containment building. The failed equipment that will be
6 managed in the containment building unit will be compatible with stainless steel. Only
7 decontamination chemicals that are compatible with the liner will be used.
8

9 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building

10 The pretreatment hot cell containment building is designed to isolate failed equipment from the
11 accessible environment and to prevent the spread of contaminated materials. Very little dust is
12 expected to be generated in the unit. Personnel access to the unit, which is classified as a C5
13 contamination area, will be restricted. Waste leaving the unit may or may not be enclosed within
14 containers. Equipment leaving the unit will be decontaminated before being released for
15 removal.
16

17 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the Pretreatment Hot Cell
18 Containment Building

19 The design and operation of the unit makes it very unlikely that releases will occur. The design
20 and operational measures will minimize the generation of dust and contain it within the unit.
21 The ventilation system will also use negative air pressure to keep contamination from spreading
22 to areas of lesser contamination. Offgas will be routed to the pretreatment ventilation system.
23

24 Inspections will identify conditions that could lead to a release. Such conditions will be
25 corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event that a release of
26 dangerous wastes from the containment building is detected, actions required by
27 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative and operating
28 methods that will be used to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of
29 operations. These methods will be followed to repair conditions that could lead to a release.
30

31 Inspections of the Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building

32 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to a release of
33 wastes from the pretreatment hot cell containment building. The inspection and monitoring
34 schedule and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit are included in Chapter 6.
35

36 **4.2.4.2 Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building (PM0124, P-0121A, P-0122A,
37 P-0123A, P-0124, P-0124A, P-0125, P-0125A, P-0128, P-0128A)**

38 The pretreatment plant will have a second area that meets the definition of a containment
39 building. The pretreatment maintenance containment building comprises the majority of the east
40 end of the building. Typical waste management activities performed in this containment
41 building include equipment maintenance, including decontamination, size reduction, and
42 packaging of spent equipment. This unit consists of the interim storage, lag storage, manipulator
43 decontamination and repair, resin handling, waste packaging, tool cribs, and subchange rooms.
44 The unit will include hatches to import or export spent equipment. An overhead crane will

1 facilitate movement of equipment and removal or placement of the spent equipment in the waste
2 containers.

3
4 Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building Design

5 The pretreatment maintenance containment building is designed as a completely enclosed area
6 within the pretreatment plant. The unit is designed to prevent the release and exposure of
7 dangerous constituents to the outside environment. The design and construction of the
8 pretreatment plant exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the
9 pretreatment plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier. Rainwater
10 run-off will be collected by roof drains and drainage system with overflow roof drains. The
11 approximate dimensions of the unit are summarized in Table 4-12.

12
13 Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building Structure

14 The pretreatment maintenance containment building will consist of several rooms within the
15 concrete-walled, fully enclosed pretreatment plant. Therefore, structural requirements for the
16 containment building will be met by the design standards of the pretreatment plant. The design
17 will ensure that the unit has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP
18 Attachment 51, Supplement 1 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the
19 pretreatment plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

20
21 Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building Materials

22 The pretreatment maintenance containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced
23 concrete. The interior floor and portions of the walls of the unit will be lined with stainless steel.
24 The balance of the walls will have an impervious coating.

25
26 Use of Incompatible Materials in the Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building

27 A partial stainless steel liner will be provided for the unit. Stainless steel will be compatible with
28 the equipment wastes that will be managed, which will include failed pumps, ultrafilters, and
29 valves. Activities in the unit will be limited to decontamination, size reduction, and packaging
30 the waste components into drums or waste boxes. Treatment reagents that could cause the liner
31 to leak, corrode, or otherwise fail will not be used within the unit.

32
33 Primary Barrier Integrity in the Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building

34 The pretreatment maintenance containment building is designed to withstand loads from the
35 movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria identified
36 in DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations,
37 and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

38
39 Certification of Design for the Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building

40 Prior to startup of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that the
41 pretreatment maintenance containment building meets the design requirements of
42 40 CFR 264.1101(a), (b), and (c) will be obtained.
43

1 Operation of the Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building

2 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be followed to ensure containment of
3 the waste within the pretreatment maintenance containment building as required by
4 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).
5

6 Maintenance of the Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building

7 The stainless steel lining of the unit will be constructed and maintained in a manner that will be
8 free of significant cracks, gaps, corrosion, or other deterioration. The stainless steel liner will
9 remain free of corrosion or other deterioration because it will be compatible with materials that
10 will be managed in the containment building, which will include failed equipment. Only
11 decontamination chemicals that are compatible with the liner will be used.
12

13 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building

14 The pretreatment maintenance containment building is designed to isolate failed equipment from
15 the accessible environment and to prevent the spread of contaminated materials. A dust cleanup
16 system will minimize the potential for dust to be tracked from the unit by humans or equipment.
17 The containment building will be classified as a C3/C5 contamination area and, therefore,
18 personnel access will be limited, and may be restricted. Wastes leaving the unit may be enclosed
19 within containers. If necessary, these containers will be decontaminated in the unit prior to
20 transportation to a permitted storage area. Equipment leaving the unit will be decontaminated
21 before being released for removal from the cell.
22

23 Procedures in the Event of a Release or Potential Release from the Pretreatment Maintenance
24 Containment Building

25 The design and operation of the unit makes it very unlikely that releases will occur. The design
26 and operational measures that will be used will minimize the generation of dust and contain it
27 within the unit. The ventilation system will also use negative air pressure to keep contamination
28 from spreading to areas of lesser contamination.
29

30 In the unlikely event that a release of dangerous wastes from the containment building is
31 detected, actions required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Specific
32 administrative and operating methods that will be used to satisfy this requirement will be
33 developed prior to the start of operations. These methods will be followed to repair condition
34 that could lead to a release.
35

36 Inspections of the Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building

37 An inspection program will be established as required under WAC 173-303-695 to detect
38 conditions that could lead to the release of wastes from the pretreatment maintenance
39 containment building. Such conditions will be corrected as soon as possible after they are
40 identified. The inspection and monitoring schedule and methods that will be used to detect a
41 release are included in Chapter 6.
42

1 **4.2.4.3 Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment Building (P-0223)**

2 The pretreatment filter package maintenance containment building is the third containment
3 building within the pretreatment plant, located in the southeast portion of the plant. Typical
4 waste management activities performed in this containment building include, waste storage, size
5 reduction, decontamination, and equipment repair. A crane transports spent HEPA and HEME
6 filters to a size reduction station and then places them inside a disposal container. The disposal
7 container is then transported via cart, through an air lock and shield doors and to a load-out area
8 for storage pending final disposal. The containment building also houses a hands-on crane
9 decontamination and repair area.

10
11 Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment Building Design

12 The pretreatment filter package maintenance containment building will be completely enclosed
13 within the pretreatment plant, and will be designed to prevent the release and exposure of
14 dangerous constituents to the outside environment. The design and construction of the
15 pretreatment plant exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the
16 pretreatment plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier. Run-off
17 will be collected by roof drains and a drainage system with overflow drains. The interior floor
18 and a portion of the walls will be lined with a protective coating. The approximate dimensions
19 of the containment building are summarized in Table 4-12.

20
21 Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment Building Structure

22 Because the pretreatment filter package maintenance containment building will be a
23 concrete-walled structure fully enclosed within the pretreatment plant, its requirements will be
24 met by the design standards of the pretreatment plant. The design will ensure that the unit has
25 sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1
26 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the pretreatment plant meet or exceed
27 the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

28
29 Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment Building Materials

30 The pretreatment filter package maintenance containment building will be constructed of
31 steel-reinforced concrete. A protective coating will be provided for the containment building.

32
33 Use of Incompatible Materials for the Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment
34 Building

35 The protective coating will be compatible with the wastes that will be managed in the unit, which
36 will include spent HEPA and HEME filters. Activities in the unit will be limited to size
37 reduction and waste packaging. Treatment reagents that could cause the protective coating to
38 leak, corrode, or otherwise fail will not be used within the unit.

39
40 Primary Barrier Integrity in the Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment Building

41 The pretreatment filter package maintenance containment building will be designed to withstand
42 loads from the movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design
43 criteria found in DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load
44 combinations, and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

1
2 Certification of Design for the Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment Building

3 Prior to the start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
4 the pretreatment filter package maintenance containment building meets the design requirements
5 of 40 CFR 264.1101(a) and (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do
6 not apply to this design because waste containing liquids will not be managed in the unit and
7 waste will not be treated with liquids.
8

9 Operation of the Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment Building

10 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
11 the waste within the pretreatment filter package maintenance containment building, as required
12 by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).
13

14 Maintenance of the Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment Building

15 The protectively-coated concrete floor and walls of the unit will be constructed and maintained
16 in a manner that will be free of significant cracks, gaps, corrosion, or other deterioration. The
17 protective coating will be compatible with materials that will be managed in the containment
18 building, which will include spent HEPA and HEME filters. No decontamination chemicals that
19 are incompatible with the coated concrete will be used.
20

21 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance
22 Containment Building

23 The pretreatment filter package maintenance containment building is designed to manage spent
24 HEPA and HEME filters. Conducting these activities in a C5 zone will prevent the spread of
25 contaminated materials. Restricted personnel access and controlled movement of equipment into
26 and out of the unit will decrease the possibility that waste will be tracked from the unit.
27

28 Personnel access to the pretreatment plant filter package maintenance containment building,
29 which is classified as a C5 contamination area, will be restricted. Access to the unit will be
30 allowed only under limited circumstances, thereby limiting the potential for contacting the waste
31 and tracking it from the unit.
32

33 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the Pretreatment Filter Package
34 Maintenance Containment Building

35 Conditions that could lead to a release from the pretreatment filter package maintenance
36 containment building will be corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the
37 unlikely event of a release of dangerous wastes from the containment building, actions required
38 by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative and operating
39 methods that will be used to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of
40 operations.
41

42 Inspections of the Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment Building

43 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to a release of
44 wastes from the pretreatment filter package maintenance containment building. The inspection

1 and monitoring schedule, and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit, are
2 included in Chapter 6.

3 4 **4.2.4.4 Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building (P-0335)**

5 The pretreatment air filter package containment building is the fourth containment building
6 within the pretreatment plant, in the southeast portion of the plant. Typical waste management
7 activities performed in this containment building include waste storage, size reduction,
8 decontamination, and equipment repair. A crane transports the spent HEPA and HEME filters to
9 a size reduction station and then places them inside a disposal container. The disposal container
10 is then transported via cart through an air lock and shield doors and to a load-out area for storage
11 pending final disposal. The containment building also houses a dedicated crane maintenance
12 area.

13 14 Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building Design

15 The pretreatment air filter package containment building will be completely enclosed within the
16 pretreatment plant, and will be designed to prevent the release and exposure of dangerous
17 constituents to the outside environment. The design and construction of the pretreatment plant
18 exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the pretreatment plant will
19 consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier. Run-off will be collected by roof
20 drains and a drainage system with overflow drains. The approximate dimensions of the
21 containment building are summarized in Table 4-12.

22 23 Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building Structure

24 Because the pretreatment air filter package containment building will be a concrete-walled
25 structure fully enclosed within the pretreatment plant, its requirements will be met by the design
26 standards of the pretreatment plant. The design will ensure that the unit has sufficient structural
27 strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 provides
28 documentation that the seismic requirements for the pretreatment plant meet or exceed the
29 Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

30 31 Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building Unit Materials

32 The pretreatment air filter package containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced
33 concrete. The interior floor and a portion of the walls will be lined with a protective coating.

34 35 Use of Incompatible Materials for the Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building

36 The protective coating will be compatible with the wastes that will be managed in the unit, which
37 will include spent HEPA and HEME filters. Activities in the unit will be limited to size
38 reduction and waste packaging. Treatment reagents that could cause the protective coating to
39 leak, corrode, or otherwise fail will not be used within the unit.

40 41 Primary Barrier Integrity in the Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building

42 The pretreatment air filter package containment building will be designed to withstand loads
43 from the movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria

1 found in DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load
2 combinations, and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

3
4 Certification of Design for the Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building

5 Prior to the start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
6 the pretreatment air filter package containment building meets the design requirements of
7 40 CFR 264.1101(a) and (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not
8 apply to this design because waste containing liquids will not be managed in the unit and waste
9 will not be treated with liquids.

10
11 Operations of the Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building

12 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
13 the waste within the pretreatment air filter package containment building, as required by
14 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).

15
16 Maintenance of the Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building

17 The protectively coated concrete floor and walls of the unit will be constructed and maintained in
18 a manner that will be free of significant cracks, gaps, corrosion, or other deterioration. The
19 protective coating will be compatible with materials that will be managed in the containment
20 building, which will include spent HEPA and HEME filters. No decontamination chemicals that
21 are incompatible with the coated concrete will be used.

22
23 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment
24 Building

25 The pretreatment air filter package containment building is designed to manage spent HEPA and
26 HEME filters. Conducting these activities in a C5 zone will prevent the spread of contaminated
27 materials. Restricted personnel access and controlled movement of equipment into and out of
28 the unit will decrease the possibility that waste will be tracked from the unit.

29
30 Personnel access to the pretreatment air filter package containment building, which is classified
31 as a C5 contamination area, will be restricted. Access to the unit will be allowed only under
32 limited circumstances, thereby limiting the potential for contacting the waste and tracking it from
33 the unit.

34
35 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the Pretreatment Air Filter
36 Package Containment Building

37 Conditions that could lead to a release from the pretreatment air filter package containment
38 building will be corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event of a
39 release of dangerous wastes from the containment building, actions required by 40 CFR
40 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative and operating methods that
41 will be used to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations.

42
43 Inspections of the Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building

44 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to a release of
45 waste from the pretreatment air filter package containment building. The inspection and

1 monitoring schedule and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit are included
2 in DWP Attachment 51, Chapter 6.

3
4 **4.2.4.5 LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building (L-0112)**

5 There will be six containment buildings in the LAW vitrification plant. The first is the LAW
6 locally shielded melter (LSM) gallery containment building, which will house the two LAW
7 Melters. The LAW Melters are designed to include a roller or wheel assembly that will be used
8 to move the melters in and out of the containment building. Spent LAW Melters will be
9 disconnected from the offgas system, feed lines, electrical lines, and instrumentation. Open ports
10 will be sealed. The sealed exterior of the melter will be decontaminated, if needed, prior to
11 removal from the containment building.

12
13 LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building Design

14 The LAW LSM gallery containment building will be completely enclosed within the LAW
15 vitrification plant. The unit will be designed to prevent the release and exposure of dangerous
16 constituents to the outside environment. The design and construction of the LAW vitrification
17 plant exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the LAW vitrification
18 plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier. Rainwater run-off will be
19 collected by roof drains and a drainage system with overflow drains. The approximate
20 dimensions of the unit are summarized in Table 4-12.

21
22 The melter feed slurry will be introduced to the LAW melters through double-walled stainless
23 steel feed lines. The feed lines will also be provided with bulges that will function as secondary
24 containment. A low point within the bulge will be incorporated into the design to allow drainage
25 to a sump located in the adjacent process room.

26
27 The only other sources of liquids that will be present in the cave are the waterline to the two film
28 cooler pipe washout spray rings, and the melter water jacket and connecting piping. These clean
29 water lines will be instrumented to detect leaks automatically. A rupture of either water line or a
30 waste feed line would be an abnormal event and the liquid would be contained within the outer
31 melter shield box and corrective measures would be initiated. Corrective action would start with
32 closure of the supply line and draining of remaining water outside the melter shield box, and
33 could require feed cutoff and melter idling or shut down. The amount of water that could be
34 released into the containment building would be unlikely to exceed a few gallons, which would
35 rapidly evaporate into the ambient air due to the high temperature in the cave under normal
36 operating conditions.

37
38 LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building Structure

39 The LAW LSM gallery containment building will be fully enclosed within the LAW vitrification
40 plant. Therefore, structural requirements for the containment building will be met by the design
41 standards of the LAW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit has sufficient
42 structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. Within the containment building will be
43 partitions between the LSMs. DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 provides documentation that
44 the seismic requirements for the LAW vitrification plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building
45 Code Seismic Design Requirements.

1
2 LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building Materials

3 The LAW LSM gallery containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced concrete.
4

5 Use of Incompatible Materials for the LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building

6 The wastes to be managed will include LAW LSM melters and consumables, which may be
7 metallic parts and failed equipment. Very little or no glass waste is expected to be present on the
8 exterior of the LSM, due to the design of the melter. Reagents that could cause the liner to leak,
9 corrode, or otherwise fail will not be used within the unit.
10

11 Primary Barrier Integrity in the LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building

12 The LAW LSM gallery containment building will be designed to withstand loads from the
13 movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found in
14 DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations,
15 and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.
16

17 Certification of Design for the LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building

18 Prior to the start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
19 the LAW LSM gallery containment building meets the design requirements of 40
20 CFR 264.1101(a), (b), and (c) will be obtained.
21

22 Operation of the LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building

23 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established and followed to ensure
24 containment of the waste within the LAW LSM gallery containment building, as required by
25 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1). Activities in the building will be remotely conducted.
26

27 Maintenance of the LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building

28 The concrete will be free of corrosion or other deterioration because it will be compatible with
29 materials that will be managed in the containment building, including the glass waste and
30 containerized or uncontainerized waste and equipment.
31

32 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building

33 The unit is designed to manage LAW melters. The melters will be disconnected from systems
34 when determined to be waste. The ports where the melter was attached to systems will be sealed
35 and glass waste will be contained within the melter. This design will prevent waste from
36 entering the containment building and thus from being tracked from the unit.
37

38 The unit will be classified as a C3 contamination area, which allows only limited personnel
39 access. Access will be required only for nonroutine events such as when melters are determined
40 to be waste, once every 4 to 5 years, or when equipment must be dismantled. Dry
41 decontamination methods using cloth will be used.
42

1 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the LAW LSM Gallery
2 Containment Building

3 Conditions that could lead to a release from the LAW LSM gallery containment building will be
4 corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event of a release of
5 dangerous wastes from the containment building, actions required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i)
6 through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative and operating methods that will be used to
7 satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations. The methods will be
8 followed to repair conditions that could lead to a release.

9
10 Inspections of the LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building

11 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to release of
12 wastes from the LAW LSM gallery containment building. The inspection and monitoring
13 schedule and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit are included in Chapter 6.
14

15 **4.2.4.6 ILAW Container Finishing Line Containment Building (L-0109B, L-0109C, L-**
16 **0109D, L-0109E, L-0115B, L-0115C, L-015D, L-0115E)**

17 The ILAW container finishing line containment building will be located in the LAW vitrification
18 plant. It will be used for managing ILAW containers that have cooled sufficiently to be closed
19 and prepared for finishing. Typical waste management activities performed in this containment
20 building include storage of uncontainerized waste and decontamination. An ILAW container is
21 transported from an inert filling and lidding room, to a decontamination room, and finally to a
22 swab and monitor room, and then out of the containment building. This sequence of rooms is
23 considered a finishing line. There are two finishing lines within the ILAW container finishing
24 line containment building.

25
26 ILAW Container Finishing Containment Building Design

27 The ILAW container finishing containment building will be completely enclosed within the
28 LAW vitrification plant. It will be designed to prevent the release and exposure of dangerous
29 constituents to the outside environment. The design and construction of the LAW vitrification
30 plant exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the LAW vitrification
31 plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier. Roof drains and drainage
32 system with overflow drains will collect run-off. The approximate dimensions of the unit are
33 summarized in Table 4-12.
34

35 ILAW Container Finishing Containment Building Structure

36 Because the ILAW container finishing containment building will be a concrete-walled structure
37 fully enclosed within the LAW vitrification plant, its structural requirements will be met by the
38 design standards of the LAW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit has
39 sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1
40 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the LAW vitrification plant meet or
41 exceed the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.
42

43 ILAW Container Finishing Containment Building Materials

44 The ILAW container finishing containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced
45 concrete.

1
2 Use of Incompatible Materials for the ILAW Container Finishing Containment Building

3 The waste to be managed includes vitrified waste glass within the stainless steel containers. No
4 glass waste is expected to be present on the exterior of the containers, due to the design of the
5 melter pour stations. The interior is the only portion of the container that will be exposed to the
6 glass waste. Additionally, the removal of glass will occur in the inert fill and lidding rooms.
7 Carbon dioxide pellets, also compatible with the stainless steel, will be used to remove
8 contamination from the container surface. Reagents that could cause the liner to leak, corrode, or
9 otherwise fail will not be used within the unit.

10
11 Primary Barrier Integrity in the ILAW Container Finishing Containment Building

12 The ILAW containment building will be designed to withstand loads from the movement of
13 personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found in DWP
14 Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations, and
15 structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

16
17 Certification of Design for the ILAW Container Finishing Containment Building

18 Prior to start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that the
19 ILAW containment building meets the design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(a) and (c) will
20 be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply to this design because the
21 waste managed in the unit will not contain free liquids and free liquids will not be used to treat
22 the waste.

23
24 Operation of the ILAW Container Finishing Containment Building

25 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
26 the waste within the ILAW containment building, as required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).
27 Activities in the building will be remotely conducted.

28
29 Maintenance of the ILAW Container Finishing Containment Building

30 The concrete will be free of corrosion or other deterioration because it will be compatible with
31 materials that will be managed in the containment building, which will include glass waste and
32 containerized waste and equipment. Wastes managed in the containment building will not be
33 stacked.

34
35 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the ILAW Container Finishing Containment
36 Building

37 The ILAW containment building is designed to sample, seal, and decontaminate the filled ILAW
38 containers. Conducting these activities in a C3 zone prevents the spread of contaminated
39 materials from the unit as air flow is managed in the LAW vitrification plant ventilation system.
40 The containment building is under negative pressure. Air flow through this containment building
41 goes to a C5 air system, which passes through HEPA filters before exiting the plant stack.

42
43 A vacuum cleanup system, located in the two inert fill rooms, is expected to be infrequently used
44 to collect dust from the inert filling activities, and thereby minimize the potential for dust to be
45 tracked from the unit. The dust will be disposed of as secondary waste. Additionally, personnel

1 access to the containment building, which is classified as a C3 contamination area, will be
2 allowed only under limited circumstances, reducing the potential for contacting the waste and
3 tracking it from the unit.

4
5 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the ILAW Container Finishing
6 Containment Building

7 Conditions that could lead to a release from the ILAW containment building will be corrected as
8 soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event of a release of dangerous wastes
9 from the containment building, actions required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will
10 be taken. Specific administrative and operating methods to satisfy this requirement will be
11 developed prior to the start of operations. The methods will be followed to repair conditions that
12 could lead to a release.

13
14 Inspections of the ILAW Container Finishing Containment Building

15 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to a release of
16 wastes from the ILAW container finishing containment building. The inspection and monitoring
17 schedule and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit are included in Chapter 6.

18
19 **4.2.4.7 LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/Export Containment Building**
20 **(L-0119B)**

21 The LAW vitrification plant consumable import/export containment building will be located in
22 the west end of the LAW vitrification plant on the 3 ft elevation. Typical waste management
23 activities performed in this containment building include decontamination, size reduction, and
24 packaging of spent equipment. Simple decontamination of components will be performed to
25 allow contact handling. Waste streams generated within the workshop will be volume reduced
26 as necessary by means of disassembly or other suitable means to fit standard packaging such as
27 drums and/or small boxes.

28
29 LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/Export Containment Building Design

30 The LAW vitrification plant consumable import/export containment building will be designed as
31 a completely enclosed area within the LAW vitrification plant. It is designed to prevent the
32 release of dangerous constituents and their exposure to the outside environment. The design and
33 construction of the LAW vitrification plant exterior will prevent water from running into the
34 plant. The roof of the LAW vitrification plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and
35 vapor barrier. Rainwater run-off will be collected by roof drains and drainage systems with
36 overflow roof drains. The approximate dimensions of the unit are summarized in Table 4-12.

37
38 LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/Export Containment Building Structure

39 The LAW vitrification plant consumable import/export containment building will be a
40 concrete-walled structure fully enclosed within the LAW vitrification plant. Therefore,
41 structural requirements for the containment building will be met by the design standards of the
42 LAW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit has sufficient structural strength to
43 prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 provides documentation that the
44 seismic requirements for the LAW vitrification plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building Code
45 Seismic Design Requirements.

1
2 LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/Export Containment Building Materials

3 The LAW vitrification plant consumable import/export containment building will be constructed
4 of steel-reinforced concrete.

5
6 Use of Incompatible Materials in the LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/Export
7 Containment Building

8 Activities in the unit will be limited to decontamination, size reduction, and packaging the waste
9 components into drums or waste boxes. Treatment reagents that could cause the liner or coating
10 to leak, corrode, or otherwise fail will not be used within the unit.

11
12 Primary Barrier Integrity in the LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/Export
13 Containment Building

14 The LAW vitrification plant consumable import/export containment building will be designed to
15 withstand loads from the movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic
16 design criteria found in DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design
17 loads, load combinations, and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

18
19 Certification of Design for the LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/Export Containment
20 Building

21 Prior to startup of operations, a certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
22 the LAW vitrification plant consumable import/export containment building meets the design
23 requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(a), (b), and (c) will be obtained.

24
25 Operation of the LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/Export Containment Building

26 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established and followed to ensure
27 containment of the wastes within the LAW vitrification plant C3 containment building unit as
28 required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).

29
30 Maintenance of the LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/Export Containment Building

31 The failed equipment that will be managed in the containment building unit will be compatible
32 with the concrete structure.

33
34 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/
35 Export Containment Building

36 The LAW vitrification plant consumable import/export containment building will be designed to
37 isolate failed equipment from the accessible environment and to prevent the spread of
38 contaminated materials. Very little dust is expected to be generated in the unit.

39
40 The containment building will be classified as a C3 contamination area, which allows only
41 limited access by personnel. Wastes leaving the unit will be enclosed within containers. If
42 necessary, these containers will be decontaminated in the unit prior to release and transportation
43 to a permitted storage area. Equipment leaving the unit will be decontaminated, when necessary,
44 before being released for removal from the cells.

1 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the LAW Vitrification Plant
2 Consumable Import/Export Containment Building

3 The design and operation of the unit makes it very unlikely that releases will occur. The design
4 and operational measures will minimize the generation of dust and contain it within the unit.
5 The ventilation system will also use negative air pressure to keep contamination from spreading
6 to areas of lesser contamination.
7

8 Inspections will identify conditions that could lead to a release. Such conditions will be
9 corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event that a release of
10 dangerous wastes from the containment building is detected, actions required by
11 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative and operating
12 methods that will be used to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of
13 operations. These methods will be followed to repair conditions that could lead to a release.
14

15 Inspections of the LAW Vitrification Plant Consumable Import/Export Containment Building

16 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to a release of
17 wastes from the LAW vitrification plant consumable import/export containment building. The
18 inspection and monitoring schedule and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit
19 are included in Chapter 6.
20

21 **4.2.4.8 C3 Workshop Containment Building (L-226A)**

22 The C3 workshop containment building will be located in the west side of the LAW vitrification
23 plant at elevation 28 ft.
24

25 Typical waste management activities performed in this containment building include
26 decontamination, size reduction, and packaging of spent equipment. Equipment will be
27 transported to the unit contained in shielded casks, drums, or in a standard waste box. In the
28 workshop, the equipment will be decontaminated to enable hands-on maintenance. Spent
29 equipment parts will be bagged and placed in standard waste containers or boxes for disposal.
30 Size reduction may be performed to facilitate packaging. Other spent equipment will be
31 packaged in drums or standard waste boxes.
32

33 C3 Workshop Containment Building Design

34 The C3 workshop containment building will be a completely enclosed area within the LAW
35 vitrification plant. It will be designed to prevent the release of dangerous waste and their
36 exposure to the outside environment. The design and construction of the LAW vitrification plant
37 exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the LAW vitrification plant
38 will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and vapor barrier. Rainwater run-off will be
39 collected by roof drains and drainage systems with overflow roof drains. The approximate
40 dimensions of the unit are summarized in Table 4-12.
41

42 C3 Workshop Containment Building Structure

43 The C3 workshop containment building will be fully enclosed within the LAW vitrification
44 plant. Therefore, structural requirements for the containment building will be met by the design

1 standards of the LAW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit has sufficient
2 structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 provides
3 documentation that the seismic requirements for the LAW vitrification plant meet or exceed the
4 Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

5
6 C3 Workshop Containment Building Materials

7 The C3 workshop containment building will be constructed of a steel-reinforced concrete floor
8 and plasterboard partition walls.

9
10 Use of Incompatible Materials in the C3 Workshop Containment Building

11 Activities in the unit will be limited to decontamination, size reduction, and packaging the waste
12 components into drums or waste boxes. Treatment reagents that could cause the liner or coating
13 to leak, corrode, or otherwise fail will not be used within the unit.

14
15 Primary Barrier Integrity in the C3 Workshop Containment Building

16 The C3 workshop containment building is designed to withstand loads from the movement of
17 personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found in DWP
18 Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations, and
19 structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

20
21 Certification of Design for the C3 Workshop Containment Building

22 Prior to startup of operations, a certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
23 the C3 workshop containment building meets the design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(a)
24 and (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply to this design
25 because the waste managed in the unit will not contain free liquids or be treated with free liquids.

26
27 Operation of the C3 Workshop Containment Building

28 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established and followed to ensure
29 containment of the wastes within the C3 workshop containment building unit as required by
30 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).

31
32 Maintenance of the C3 Workshop Containment Building

33 The concrete will be constructed and maintained in a manner that will be free of significant
34 cracks, gaps, corrosion, or other deterioration. The concrete will remain free of corrosion or
35 other deterioration because it is compatible with materials that will be managed in the
36 containment building. The failed equipment that will be managed in the containment building
37 unit will be compatible with the concrete. Only decontamination chemicals that are compatible
38 with the concrete will be used.

39
40 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the C3 Workshop Containment Building

41 The C3 workshop containment building will be designed to isolate failed equipment from the
42 accessible environment and to prevent the spread of contaminated materials. Very little dust is
43 expected to be generated in the unit.

1 The containment building classified as a C3 contamination area, which allows only limited
2 access by personnel. Personnel access will be via a C2/C3 subchange room. Equipment will
3 enter and exit the workshop via a C2/C3 airlock. Wastes leaving the unit will be enclosed within
4 containers. If necessary, the containers will be decontaminated in the unit prior to transportation
5 to a permitted storage area. Equipment leaving the unit will be decontaminated, when necessary,
6 before being released for removal from the cells.

7
8 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the C3 Workshop Containment
9 Building

10 The design and operation of the unit makes it very unlikely that releases will occur. The design
11 and operational measures will minimize the generation of dust and contain it within the unit.
12 The ventilation system will also use negative air pressure to keep contamination from areas of
13 lesser contamination. Offgas will be routed to the LAW offgas treatment system.

14
15 Inspections will identify conditions that could lead to a release. Such conditions will be
16 corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event that a release of
17 dangerous wastes from the containment building is detected, actions required by
18 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative and operating
19 methods that will be used to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of
20 operations. These methods will be followed to repair conditions that could lead to a release.

21
22 Inspections of the C3 Workshop Containment Building

23 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to a release of
24 wastes from the C3 workshop containment building. The inspection and monitoring schedule
25 and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit are included in Chapter 6.

26
27 **4.2.4.9 LAW Pour Cave Containment Building (L-B009B, L-B011B, L-B011C,**
28 **L-B013B, L-B013C, L-B015A)**

29 The LAW pour cave containment building (rooms L-B009B, L-B011B, L-B011C, L-B013B,
30 L-B013C, L-B015A) will be located in the LAW vitrification plant, elevation -21 ft. It will be
31 used for managing ILAW containers as they are filled with glass from the LAW Melters
32 (LAW-MLTR-00001/2). The filled ILAW containers will be allowed to cool with the lids off
33 the container. Cooled ILAW containers will be transferred to the ILAW container finishing line
34 containment building for lidding and preparation for export to a storage facility.

35
36 LAW Pour Cave Containment Building Design

37 The LAW pour cave containment building will be completely enclosed within the LAW
38 vitrification plant, which will be designed to prevent the release and exposure of dangerous
39 constituents to the outside environment. The design and construction of the LAW vitrification
40 plant exterior will prevent precipitation from entering into the plant. The roof of the LAW
41 vitrification plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier. Roof drains
42 and drainage system with overflow drains will collect run-off. The approximate dimensions of
43 the unit are summarized in Table 4-12.

1 LAW Pour Cave Containment Building Structure

2 Because the LAW pour cave containment building will be a concrete-walled structure fully
3 enclosed within the LAW vitrification plant, its structural requirements will be met by the design
4 standards of the LAW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit has sufficient
5 structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 provides
6 documentation that the seismic requirements for the LAW vitrification plant meet or exceed the
7 Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

8
9 LAW Pour Cave Containment Building Materials

10 The LAW pour cave containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced concrete.

11
12 Use of Incompatible Materials for the LAW Pour Cave Containment Building

13 The waste to be managed includes vitrified waste glass within the stainless steel containers. No
14 glass waste is expected to be present on the exterior of the containers, due to the design of the
15 melter pour stations. The interior is the only portion of the container that will be exposed to the
16 glass waste. Reagents that could cause corrosion or other failure will not be used within the unit.

17
18 Primary Barrier Integrity in the LAW Pour Cave Containment Building

19 The LAW pour cave containment building will be designed to withstand loads from the
20 movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found in
21 *RPP-WTP Compliance with Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements*, DWP
22 Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations, and
23 structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

24
25 Certification of Design for the LAW Pour Cave Containment Building

26 Prior to start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that the
27 LAW pour cave containment building meets the design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(a) and
28 (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply to this design
29 because the waste managed in the unit will not contain free liquids and free liquids will not be
30 used to treat the waste.

31
32 Operation of the LAW Pour Cave Containment Building

33 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
34 the waste within the LAW pour cave containment building, as required by 40
35 CFR 264.1101(c)(1). Activities in the building will be remotely conducted during normal
36 operation when ILAW containers are present.

37
38 Maintenance of the LAW Pour Cave Containment Building

39 The concrete will be free of corrosion or other deterioration because it will be compatible with
40 materials that will be managed in the containment building, which will include containerized
41 glass waste and equipment. Wastes managed in the containment building will not be stacked.

42
43 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the LAW Pour Cave Containment Building

44 The LAW pour cave containment building is designed to manage the filling and movement of
45 ILAW containers. Conducting these activities in a C5 zone prevents the spread of contaminated

1 materials from the unit as airflow is managed in the LAW vitrification plant ventilation system.
2 The containment building is under negative pressure. Airflow through this containment building
3 goes to a C5 air system, which passes through HEPA filters before exiting the plant stack.
4 Personnel access will be restricted during normal operation since it is classified as a C5
5 contamination area. The containment building may be reclassified as a C3 area for equipment
6 maintenance.

7
8 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the LAW Pour Cave
9 Containment Building

10 Conditions that could lead to a release from the LAW pour cave containment building will be
11 corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event of a release of
12 dangerous wastes from the containment building, actions required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i)
13 through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative and operating methods to satisfy this
14 requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations. The methods will be developed to
15 repair conditions that could lead to a release.

16
17 Inspections of the LAW Pour Cave Containment Building

18 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to a release of
19 wastes from the LAW pour cave containment building. The inspection and monitoring schedule
20 and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit are included in Chapter 6.

21
22 **4.2.4.10 LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment Building (L-B025C, L-B025D)**

23 The LAW container buffer storage containment building (rooms L-B025C, L-B0025D) will be
24 located in the LAW vitrification plant, elevation -21 ft. It will be used for managing ILAW
25 containers as after they are filled with glass from the LAW Melters (LAW-MLTR-00001/2).
26 The filled ILAW containers will be allowed to cool with the lids off the container. Cooled
27 ILAW containers will be transferred to the ILAW container finishing line containment building
28 for lidding and preparation for export to a storage facility.

29
30 LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment Building Design

31 The LAW container buffer storage containment building will be completely enclosed within the
32 LAW vitrification plant, which will be designed to prevent the release and exposure of
33 dangerous constituents to the outside environment. The design and construction of the LAW
34 vitrification plant exterior will prevent precipitation from entering into the plant. The roof of the
35 LAW vitrification plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier. Roof
36 drains and drainage system with overflow drains will collect run-off. The approximate
37 dimensions of the unit are summarized in Table 4-12.

38
39 LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment Building Structure

40 Because the LAW container buffer storage containment building will be a concrete-walled
41 structure fully enclosed within the LAW vitrification plant, its structural requirements will be
42 met by the design standards of the LAW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit
43 has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51,

1 Supplement 1 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the LAW vitrification
2 plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

3
4 LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment Building Materials

5 The LAW container buffer storage containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced
6 concrete.

7
8 Use of Incompatible Materials for the LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment Building

9 The waste to be managed includes vitrified waste glass within the stainless steel containers. No
10 glass waste is expected to be present on the exterior of the containers. The interior is the only
11 portion of the container that will be exposed to the glass waste. Reagents that could cause
12 corrosion or other failure will not be used within the unit.

13
14 Primary Barrier Integrity in the LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment Building

15 The LAW container buffer storage containment building will be designed to withstand loads
16 from the movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria
17 found in *RPP-WTP Compliance with Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements*,
18 DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations,
19 and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

20
21 Certification of Design for the LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment Building

22 Prior to start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that the
23 LAW container buffer storage containment building meets the design requirements of 40
24 CFR 264.1101(a) and (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not
25 apply to this design because the waste managed in the unit will not contain free liquids and free
26 liquids will not be used to treat the waste.

27
28 Operation of the LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment Building

29 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
30 the waste within the LAW container buffer storage containment building, as required by 40
31 CFR 264.1101(c)(1). Activities in the building will be remotely conducted during normal
32 operation when ILAW containers are present.

33
34 Maintenance of the LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment Building

35 The concrete will be free of corrosion or other deterioration because it will be compatible with
36 materials that will be managed in the containment building, which will include containerized
37 glass waste and equipment. Wastes managed in the containment building will not be stacked.

38
39 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment
40 Building

41 The LAW container buffer storage containment building is designed to manage the movement
42 and storage of ILAW containers. Conducting these activities in a C5 zone prevents the spread of
43 contaminated materials from the unit as airflow is managed in the LAW vitrification plant
44 ventilation system. The containment building is under negative pressure. Airflow through this
45 containment building goes to a C5 air system, which passes through HEPA filters before exiting

1 the plant stack. Personnel access will be restricted during normal operation since it is classified
2 as a C5 contamination area. The containment building may be reclassified as a C3 area for
3 equipment maintenance.

4
5 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the LAW Container Buffer
6 Storage Containment Building

7 Conditions that could lead to a release from the LAW container buffer storage containment
8 building will be corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event of a
9 release of dangerous wastes from the containment building, actions required by
10 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative and operating
11 methods to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations. The
12 methods will be developed to repair conditions that could lead to a release.

13
14 Inspections of the LAW Container Buffer Storage Containment Building

15 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to a release of
16 wastes from the LAW container buffer storage containment building. The inspection and
17 monitoring schedule and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit are included
18 in Chapter 6.

19
20
21 **4.2.4.11 HLW Melter Cave No. 1 Containment Building (H-0117, H-0116B, H-0310A) and**
22 **HLW Melter Cave No. 2 Containment Buildings (H-0106, H-0105B, H-0304A)**

23 The HLW melter cave no. 1 and HLW melter cave no. 2 containment buildings are located in the
24 central portion of the HLW vitrification plant. The each of the containment buildings will house
25 an HLW melter cave, an overpack C3/C5 airlock, and an equipment decontamination area.

26
27 Typical waste management activities performed in these containment buildings include the
28 dismantling and packaging of spent consumables and decontamination of equipment for
29 hands-on maintenance. The types of spent consumables will include waste recirculators, lid
30 heaters, bubblers, thermocouples, and jumpers. When spent consumables are ready for change
31 out, they will be placed on a consumable storage rack while awaiting size reduction. The
32 consumables will be reduced in size by dismantling or cutting the spent equipment, or both. This
33 process will be remotely conducted on tables in the containment building. The spent
34 consumables will be placed in baskets and lowered into containers in a transfer tunnel that passes
35 under the HLW melter cave no. 1 and 2 containment buildings (H-0117, H-0116B, H-0310A and
36 H-0106, H-0105B, H-0304A). The C3/C5 airlocks will be used for packing or unpacking
37 melters or their components.

38
39 In case of a HLW melter failure, the melter will be evaluated for meeting the receiving TSD
40 waste acceptance criteria, particularly in terms of the radiological contamination in the HLW
41 glass residue present in the melter, before it is placed in an overpack.

42
43 The equipment decontamination area located within the melter cave containment building will
44 house the Decontamination Tanks (HSH-TK-00001/2) where equipment removed from the
45 melter cave will be decontaminated prior to maintenance. The equipment will be initially

1 decontaminated by soaking in the decontamination tank. After evaluation, additional
2 decontamination may be performed using manipulators before the levels are acceptable for
3 hands-on maintenance.

4
5 Located within the melter cave containment building will be the HLW melter; the submerged
6 bed scrubber and HEMEs, which will function as part of the melter offgas system, the Feed
7 Preparation Vessels (HFP-VSL-00001/5), and the HLW Melter Feed Vessels (HFP-VSL-00002/
8 6). These tank systems will have secondary containment and are addressed section 4.2.2.

9
10 HLW Melter Cave No. 1 and HLW Melter Cave No. 2 Containment Building Design

11 The two HLW melter containment buildings are completely enclosed within the HLW
12 vitrification plant. Each of the melter cave containment buildings will house an HLW melter
13 cave, an overpack C3/C5 airlock cell, and an equipment decontamination area. Both melter cave
14 containment buildings are designed to prevent the release of dangerous constituents and exposure
15 to the outside environment. The design and construction of the HLW vitrification plant exterior
16 will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the HLW vitrification plant will be
17 metal. Run-off will be collected by roof drains and a drainage system with overflow roof drains.

18
19 The containment building design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply because the
20 liquid dangerous wastes managed in the HLW melter containment building are addressed under
21 tank systems (see section 4.2.2).

22
23 HLW Melter Cave No. 1 and HLW Melter Cave No. 2 Containment Building Structure

24 The HLW melter cave no. 1 and 2 containment buildings will be a fully enclosed,
25 concrete-walled structure within the HLW vitrification plant. Therefore, its structural
26 requirements will be met by the design standards of the HLW vitrification plant. The design will
27 ensure that the unit has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP
28 Attachment 51, Supplement 1 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the
29 HLW vitrification plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design
30 Requirements.

31
32 HLW Melter Cave No. 1 and HLW Melter Cave No. 2 Containment Building Materials

33 The HLW melter cave no. 1 and 2 containment buildings will be constructed of steel-reinforced
34 concrete. The interior floor and a portion of the walls of the unit will be lined with stainless
35 steel, except for the C3/C5 airlock. The height of the lining is summarized in Table 4-11.

36
37 Use of Incompatible Materials for the HLW Melter Cave No. 1 and HLW Melter Cave No. 2
38 Containment Buildings

39 A partial stainless steel liner will be provided for the containment buildings, except for the
40 C3/C5 airlock. The C3/C5 airlock will be partially lined with a protective coating. The stainless
41 steel will be compatible with the wastes that will be managed, which will include spent melters
42 and consumables, including air spargers, metallic parts, and refractory bricks. Treatment
43 reagents that could cause the liner to leak, corrode, or otherwise fail will not be used within the
44 unit.

1 Primary Barrier Integrity in the HLW Cave No. Melter 1 and HLW Melter Cave No. 2

2 Containment Buildings

3 The HLW melter cave no. 1 and 2 containment buildings are designed to withstand loads from
4 the movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found
5 in DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations,
6 and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

7
8 Certification of Design for the HLW Cave No. Melter 1 and HLW Melter Cave No. 2

9 Containment Buildings

10 Prior to the start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
11 the HLW melter containment building meets the design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(a) and
12 (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply to this design
13 because liquid dangerous wastes present in the containment building will be managed in tank
14 systems with secondary containment systems, as presented in section 4.2.2.

15
16 Operation of the HLW Melter Cave No. 1 and HLW Melter Cave No. 2 Containment Buildings

17 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established and followed to ensure
18 containment of the wastes within the HLW melter containment building, as required by
19 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).

20
21 Maintenance of the HLW Melter Cave No. 1 and HLW Melter Cave No. 2 Containment
22 Buildings

23 The partial stainless steel lining of the containment building will be designed and constructed in
24 a manner that will be free of significant cracks, gaps, corrosion, or other deterioration. The liner
25 will be welded at each seam. The stainless steel liner will be free of corrosion or other
26 deterioration because it will be compatible with materials that will be managed in the
27 containment building, which will include spent melters and spent equipment. Only
28 decontamination chemicals that are compatible with the liner will be used.

29
30 Wastes managed in the containment building will not be stacked. In general, waste will be
31 placed in containers and removed from the containment building.

32
33 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the HLW Melter Cave No. 1 and HLW Melter Cave
34 No. 2 Containment Building

35 The HLW melter cave no. 1 and 2 containment building design and operating methods include
36 several measures that will prevent wastes from being tracked from the unit. Measures that will
37 be implemented include:

- 38
39
- 40 • Limiting the movement of personnel and material from the unit
 - 41 • Using shield doors to prevent the inadvertent spread of contamination
 - 42 • Decontaminating materials or containers before they are released from the unit
 - 43 • Using C5 ventilation as a primary containment method

1 Personnel access to the HLW melter caves, which are classified as a C5 contamination area, will
2 be restricted. Personnel operating in melter cave C3/C5 airlocks will not be in contact with spent
3 melters because they will be encased in overpack containers.

4
5 Export of equipment from the melter caves will be kept to a minimum by performing in-cave
6 maintenance to the maximum extent possible. The design of the cave and equipment includes
7 master-slave manipulators, special tools, and a tool import port that will enable maintenance
8 operations to be conducted remotely without removing the equipment from the cave. When
9 equipment must be removed for hands-on maintenance, it will be transferred through shield
10 doors into the Decontamination Tank (HSH-TK-00001/2) or the crane decontamination area
11 (C3/C5) above the C3/C5 airlock. The equipment will be transferred to the maintenance room
12 only after it has been decontaminated in Decontamination Tank HSH-TK-00001/2, and in the
13 equipment decontamination area, if needed.

14
15 Spent consumables and wastes will be size-reduced in the cave and exported to drums through an
16 air lock, which is designed to provide containment of contamination between the C5 melter cave
17 and the C3 drum transfer tunnel. Export of spent Melters will be controlled to prevent the spread
18 of contamination. Melters will be transferred into overpack containers that are docked with the
19 shield doors to the C3/C5 airlock.

20
21 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the HLW Melter Cave No. 1
22 and HLW Melter Cave No. 2 Containment Buildings

23 Conditions that could lead to a release from the HLW melter cave no. 1 and HLW melter cave
24 no. 2 containment buildings will be corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the
25 unlikely event of a release of dangerous wastes from either containment building, actions
26 required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative and
27 operating methods to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations.

28
29 Inspections of the HLW Melter Cave No. 1 and HLW Melter Cave No. 2 Containment Buildings

30 An inspection program will be established as required under WAC 173-303-695 to detect
31 conditions that could lead to the release of wastes from the HLW melter cave no. 1 and HLW
32 melter cave no. 2 containment buildings. The inspection and monitoring schedule and methods
33 that will be used to detect a release from the unit are included in Chapter 6.

34
35 **4.2.4.12 IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building (H-0136)**

36 The HLW canister handling cave containment building will be located in the southern portion of
37 the HLW vitrification plant. Typical waste management activities performed within this
38 containment building include the storage of uncontainerized waste. Located within the
39 containment building will be two cooling and buffer storage areas and two container welding and
40 rework stations. IHLW canisters that have cooled enough to leave the pour areas will be
41 transported to the canister handling cave containment building by means of an overhead crane.
42 The IHLW glass waste will continue to cool in the buffer storage areas. When adequately
43 cooled, canisters will be moved to one of the two weld and rework cells, where the temporary lid
44 that had been placed on the canister will be removed and the permanent lid will be welded onto
45 the canister. The IHLW container will then be transported to the IHLW canister swabbing and

1 monitoring cave containment building. Container management practices are discussed in
2 section 4.2.1.

3
4 IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building Design

5 The IHLW canister handling cave containment building will be completely enclosed within the
6 HLW vitrification plant. The design and construction of the HLW vitrification plant exterior
7 will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the HLW vitrification plant will be
8 metal. Run-off will be collected by roof drains and a drainage system with overflow roof drains.
9 The unit is designed to prevent the release and exposure of dangerous constituents to the outside
10 environment. Its approximate dimensions are summarized in Table 4-12.

11
12 IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building Structure

13 Because the IHLW canister handling cave containment building will be a concrete-walled
14 structure fully enclosed within the HLW vitrification plant, its structural requirements will be
15 met by the design standards of the HLW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit
16 has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51,
17 Supplement 1 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the HLW vitrification
18 plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

19
20 IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building Unit Materials

21 The IHLW canister handling cave containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced
22 concrete. The interior floor and a portion of the walls of the unit will be lined with stainless
23 steel. The height of the lining will be determined as design progresses.

24
25 Use of Incompatible Materials for the IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building

26 The partial stainless steel liner will be provided for the IHLW containment building that will be
27 compatible with the steel canisters that will be managed. Treatment reagents that could cause the
28 liner to leak, corrode, or otherwise fail will not be used in the unit.

29
30 Primary Barrier Integrity in the IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building

31 The HLW vitrification plant is designed to withstand loads from the movement of personnel,
32 wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found in DWP Attachment 51,
33 Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations, and structural
34 acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

35
36 Certification of Design for the IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building

37 Prior to the start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
38 the IHLW canister handling cave containment building meets the design requirements of 40
39 CFR 264.1101(a) and (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not
40 apply to this design because waste containing free liquid will not be managed in the containment
41 building and the waste will not be treated with free liquids.
42

1 Operation of the IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building

2 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
3 the wastes within the IHLW canister handling cave containment building, as required by 40
4 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).

5
6 Maintenance of the IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building

7 The partial stainless steel lining of the containment building will be constructed and maintained
8 in a manner that will be free of significant cracks, gaps, corrosion, or other deterioration. The
9 stainless steel liner will be welded at each seam, and will be free of corrosion or other
10 deterioration because it will be compatible with materials that will be managed in the
11 containment building, including the stainless steel containers. Only decontamination chemicals
12 that are compatible with the liner will be used.

13
14 Wastes that will be managed in the containment building will not be stacked higher than the unit
15 wall; however, wastes are not anticipated to be stacked.

16
17 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment
18 Building

19 The IHLW canister handling cave containment building is designed to store cooling IHLW glass
20 waste containers and weld the lids onto the containers.

21
22 The outside of the canister will be inspected to see whether glass is present on the container. If
23 glass is found, it will be removed using a needle gun or other mechanical method. The glass
24 shards will be collected for disposal in a shop-type vacuum and disposed of as a secondary
25 waste. The containment building will be classified as a C5 contamination area, and therefore
26 personnel access will be restricted. Wastes leaving the unit will be within containers.

27
28 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the IHLW Canister Handling
29 Cave Containment Building

30 Conditions that could lead to a release from the IHLW canister handling cave containment
31 building will be corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event of a
32 release of dangerous wastes from the containment building, actions required by
33 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative and operating
34 methods to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations.

35
36 Inspections of the IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building

37 An inspection program will be established as required under WAC 173-303-695 to detect
38 conditions that could lead to the release of wastes from the IHLW canister handling cave
39 containment building. The inspection and monitoring schedule and methods that will be used to
40 detect a release from the unit are included in Chapter 6.

41
42 **4.2.4.13 IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment Building (H-0133)**

43 The IHLW canister swab and monitoring cave containment building is located in the southeast
44 portion of the HLW vitrification plant (room H-0133). The systems associated with the

1 swabbing and monitoring activities in the cave include overhead crane, grapples, power
2 manipulator, swabbing turntable, and swabbing waste storage container.

3
4 After decontamination in the Decontamination Tanks (HSH-TK-0001/2), the canister is moved
5 to the canister swab and monitoring building and placed on the turntable. The turntable provides
6 a base on which the canister is set and rotated while the surface swabbing is performed. When
7 surface cleanliness has been verified, the canister is placed in the canister storage bogie and
8 transferred to the canister storage cave.

9
10 IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment Building Design

11 The IHLW canister swab and monitoring cave containment building will be completely enclosed
12 within the HLW vitrification plant, and will be designed to prevent the release of dangerous
13 constituents and their exposure to the outside environment. The design and construction of the
14 HLW vitrification plant exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the
15 HLW vitrification plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier.
16 Run-off will be collected by roof drains and a drainage system with overflow roof drains. Unit
17 dimensions are summarized in Table 4-12.

18 The containment building design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply because
19 there are no liquid wastes managed in the IHLW canister swab and monitoring cave containment
20 building.

21
22 IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment Building Structure

23 Because the IHLW canister swab and monitoring cave building will be a concrete-walled
24 structure fully enclosed within the HLW vitrification plant, its structural requirements will be
25 met by the design standards of the HLW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit
26 has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51,
27 Supplement 1 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the HLW vitrification
28 plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

29
30 IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment Building Unit Materials

31 The IHLW canister swab and monitoring cave containment building will be constructed of
32 steel-reinforced concrete. The interior floor and a portion of the walls of the unit will be covered
33 with protective coating.

34
35 Use of Incompatible Materials for the IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment
36 Building

37 Treatment reagents that could cause the protective coating to leak, corrode, or otherwise fail will
38 not be used within the unit.

39
40 Primary Barrier Integrity in the IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment
41 Building

42 The IHLW canister swab and monitoring cave building is designed to withstand loads from the
43 movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found in

1 DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations,
2 and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

3
4 Certification of Design for the IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment Building

5 Prior to the start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
6 the IHLW canister swab and monitoring cave containment building meets the design
7 requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(a) and (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40
8 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply to this design because there are no free liquids managed in the
9 unit.

10
11 Operation of the IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment Building

12 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
13 the wastes within the IHLW canister swab and monitoring cave containment building, as
14 required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).

15
16 Maintenance of the IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment Building

17 The protective coating of the containment building will be maintained in a manner that will be
18 free of significant cracks, gaps, corrosion, or other deterioration. Only decontamination
19 chemicals that are compatible with the liner will be used. Wastes are not expected to be stacked
20 within the unit.

21
22 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave
23 Containment Building

24 The IHLW canister swab and monitoring cave containment building is designed to manage
25 canisters that are swabbed to determine whether they meet the surface radiological requirements.
26 The containment building will be a C3 area. The air from the unit passes through HEPA
27 filtration prior to discharge out of the plant stack.

28
29 Personnel access to the canister swab and monitoring cave containment building, which is
30 classified as a C3 area, will be limited. Therefore, personnel moving into and out of the unit will
31 not track contamination out of the unit.

32
33 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the IHLW Canister Swab and
34 Monitoring Cave Containment Building

35 Conditions that could lead to a release from the IHLW canister swab and monitoring cave
36 containment building will be corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the
37 unlikely event of a release of dangerous wastes from the containment building, actions required
38 by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Administrative and operating methods
39 to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations.

40
41 Inspections of the IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment Building

42 An inspection program will be established as required under WAC 173-303-695 to detect
43 conditions that could lead to release of wastes from the IHLW canister swab and monitoring
44 cave containment building. The inspection and monitoring schedule and methods that will be
45 used to detect a release are included in Chapter 6.

1
2 **4.2.4.14 C3 Workshop Containment Building (H-0311A, H-0311B)**

3 The C3 workshop containment building will be located in the northeast side of the HLW
4 vitrification plant at elevation 37 ft.

5
6 Typical waste management activities performed in this containment building include
7 decontamination, size reduction, and packaging of spent equipment. Equipment will be
8 transported to the unit contained in shielded casks, drums, or in a standard waste box. In the
9 workshop, the equipment will be decontaminated to enable hands-on maintenance. Spent
10 equipment parts will be bagged and placed in standard waste containers or boxes for disposal.
11 Size reduction may be performed to facilitate packaging. Other spent equipment will be
12 packaged in drums or standard waste boxes.

13
14 C3 Workshop Containment Building Design

15 The C3 workshop containment building will be designed as a completely enclosed area within
16 the HLW vitrification plant. It will be designed to prevent the release of dangerous waste and
17 their exposure to the outside environment. The design and construction of the HLW vitrification
18 plant exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the HLW vitrification
19 plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and vapor barrier. Rainwater run-off will be
20 collected by roof drains and drainage systems with overflow roof drains. The approximate
21 dimensions of the unit are summarized in Table 4-12.

22
23 C3 Workshop Containment Building Structure

24 The C3 workshop containment building will be a concrete-walled structure fully enclosed within
25 the HLW vitrification plant. Therefore, structural requirements for the containment building will
26 be met by the design standards of the HLW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the
27 unit has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51,
28 Supplement 1 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the HLW vitrification
29 plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

30
31 C3 Workshop Containment Building Materials

32 The C3 workshop containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced concrete. The
33 interior floor and a portion of the walls of the unit will be lined with stainless steel or protective
34 coating.

35
36 Use of Incompatible Materials in the C3 Workshop Containment Building

37 A partial stainless steel liner or protective coating will be provided for this unit. Stainless steel
38 or the protective coating will be compatible with the equipment wastes that will be managed.
39 Activities in the unit will be limited to decontamination, size reduction, and packaging the waste
40 components into drums or waste boxes. Treatment reagents that could cause the liner or coating
41 to leak, corrode, or otherwise fail will not be used within the unit.

42
43 Primary Barrier Integrity in the C3 Workshop Containment Building

44 The C3 workshop containment building is designed to withstand loads from the movement of
45 personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found in DWP

1 Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations, and
2 structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.
3

4 Certification of Design for the C3 Workshop Containment Building

5 Prior to startup of operations, a certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
6 the C3 workshop containment building meets the design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(a)
7 and (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply to this design
8 because the waste managed in the unit will not contain free liquids or be treated with free liquids.
9

10 Operation of the C3 Workshop Containment Building

11 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established and followed to ensure
12 containment of the dangerous wastes within the C3 workshop containment building unit as
13 required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).
14

15 Maintenance of the C3 Workshop Containment Building

16 The stainless steel lining or protective coating of the unit will be constructed and maintained in a
17 manner that will be free of significant cracks, gaps, corrosion, or other deterioration. The
18 stainless steel liner or the protective coating will remain free of corrosion or other deterioration
19 because it is compatible with materials that will be managed in the containment building. The
20 failed equipment that will be managed in the containment building unit will be compatible with
21 stainless steel or the protective coating. Only decontamination chemicals that are compatible
22 with the liner or coating will be used.
23

24 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the C3 Workshop Containment Building

25 The C3 workshop containment building will be designed to isolate failed equipment from the
26 accessible environment and to prevent the spread of contaminated materials. Very little dust is
27 expected to be generated in the unit.
28

29 The containment building will be classified as a C3 contamination area, which allows only
30 limited access by personnel. Personnel access will be via a C2/C3 subchange room. Equipment
31 will enter and exit the workshop via a C2/C3 airlock. Wastes leaving the unit will be enclosed
32 within containers. If necessary, the containers will be decontaminated in the unit prior to
33 transportation to a permitted storage area. Equipment leaving the unit will be decontaminated,
34 when necessary, before being released for removal from the cells.
35

36 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the C3 Workshop Containment
37 Building

38 The design and operation of the unit makes it very unlikely that releases will occur. The design
39 and operational measures will minimize the generation of dust and contain it within the unit. In
40 the unlikely event that a release of dangerous wastes from the containment building is detected,
41 actions required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Specific administrative
42 and operating methods that will be used to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the
43 start of operations. These methods will be followed to repair conditions that could lead to a
44 release.
45

1 Inspections of the C3 Workshop Containment Building

2 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to a release of
3 wastes from the C3 workshop containment building. The inspection and monitoring schedule
4 and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit are included in Chapter 6.
5

6 **4.2.4.15 Filter Cave Containment Building (H-0104)**

7 The filter cave containment building is located in the northwest portion of the plant. The filter
8 cave containment building will manage spent HEPA filters via an overhead crane. The crane
9 transports the spent filters to a size reduction station and then places them inside a disposal
10 container. The disposal container is then transported via cart, through an air lock and shield
11 doors and to a load-out area for storage pending final disposal. The containment building also
12 houses a hands-on crane decontamination and repair area.
13

14 Filter Cave Containment Building Design

15 The filter cave containment building will be completely enclosed within the HLW vitrification
16 plant, and will be designed to prevent the release and exposure of dangerous constituents to the
17 outside environment. The design and construction of the HLW vitrification plant exterior will
18 prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the HLW vitrification plant will consist of
19 metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier. Run-on will be collected by roof drains and a
20 drainage system with overflow drains. The approximate dimensions of the containment building
21 are summarized in Table 4-12.
22

23 Filter Cave Containment Building Structure

24 Because the filter cave containment building will be a concrete-walled structure fully enclosed
25 within the HLW vitrification plant, its requirements will be met by the design standards of the
26 HLW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit has sufficient structural strength to
27 prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 provides documentation that the
28 seismic requirements for the HLW vitrification plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building Code
29 Seismic Design Requirements.
30

31 Filter Cave Containment Building Materials

32 The filter cave containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced concrete. The
33 interior floor and a portion of the walls will be lined with a protective coating.
34

35 Use of Incompatible Materials for the Filter Cave Containment Building

36 A protective coating will be provided for the containment building. The coating will be
37 compatible with the wastes that will be managed in the unit, which will include spent HEPA
38 filters. Activities in the unit will be limited to HEPA filter change out and size reduction and
39 waste packaging. Treatment reagents that could cause the protective coating to leak, corrode, or
40 otherwise fail will not be used within the unit.
41

42 Primary Barrier Integrity in the Filter Cave Containment Building

43 The filter cave containment building will be designed to withstand loads from the movement of
44 personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found in DWP

1 Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations, and
2 structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

3
4 Certification of Design for the Filter Cave Containment Building

5 Prior to the start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
6 the filter cave containment building meets the design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(a) and
7 (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply to this design
8 because dangerous waste containing free liquids will not be managed in the unit and waste will
9 not be treated with free liquids.

10
11 Operation of the Filter Cave Containment Building

12 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
13 the waste within the filter cave containment building, as required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).

14
15 Maintenance of the Filter Cave Containment Building

16 The protectively-coated concrete floor and walls of the unit will be constructed and maintained
17 in a manner that will be free of significant cracks, gaps, corrosion, or other deterioration. The
18 protective coating will be compatible with materials that will be managed in the containment
19 building, which will include spent HEPA filters. No decontamination chemicals that are
20 incompatible with the coated concrete will be used.

21
22 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the Filter Cave Containment Building

23 The filter cave containment building is designed to manage spent HEPA filters. Conducting
24 these activities in a C5 zone will prevent the spread of contaminated materials. Controlled
25 movement of equipment into and out of the unit will decrease the possibility that waste will be
26 tracked from the unit.

27
28 Personnel access to the filter cave containment building, which is classified as a C5
29 contamination area, will be restricted.

30
31 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the Filter Cave Containment
32 Building

33 Conditions that could lead to a release from the filter cave containment building will be corrected
34 as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event of a release of dangerous
35 wastes from the containment building, actions required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii)
36 will be taken. Specific administrative and operating methods that will be used to satisfy this
37 requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations.

38
39 Inspections of the Filter Cave Containment Building

40 An inspection program will be established to detect conditions that could lead to a release of
41 wastes from the HLW vitrification plant air filtration containment building. The inspection and
42 monitoring schedule and methods that will be used to detect releases from the unit are included
43 in Chapter 6.

1 **4.2.4.16 HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 Containment Building (H-B032) and HLW Pour**
2 **Tunnel No. 2 Containment Building (H-B005A)**

3 HLW pour tunnels No. 1 and No. 2 containment building contain bogies that transport empty
4 canisters to the melter pour spout. Each of the two pour tunnels are 11 ft wide by 85 ft 2 in. long
5 extending from the south end of the melter caves in a north-south direction to an area below the
6 canister handling cave. The glass pouring into canisters takes place in the north half of the HLW
7 pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings. After filling with glass, the canisters are
8 allowed to cool down prior to being transported to the south portion of the HLW pour tunnels
9 No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings and transferred through the hatch to the canister handling
10 cave located above. The south portion of the HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment
11 buildings can be used for bogie decontamination, if required, prior to handling in the bogie
12 maintenance area. The bogie maintenance area is segregated from HLW pour tunnels No.1 and
13 No. 2 containment buildings by a shield door. Bogie decontamination is not considered a
14 dangerous waste management activity performed within the boundary of HLW pour tunnels
15 No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings.
16

17 HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2 Containment Building Design

18 The HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings will be completely enclosed
19 within the HLW vitrification plant, and will be designed to prevent the release of dangerous
20 constituents and their exposure to the outside environment. The design and construction of the
21 HLW vitrification plant exterior will prevent water from running into the facility. The roof of
22 the HLW vitrification plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier.
23 Runoff will be collected by roof drains and a drainage system with overflow roof drains. Unit
24 dimensions are summarized in Table 4-12.
25

26 The containment buildings' design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply because
27 there are no liquid dangerous wastes managed in the pour tunnels.
28

29 HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2 Containment Building Structure

30 Because the HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings will be concrete-walled
31 structures fully enclosed within the HLW vitrification plant, their structural requirements will be
32 met by the design standards of the HLW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the units
33 have sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51,
34 Supplement 1 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the HLW vitrification
35 plant meet or exceed the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.
36

37 HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2 Containment Building Unit Materials

38 The HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings will be constructed of
39 steel-reinforced concrete. The interior floors and a portion of the walls of the units will be lined
40 with stainless steel to protect the insulation and concrete from the effects of high temperatures.
41

1 Use of Incompatible Materials for the HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2
2 Containment Buildings

3 There are no liquid dangerous wastes managed within the HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2
4 containment buildings.

6 Primary Barrier Integrity in the HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2
7 Containment Buildings

8 The HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings are designed to withstand loads
9 from the movement of wastes and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found in
10 DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations,
11 and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

13 Certification of Design for the HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2
14 Containment Buildings

15 Prior to the start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
16 the HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings meet the design requirements of 40
17 CFR 264.1101(a) and (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not
18 apply to this design because no free liquids are managed in the unit.

20 Operation of the HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2 Containment Buildings

21 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
22 the wastes within the HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings, as required by
23 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).

25 Maintenance of the HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2 Containment
26 Buildings

27 The partial stainless-steel liner will be installed in the HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2
28 containment buildings to protect insulation and concrete from the effects of high temperatures.
29 Waste canisters will not be stacked within the unit.

31 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel
32 No. 2 Containment Buildings

33 The HLW vitrification plant C5 HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings will
34 be designed to isolate failed equipment from the accessible environment and to prevent the
35 spread of contaminated materials. Very little dust is expected to be generated in the unit.

36
37 Personnel access to the HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings will not be
38 allowed because of high radiation.

1 Control of Fugitive Dust from the HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2
2 Containment Buildings

3 Operational controls of the HLW vitrification plant ventilation system will be used to control
4 fugitive dust emissions from the units to meet the requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1)(iv).
5 The following measures will be used to prevent fugitive dust from escaping the HLW pour
6 tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment buildings:
7

- 8 • A cascading air flow from areas of least to greatest potential contamination (that is, C2 to C3
9 to C5)
- 10 • Greater negative air pressure in the unit, compared to adjacent C3 units, to pull air into the
11 unit and prevent backflow
- 12 • Intake air through controlled air in-bleed units with backflow prevention dampers
- 13 • Safety interlocks to shut down C3 extract fans to prevent backflow if the C5 system shuts
14 down
- 15 • Dual HEPA filtration of exhaust air before discharge to the atmosphere through a monitored
16 stack
- 17 • A multiple fan extraction system, designed to maintain negative pressure and cascading air
18 flow, even during fan maintenance and repair
- 19 • Personnel ingress and egress through airlocks and subchange rooms

20
21 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from the HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1
22 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2 Containment Buildings

23 Conditions that could lead to a release from the HLW pour tunnels No.1 and No. 2 containment
24 buildings will be corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event of a
25 release of dangerous wastes from the containment buildings, actions required by 40 CFR
26 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Administrative and operating methods to satisfy
27 this requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations.
28

29 Inspections of the HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 and HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2 Containment Buildings

30 An inspection program will be established as required under WAC 173-303-695 to detect
31 conditions that could lead to the release of wastes from the HLW pour tunnel containment
32 buildings. The inspection and monitoring schedule and methods that will be used to detect a
33 release are included in DWP Attachment 51, Chapter 6.
34

35 **4.2.4.17 HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment Building (H-0126A,**
36 **H-0126B, and H-B028)**

37 The HLW drum swabbing and monitoring area containment building is located in the northeast
38 section of the HLW vitrification plant. Typical waste management activities performed in this
39 containment building include the remote handling of 55 US gallon drums. The drums will be
40 swabbed for surface contamination and decontaminated if needed.
41

1 Upon arrival in the HLW drum swabbing and monitoring area, the 55 US gallon drums are
2 weighed, monitored, and then transferred through a hatch and placed into a shielded cask in the
3 cask handling area.

4
5 In the cask handling area, drum transport casks are remotely lidded and moved to the truck
6 loading bay for removal from the facility.

7
8 Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment Building Design

9 The drum swabbing and monitoring area containment building will be completely enclosed
10 within the HLW vitrification plant, and will be designed to prevent the release of dangerous
11 constituents and their exposure to the outside environment. The design and construction of the
12 HLW vitrification plant exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the
13 HLW vitrification plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier.
14 Runoff will be collected by roof drains and a drainage system with overflow roof drains. Unit
15 dimensions are summarized in Table 4-12.

16
17 The containment building design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply because the
18 liquid dangerous wastes will not be managed in the drum swabbing and monitoring area. If
19 liquid dangerous wastes are stored in 55 US gallon drums, the drums will be provided with
20 portable secondary containment.

21
22 HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment Building Structure

23 Because the HLW drum swabbing and monitoring area will be a concrete-walled structure fully
24 enclosed within the HLW vitrification plant, its structural requirements will be met by the design
25 standards of the HLW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit has sufficient
26 structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 provides
27 documentation that the seismic requirements for the HLW vitrification plant meet or exceed the
28 Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.

29
30 HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment Building Unit Materials

31 The HLW drum swabbing and monitoring area containment building will be constructed of
32 steel-reinforced concrete. The interior floor and a portion of the walls of the unit will be covered
33 with special protective coating to protect the concrete from mixed waste contamination.

34
35 Use of Incompatible Materials for the HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment
36 Building

37 There are no liquid dangerous wastes managed within the HLW drum swabbing and monitoring
38 containment building.

39
40 Primary Barrier Integrity in the HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment
41 Building

42 The HLW drum swabbing and monitoring area containment building is designed to withstand
43 loads from the movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design
44 criteria found in DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load
45 combinations, and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.

1
2 Certification of Design for the HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment
3 Building

4 Prior to the start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
5 the HLW drum swabbing and monitoring area containment building meets the design
6 requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(a) and (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR
7 264.1101(b) do not apply to this design because free liquids managed in the unit are addressed
8 under tank systems in section 4.2.2.
9

10 Operation of the HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment Building

11 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
12 the wastes within the HLW drum swabbing and monitoring area containment building, as
13 required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).
14

15 Maintenance of the HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment Building

16 Personnel access to the containment building will not be allowed because of high radiation.
17 Drums are not normally expected to be stacked within the unit.
18

19 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area
20 Containment Building

21 The HLW vitrification plant C5 HLW drum swabbing and monitoring containment building will
22 be designed to isolate failed equipment from the accessible environment and to prevent the
23 spread of contaminated materials. Very little dust is expected to be generated in the unit.
24

25 Control of Fugitive Dust from the HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment
26 Building

27 Operational controls of the HLW vitrification plant ventilation system will be used to control
28 fugitive dust emissions from the unit to meet the requirements of 40 CFR 264.1001(c)(1)(iv).
29 The following measures will be used to prevent fugitive dust from escaping the HLW drum
30 swabbing and monitoring area containment building:
31

- 32 • A cascading air flow from areas of least to greatest potential contamination (that is, C2 to C3
33 to C5)
- 34 • Greater negative air pressure in the unit, compared to adjacent C3 units, to pull air into the
35 unit and prevent backflow
- 36 • Intake air through controlled air in-bleed units with backflow prevention dampers
- 37 • Safety interlocks to shut down C3 extraction fans to prevent backflow, if the C5 system shuts
38 down
- 39 • Dual HEPA filtration of exhaust air before discharge to the atmosphere through a monitored
40 stack
- 41 • A multiple fan extraction system, designed to maintain negative pressure and cascading air
42 flow, even during fan maintenance and repair
43

1 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from HLW Drum Swabbing and
2 Monitoring Area Containment Building

3 Conditions that could lead to a release from the HLW drum swabbing and monitoring area
4 containment building will be corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the
5 unlikely event of a release of mixed or dangerous wastes from the containment building, actions
6 required by 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Administrative and operating
7 methods to satisfy this requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations.
8

9 Inspections of the HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area Containment Building

10 An inspection program will be established as required under WAC 173-303-695 to detect
11 conditions that could lead to the release of wastes from the HLW drum swabbing and monitoring
12 area containment building. The inspection and monitoring schedule and methods that will be
13 used to detect a release are include in DWP Attachment 51, Chapter 6.
14

15 **4.2.4.18 HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building (H-410B, H-411)**

16 The HLW waste handling area containment building consists of rooms H-410B, and H-411 on
17 the 58 ft elevation of the HLW vitrification plant. Typical waste management activities
18 performed in this containment building include waste sorting, segregation, and providing
19 temporary storage of mixed waste containers (that is, spent silver mordenite). The HLW waste
20 handling area containment building will contain floor space for segregated storage of empty and
21 full containers, typically 55 gallon waste drums. Tools and equipment will also be stored in this
22 containment building.
23

24 HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building Design

25 The HLW waste handling area containment building will be completely enclosed within the
26 HLW vitrification plant, and will be designed to prevent the release of dangerous constituents
27 and their exposure to the outside environment. The design and construction of the HLW
28 vitrification plant exterior will prevent water from running into the plant. The roof of the HLW
29 vitrification plant will consist of metal roofing, roof insulation, and a vapor barrier. Runoff will
30 be collected by roof drains and a drainage system with overflow roof drains. Unit dimensions
31 are summarized in Table 4-12.
32

33 The containment building design requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not apply because the
34 liquid dangerous wastes will not be managed in the waste handling area. If liquid wastes are
35 stored in 55 US gallon drums, the drums will be provided with portable secondary containment.
36

37 HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building Structure

38 Because the HLW waste handling area containment building will be a concrete-walled structure
39 fully enclosed within the HLW vitrification plant, its structural requirements will be met by the
40 design standards of the HLW vitrification plant. The design will ensure that the unit has
41 sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or failure. DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1
42 provides documentation that the seismic requirements for the HLW vitrification plant meet or
43 exceed the Uniform Building Code Seismic Design Requirements.
44

1 HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building Unit Materials

2 The HLW waste handling area containment building will be constructed of steel-reinforced
3 concrete. The interior floor and a portion of the walls of the unit will be covered with special
4 protective coatings to protect the concrete from mixed waste contamination.
5

6 Use of Incompatible Materials for the HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building

7 There are no liquid dangerous wastes managed within the HLW waste handling area containment
8 building.
9

10 Primary Barrier Integrity in the HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building

11 The HLW waste handling area containment building is designed to withstand loads from the
12 movement of personnel, wastes, and handling equipment. The seismic design criteria found in
13 DWP Attachment 51, Supplement 1 ensures that appropriate design loads, load combinations,
14 and structural acceptance criteria are employed at the WTP.
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16 Certification of Design for the HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building

17 Prior to the start of operations, certification by a qualified registered professional engineer that
18 the HLW waste handling area containment building meets the design requirements of
19 40 CFR 264.1101(a) and (c) will be obtained. The requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(b) do not
20 apply to this design because free liquids will not be managed in the unit.
21

22 Operation of the HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building

23 Operational and maintenance controls and practices will be established to ensure containment of
24 the wastes within the HLW waste handling area containment building, as required by
25 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1).
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27 Maintenance of the HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building

28 Wastes are not normally expected to be stacked within the unit.
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30 Measures to Prevent Tracking Wastes from the HLW Waste Handling Area Containment
31 Building

32 Wastes leaving the HLW waste handling area containment building will be enclosed within
33 containers. If necessary, these containers will be decontaminated in the unit prior to
34 transportation to another permitted TSD facility.
35

36 Control of Fugitive Dust from the HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building

37 Operational controls of the HLW vitrification plant ventilation system will be used to control
38 fugitive dust emissions from the unit to meet the requirements of 40 CFR 264.1101(c)(1)(iv).
39 The following measures will be used to prevent fugitive dust from escaping the waste handling
40 area containment building:
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- 42 • A cascading air flow from areas of least to greatest potential contamination (that is, C2 to C3
43 to C5)
- 44 • Greater negative air pressure in the unit, compared to adjacent C3 units, to pull air into the
45 unit and prevent backflow

- 1 • Intake air through controlled air in-bleed units with backflow prevention dampers
- 2 • Safety interlocks to shut down C3 extraction fans to prevent backflow if the C5 system shuts
3 down
- 4 • Dual HEPA filtration of exhaust air before discharge to the atmosphere through a monitored
5 stack
- 6 • A multiple fan extraction system, designed to maintain negative pressure and cascading air
7 flow, even during fan maintenance and repair
- 8 • Personnel ingress and egress through airlocks and subchange rooms

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10 Procedures in the Event of Release or Potential for Release from HLW Waste Handling Area
11 Containment Building

12 Conditions that could lead to a release from the HLW waste handling area containment building
13 will be corrected as soon as possible after they are identified. In the unlikely event of a release
14 of dangerous wastes from the containment building, actions required by 40 CFR
15 264.1101(c)(3)(i) through (iii) will be taken. Administrative and operating methods to satisfy
16 this requirement will be developed prior to the start of operations.

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18 Inspections of the HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building

19 An inspection program will be established as required under WAC 173-303-695 to detect
20 conditions that could lead to the release of wastes from the HLW waste handling area
21 containment building. The inspection and monitoring schedule and methods that will be used to
22 detect a release are included in DWP Attachment 51, Chapter 6.

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24 **4.3 OTHER WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS**

25 Sections 4.3.1 through 4.3.5 discuss the applicability of the requirements for waste management
26 units that have not been discussed up to this point in the permit. Sections 4.3.6 through 4.3.9
27 describe the applicability of air emission controls, waste minimization, groundwater monitoring,
28 and functional design requirements to the WTP. References to other sections of the permit are
29 provided as appropriate.

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31 **4.3.1 Waste Piles [D-3]**

32 The operation of the WTP does not involve the placement of dangerous waste in waste piles.
33 Therefore, the requirements of WAC 173-303-660, "Waste Piles", do not apply to the WTP.

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35 **4.3.2 Surface Impoundments [D-4]**

36 The operation of the WTP does not involve the placement of dangerous waste in surface
37 impoundments. Therefore, the requirements of WAC 173-303-650, "Surface Impoundments",
38 do not apply to the WTP.

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40 **4.3.3 Incinerators [D-5]**

41 The WTP does not include a dangerous waste incinerator. Therefore, the requirements of
42 WAC 173-303-670, "Incinerators", do not apply to the WTP.

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4.3.4 Landfills [D-6]

The operation of the WTP does not involve the placement of dangerous waste in landfills. Therefore, the requirements of WAC 173-303-665, "Landfills", do not apply to the WTP.

4.3.5 Land Treatment [D-7]

The operation of the WTP does not involve the land treatment of dangerous waste. Therefore, the requirements of WAC 173-303-655, "Land Treatment", do not apply to the WTP.

4.3.6 Air Emissions Control [D-8]

Information regarding air emissions control is provided in the following sections:

- Pretreatment plant vessel vent process and exhaust system (PVP/PVV) - section 4.1.2.17
- LAW vitrification offgas treatment system description - section 4.1.3.3
- HLW vitrification offgas treatment system description - section 4.1.4.3
- Process vents (40 CFR 264 Subpart AA) - section 4.2.2.10.2
- Equipment leaks (40 CFR 264 Subpart BB) - section 4.2.2.10.3
- Tanks and containers (40 CFR 264 Subpart CC) - section 4.2.2.10.4

4.3.7 Waste Minimization [D-9]

Waste minimization information is presented in Chapter 10 of the permit.

4.3.8 Groundwater Monitoring for Land-Based Units [D-10]

The groundwater monitoring requirements found in WAC 173-303-645, "Releases from regulated units", do not apply to the WTP, since it is not operated as a regulated dangerous waste surface impoundment, landfill, land treatment area or waste pile, as defined in WAC 173-303-040. Therefore, groundwater monitoring is not required.

4.3.9 Functional Design Requirements

The WTP will be designed to comply with applicable design codes and specifications. The documents referenced in this chapter and contained in DWP Attachment 51 identify the codes and standards to which the WTP system, structures, and components are being constructed.

1 **Table 4-1 Example Piping Material Service Class Index**

2 Table 4-1 has been deleted and superceded by *Piping Material Class Description*,
 3 24590-WTP-PER-PL-02-001, (DWP, Attachment 51, Appendix 4).

4 **Table 4-2 Container Storage Areas Summary**

Container Storage Area	Maximum Waste Volume (US Gallons) ¹	Approximate Dimensions (L × W × H, in feet) ²
HLW Vitrification Plant		
IHLW Canister Storage Cave (H-0132)	162,589	63 × 23 × 15
HLW East Corridor El. 0' (HC-0108/09/10)	310,291	122 × 34 × 10
HLW Loading Area (H-0130)	159,185	56 × 38 × 10
Analytical Laboratory		
Laboratory Waste Management Area (A-0139 and A-0139A)	119,613	41 × 39 × 10
Other Areas		
Non-Radioactive Dangerous Waste Container Storage Area	56,104	25 × 30 × 10
Failed Melter Storage Facility	403,947	75 × 45 × 16

¹ The conversion factor used to convert from cubic feet to gallons is 7.4805 gal/ft³

² The dimension for height (H) is based on the height of the largest waste container stored in the area (i.e., LAW container is 7.5 ft, HLW canister is 15 ft, melters are assumed to be 16 ft, and a B-25 box is 5 ft - stacked a maximum of two high is 10 ft).

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Table 4-3 Pretreatment Plant Tank Systems

No.	System	Vessel Number	Description	Material of Construction	Total Volume (US Gallons)	Approximate Dimensions (Diameter × Height or Length in feet)
1	FRP	FRP-VSL-00002A	Waste Feed Receipt Vessel	Stainless Steel	474,000	47 × 26.75
2	FRP	FRP-VSL-00002B	Waste Feed Receipt Vessel	Stainless Steel	474,000	47 × 26.75
3	FRP	FRP-VSL-00002C	Waste Feed Receipt Vessel	Stainless Steel	474,000	47 × 26.75
4	FRP	FRP-VSL-00002D	Waste Feed Receipt Vessel	Stainless Steel	474,000	47 × 26.75
5	FEP	FEP-VSL-00017A	Waste Feed Evaporator Feed Vessel	Stainless Steel	85,557	22 × 22.75
6	FEP	FEP-VSL-00017B	Waste Feed Evaporator Feed Vessel	Stainless Steel	85,557	22 × 22.75
7	FEP	FEP-VSL-00005	LAW Feed Evaporator Condensate Vessel	Stainless Steel	5,022	8 × 10.75
8	UFP	UFP-VSL-00062A	Ultrafilter Permeate Vessel	Stainless Steel	34,700	15 × 21.25
9	UFP	UFP-VSL-00062B	Ultrafilter Permeate Vessel	Stainless Steel	34,700	15 × 21.25
10	UFP	UFP-VSL-00062C	Ultrafilter Permeate Vessel	Stainless Steel	34,700	15 × 21.25
11	UFP	UFP-VSL-00001A	Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessel	Stainless Steel	75,593	20 × 25.5
12	UFP	UFP-VSL-00001B	Ultrafiltration Feed Preparation Vessel	Stainless Steel	75,593	20 × 25.5
13	UFP	UFP-VSL-00002A	Ultrafiltration Feed Vessel	Stainless Steel	40,783	14 × 30.75
14	UFP	UFP-VSL-00002B	Ultrafiltration Feed Vessel	Stainless Steel	40,783	14 × 30.75
15	UFP	UFP-FILT-00001A	Ultrafilter	Stainless Steel	140	1.5 × 12
16	UFP	UFP-FILT-00001B	Ultrafilter	Stainless Steel	140	1.5 × 12
17	UFP	UFP-FILT-00002A	Ultrafilter	Stainless Steel	140	1.5 × 12
18	UFP	UFP-FILT-00002B	Ultrafilter	Stainless Steel	140	1.5 × 12
19	UFP	UFP-FILT-00003A	Ultrafilter	Stainless Steel	140	1.5 × 12
20	UFP	UFP-FILT-00003B	Ultrafilter	Stainless Steel	140	1.5 × 12
21	HLP	HLP-VSL-00028	HLW Feed Blending Vessel	Stainless Steel	142,200	26.5 × 29
22	HLP	HLP-VSL-00027A	HLW Lag Storage Vessel	Stainless Steel	127,260	25 × 29.5
23	HLP	HLP-VSL-00027B	HLW Lag Storage Vessel	Stainless Steel	172,260	25 × 29.5
24	HLP	HLP-VSL-00022	HLW Feed Receipt Vessel	Stainless Steel	270,600	38 × 24.25
25	CXP	CXP-IXC-00001	Cesium Ion Exchange Column	Stainless Steel	680	3.5 × 10.5

Table 4-3 Pretreatment Plant Tank Systems

No.	System	Vessel Number	Description	Material of Construction	Total Volume (US Gallons)	Approximate Dimensions (Diameter × Height or Length in feet)
26	CXP	CXP-IXC-00002	Cesium Ion Exchange Column	Stainless Steel	680	3.5 × 10.5
27	CXP	CXP-IXC-00003	Cesium Ion Exchange Column	Stainless Steel	680	3.5 × 10.5
28	CXP	CXP-IXC-00004	Cesium Ion Exchange Column	Stainless Steel	680	3.5 × 10.5
29	CXP	CXP-VSL-00001	Cesium Ion Exchange Feed Vessel	Stainless Steel	103,350	23 × 28.5
30	CXP	CXP-VSL-00004	Cesium Ion Exchange Caustic Rinse Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	11,085	10.5 × 14.25
31	CXP	CXP-VSL-00005	Cesium Reagent Vessel	Stainless Steel	1,180	5 × 9
32	CXP	CXP-VSL-00026A	Cesium Ion Exchange Treated LAW Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	36,480	15 × 24.5
33	CXP	CXP-VSL-00026B	Cesium Ion Exchange Treated LAW Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	36,480	15 × 24.5
34	CXP	CXP-VSL-00026C	Cesium Ion Exchange Treated LAW Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	36,480	15 × 24.5
35	CNP	CNP-VSL-00003	Eluate Contingency Storage Vessel	Stainless Steel	23,200	14 × 17.25
36	CNP	CNP-VSL-00004	Cesium Evaporator Recovered Nitric Acid Vessel	Stainless Steel	11,115	9.5 × 19
37	CNP	CNP-VSL-00001	Cesium Evaporator Eluant Lute Pot	Stainless Steel	109	4 × 3
38	TLP	TLP-VSL-00002	Treated LAW Evaporator Condensate Vessel	Stainless Steel	2,300	6 × 9
39	TLP	TLP-VSL-00009A	LAW SBS Condensate Receipt Vessel	Stainless Steel	130,010	26 × 27.25
40	TLP	TLP-VSL-00009B	LAW SBS Condensate Receipt Vessel	Stainless Steel	130,010	26 × 27.25
41	TCP	TCP-VSL-00001	Treated LAW Concentrate Storage Vessel	Stainless Steel	146,740	26.5 × 30.25
42	RDP	RDP-VSL-00002A	Spent Resin Slurry Vessel	Stainless Steel	15,240	12 × 14
43	RDP	RDP-VSL-00002B	Spent Resin Slurry Vessel	Stainless Steel	15,240	12 × 14
44	RDP	RDP-VSL-00002C	Spent Resin Slurry Vessel	Stainless Steel	15,240	12 × 14
45	RDP	RDP-VSL-00004	Spent Resin Dewatering Moisture Separation Vessel	Stainless Steel	TBD	TBD
46	RLD	RLD-TK-00006A	Process Condensate Tank	Stainless Steel	394,000	40 × 45

Table 4-3 Pretreatment Plant Tank Systems

No.	System	Vessel Number	Description	Material of Construction	Total Volume (US Gallons)	Approximate Dimensions (Diameter × Height or Length in feet)
47	RLD	RLD-TK-00006B	Process Condensate Tank	Stainless Steel	394,000	40 × 45
48	RLD	RLD-VSL-00017A	Alkaline Effluent Vessel	Stainless Steel	34,340	16 × 17.5
49	RLD	RLD-VSL-00017B	Alkaline Effluent Vessel	Stainless Steel	34,340	16 × 17.5
50	PWD	PWD-VSL-00033	Ultimate Overflow Vessel	316L	41,650	24 × 7.5
51	PWD	PWD-VSL-00043	HLW Effluent Transfer Vessel	316L	41,650	24 × 7.5
52	PWD	PWD-VSL-00015	Acid/Alkaline Effluent Vessel	Stainless Steel	119,150	22 × 34.5
53	PWD	PWD-VSL-00044	Plant Wash Vessel	Stainless Steel	103,024	23 × 25.5
54	PWD	PWD-VSL-00046	C3 Floor Drain Collection Vessel	316L	4,982	8 × 10.5
55	PWD	PWD-VSL-00016	Acid/Alkaline Effluent Vessel	Stainless Steel	119,150	22 × 34.5
56	PJV	PJV-VSL-00002	PJV HEME Drain Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	8,975	10 × 12
57	PVP	PVP-VSL-00001	Vessel Ventilation HEME Drain Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	1,969	6 × 7.25
58	SHR	SHR-TK-00009	Feed Line Flush Tank	Stainless Steel	14,900	15 × 13.75
59	PIH	PIH-TK-00001	Decontamination Soak Tank	Stainless Steel	TBD	TBD

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Table 4-4 LAW Vitrification Plant Tank Systems

No.	System	Vessel Number	Description	Material	Total Volume (US Gallons)	Approximate Dimensions (Diameter × Height or Length in feet)
1	LCP	LCP-VSL-00001	Melter 1 Concentrate Receipt Vessel	Stainless Steel	18,130	14 × 12.75
2	LCP	LCP-VSL-00002	Melter 2 Concentrate Receipt Vessel	Stainless Steel	18,130	14 × 12.75
3	LFP	LFP-VSL-00001	Melter 1 Feed Preparation Vessel	Stainless Steel	9,123	11 × 10.5
4	LFP	LFP-VSL-00002	Melter 1 Feed Vessel	Stainless Steel	9,123	11 × 10.5
5	LFP	LFP-VSL-00003	Melter 2 Feed Preparation Vessel	Stainless Steel	9,123	11 × 10.5
6	LFP	LFP-VSL-00004	Melter 2 Feed Vessel	Stainless Steel	9,123	11 × 10.5
7	LVP	LVP-TK-00001	LAW Caustic Collection Tank	Stainless Steel	14,579	14.3 × 13
8	LOP	LOP-VSL-00001	Melter 1 SBS Condensate Vessel	Hastelloy	9,056	12 × 8.2
9	LOP	LOP-VSL-00002	Melter 2 SBS Condensate Vessel	Hastelloy	9,056	12 × 8.2
10	RLD	RLD-VSL-00003	Plant Wash Vessel	Stainless Steel	25,780	16 × 14.6
11	RLD	RLD-VSL-00004	LAW C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	7,696	10 × 11
12	RLD	RLD-VSL-00005	SBS Condensate Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	25,780	16 × 14.6

Table 4-5 HLW Vitrification Plant Tank Systems

No.	System	Vessel Number	Description	Material	Total Volume (US Gallons)	Approximate Dimensions (Diameter × Height in Length in feet)
1	HCP	HCP-VSL-00001	Concentrate Receipt Vessel 1	Stainless Steel	20,229	14 × 18
2	HCP	HCP-VSL-00002	Concentrate Receipt Vessel 2	Stainless Steel	20,229	14 × 18
3	HOP	HOP-VSL-00903	SBS Condensate Receiver Vessel No. 1	Hastelloy	9,891	12 × 14
4	HOP	HOP-VSL-00904	SBS Condensate Receiver Vessel No. 2	Hastelloy	9,891	12 × 14
5	HDH	HDH-VSL-00001	Canister Rinse Bogie Decon Vessel	Stainless Steel	3,314	6 × 17
6	HDH	HDH-VSL-00003	Waste Neutralization Vessel	Titanium	5,274	7 × 17
7	HDH	HDH-VSL-00002	Melter 1 Canister Decon Vessel	Titanium	642	3 × 16
8	HDH	HDH-VSL-00004	Melter 2 Canister Decon Vessel	Titanium	642	3 × 16
9	RLD	RLD-VSL-00007	Acidic Waste Vessel	Stainless Steel	18,145	13 × 19
10	RLD	RLD-VSL-00008	Plant Wash and Drains Vessel	Stainless Steel	13,774	13 × 16
11	RLD	RLD-VSL-00002	Off-gas Drains Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	366	4 × 4
12	HFP	HFP-VSL-00001	Feed Preparation Vessel	Stainless Steel	8,445	11 × 9.5
13	HFP	HFP-VSL-00002	HLW Melter Feed Vessel	Stainless Steel	8,445	11 × 9.5
14	HFP	HFP-VSL-00005	Feed Preparation Vessel	Stainless Steel	8,445	11 × 9.5
15	HFP	HFP-VSL-00006	HLW Melter Feed Vessel	Stainless Steel	8,445	11 × 9.5
16	HSH	HSH-TK-00001	Decontamination Tank Melter Cave 1	Stainless Steel	3,718	23 × 6.7
17	HSH	HSH-TK-00002	Decontamination Tank Melter Cave 2	Stainless Steel	3,718	23 × 6.7

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Table 4-6 Analytical Laboratory Tank Systems

No.	System	Vessel Number	Description	Material	Total Volume (US Gallons)	Approximate Dimensions (Diameter × Height or Length in feet)
1	LAB	RLD-VSL-00164	Laboratory Area Sink Drain Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	3,200	8.5 × 8.75
2	LAB	RLD-VSL-00165	Hot Cell Drain Collection Vessel	Stainless Steel	9,100	16 × 8.2

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Table 4-7 Analytical Laboratory Sumps

Description	Location
RLD-SUMP-00041 RLD-SUMP-00042	Laboratory sump information for these sumps have been deleted and superceded by Sump Data for LAB Facility, 24590-LAB-PER-M-02-002 (DWP, Attachment 51, Appendix 11.5)
RLD-SUMP-00043A	A-B007 C5 Pump Pit
RLD-SUMP-00043B	A-B005 C5 Pump Pit
RLD-SUMP-00044	A-B006 C5 Piping Pit
RLD-SUMP-00045	A-B002 C3 Pump Pit

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3 **Table 4-8 Pretreatment Plant Sumps**

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5 Table 4-8 was deleted and superceded by Sump Data for PT Facility, 24590-PTF-PER-M-02-006
6 (DWP, Attachment 51, Appendix 8.5) and Sump and Drain Data at 28 Ft Level of the PT
7 Facility, 24590-PTF-PER-M-03-002 (DWP, Attachment 51, Appendix 8.5).

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9 **Table 4-9 LAW Vitrification Plant Sumps**

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11 Table 4-9 was deleted and superceded by LAW Facility Sump Data, 24590-LAW-PER-M -02-
12 001 (DWP, Attachment 51, Appendix 9.8).

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14 **Table 4-10 HLW Vitrification Plant Sumps**

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16 Table 4-10 was deleted and superceded by HLW Facility Sump Data, 24590-HLW-PER-M-02-
17 001 (DWP, Attachment 51, Appendix 10.5).

Table 4-11 Secondary Containment in Cells and Caves in the WTP

Cell/Cave	Approximate Cell Dimensions (LxW, in feet)	Miscellaneous Treatment Systems, Subsystems, or Tanks in Cell/Cave (Largest Plant Item in Bold Type)	Volume of Largest Plant Item in Cell/Cave (US Gallons)	Minimum Secondary Containment Height (feet)
Pretreatment Plant				
P-B005 HLW Drain Vessel Pit	Minimum secondary containment for these cells/caves has been deleted and superceded by Flooding Volume for Below Grade and 0 Ft Level in PT Facility, 24590-PTF-PER-M-02-005 (DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 8.8)			
P-B002 C2/C3 Drain Tank Room				
P-0102 HLW Receipt/Storage/Blending Cell				
P-0102A HLW Receipt/Storage/Blending Cell				
P-0104 Ultrafiltration Cell				
P-0106 Feed Evaporator/Ultrafiltration Cell				
P-0108 Feed Receipt Cell				
P-0108A Feed Receipt Cell				
P-0108B Feed Receipt Cell				
P-0108C Feed Receipt Cell				
P-0109 Acidic/Alkaline Effluent Collection Cell				
P-0111 Cesium Ion Exchange Cell				
P-0112 Cesium Effluent Recovery Cell				
P-0117 Treated LAW Feed Cell				
P-0117A Treated LAW Feed Cell				
P-0118 Alkaline Effluent Collection Cell				
P-0123 Hot Cell				
P-0105, P-0105A, P-0105B, P-0105C South Process Areas				

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Cell/Cave	Approximate Cell Dimensions (LxW, in feet)	Miscellaneous Treatment Systems, Subsystems, or Tanks in Cell/Cave (Largest Plant Item in Bold Type)	Volume of Largest Plant Item in Cell/Cave (US Gallons)	Minimum Secondary Containment Height (feet)
Southeast, Southwest, and Northwest Process Areas: P-0201, P-0201A, P-0203, P-0203A, P-0203B, P-0204, P-0206, P-0207, P-0208, P-0209, P-0210, P-0212	Minimum secondary containment for these cells/caves has been deleted and superceded by Flooding Volume for 28 Ft Level in PT Facility, 24590-PTF-PER-M-03-001 (DWP Attachment 51, Appendix 8.8)			
P-0304 Waste Feed Evaporation Room	72 x 54	FEP-SEP-00001A/B FEP-DMST-00001A/B FEP-COND-00001A/1B/2A/2B/3A/3B	4,200	TBD
P-0320 Ion Exchange Evaporator Room	54 x 36	CNP-DISTC-00001 TEP-DISTC-00001	500	TBD
P-0325 Treated LAW Evaporator Room	54 x 36	TLP-SEP-00001 TLP-COND-00001	4,200	TBD
P-0410 Utility Area Room	(90 x 36) + (36 x 18)	PWD-RK-00001/14/18/20 CXP-RK-00004 FRP-RK-00013 CNP-RK-00005 PWD-RK-00007/46 HPS-RK-00009 PWD-RK-00008 CXP-RK-00005/6/7 RDP-RK-00014/15	N/A	TBD
P-0415 Utility Area Room	54 x 54	PWD-RK-00005/09/12 TLP-RK-00005/6/7	N/A	TBD
P-0423 Utility Area Room	81 x 54	UFP-RK-00067/68/69/70/71/72/73 PWD-RK-00004/06/13/17/51 HLP-RK-00007/8/9	N/A	TBD
P-0425 Utility Area Room	54 x 54	PWD-RK-00002/03/11/19 FRP-RK-00012/14/19	N/A	TBD

Table 4-11 Secondary Containment in Cells and Caves in the WTP

Cell/Cave	Approximate Cell Dimensions (LxW, in feet)	Miscellaneous Treatment Systems, Subsystems, or Tanks in Cell/Cave (Largest Plant Item in Bold Type)	Volume of Largest Plant Item in Cell/Cave (US Gallons)	Minimum Secondary Containment Height (feet)
		FEP-RK-00004/5/6/7/8		
P-0430 Process Bulge Area	45 x 36	CNP-HX-00002/3	TBD	TBD
P-0514 PCW Head Tank Room	54 x 54	SHR-TK-00009	14,900	TBD
Analytical Laboratory				
A-B003 Lab Area Sink Drain Collection Vessel Cell	Minimum secondary containment for these cells has been deleted and superceded by Flooding Volume for LAB Facility, 24590-LAB-PER-M-02-001 (DWP, Attachment 51, Appendix 11.8).			
A-B004 Hot Cell Drain Collection Vessel Cell				
LAW Vitrification Plant				
L-0123, Melter 1 Process Cell	Minimum secondary containment for these cells has been deleted and superceded by <i>Flooding Volume for LAW Facility, 24590-LAW-PER-M-02-003</i>			
L-0124, Melter 2 Process Cell				
L-0126, Effluent Cell				
L-B001B, C3/C5 Drains/Sump Collection Vessel Room				
L-0218, Caustic Scrub Blowdown Collection Berm	26 x 31	LVP-VSL-00001	14,579	TBD
HLW Vitrification Plant				
H-B014 Wet Process Cell North	Minimum secondary containment for these cells/caves has been deleted and superceded by Flooding Volume for HLW Facility, 24590-HLW-PER-M-02-003 (DWP, Attachment 51, Appendix 10.8).			
H-B014 Wet Process Cell South				
H-B021 SBS Drains Collection Cell No 1				
H-0133, Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave				
H-B039A, Bogie Deon/Maint Tunnel Canister Rinse				
H-B039B, Canister Rinse Tunnel				
H-0304A, Equipment Decontamination Area				
H-0117, Melter Cave No. 1 (South)				
H-0117, Melter Cave No. 1 (West)				
H-0310A, Equipment Decontamination Area				

Table 4-11 Secondary Containment in Cells and Caves in the WTP

Cell/Cave	Approximate Cell Dimensions (L×W, in feet)	Miscellaneous Treatment Systems, Subsystems, or Tanks in Cell/Cave (Largest Plant Item in Bold Type)	Volume of Largest Plant Item in Cell/Cave (US Gallons)	Minimum Secondary Containment Height (feet)
H-106, Melter Cave No. 2 (South)				
H-106, Melter Cave No. 2 (West)				
H-B005, SBS Drains Collection Cell No. 2				

Table 4-12 Containment Buildings Summary

Location	Approximate Dimensions (L × W × H in feet)
Pretreatment Plant	
P-0123 Pretreatment Hot Cell Containment Building	350 × 51 × 52
Pretreatment Maintenance Containment Building	
PM0124 Hot Cell Crane Maintenance Area	54 × 51 × 52
P-0121A Spend Resin Dewatering	28 × 18 × 28
P-0122A Waste Packaging Area	26 × 51 × 28
P-0123A Remote Decontamination Maintenance Cave	55 × 51 × 28
P-0124 C3 Workshop	24 × 24 × 16
P-0124A C3 Workshop	(73 + 15 × 15) + (16 × 15 + 13)
P-0125 Filter Cask Airlock	24 × 20 × 28
P-0125A Filter Cask Area	28 × 18 × 28
P-0128A MSM Repair Area	24 × 18 × 28
P-0128 Temporary Storage Room	24 × 17 × 28
P-0223 Pretreatment Filter Package Maintenance Containment Building	40 × 20 × 28
P-0335 Pretreatment Air Filter Package Containment Building	118 × 54 × 42
LAW Vitrification Plant	
L-0112 LAW LSM Gallery Containment Building	151 × 60 × 24
ILAW Container Finishing Containment Building	
L-0109B Swabbing Area Line 2	21 × 15 × 24
L-0109C Decontamination Area Line 2	18 × 15 × 24
L-0109D Inert Fill Area Line 2	55 × 15 × 24
L-0115B Swabbing Area Line 1	21 × 15 × 24
L-0115C Decontamination Area Line 1	18 × 15 × 24
L-0115D Inert Fill Area Line 1	55 × 15 × 24
L-0116 Container Export	19 × 18 × 14
L-0116A Container Export	19 × 18 × 14
L-0119B LAW Consumable Import/Export Containment Building	35 × 40 × 20

Table 4-12 Containment Buildings Summary

Location	Approximate Dimensions (L x W x H in feet)
L-226A LAW C3 Workshop Containment Building	40 x 35 x 19
LAW Pour Cave Containment Building	
L-B015A Melter 1 Pour Cave	16.5 x 20
L-B013C Melter 1 Pour Cave	16.5 x 20
L-B013B Melter 2 Pour Cave	16.5 x 20
L-B011C Melter 2 Pour Cave	16.5 x 20
L-B011B Future Melter 3 Pour Cave	16.5 x 20
L-B009B Future Melter 3 Pour Cave	16.5 x 20
ILAW Buffer Container Containment Building	
L-B025C	22 x 22 x 7.5
L-B025D	22 x 14 x 7.5
HLW Vitrification Plant	
H-0117, H-0116B, H-0310A HLW Melter No. 1	145 x 35 x 55
H-0106, H-0105B, H-0304A HLW Melter No. 2	145 x 35 x 55
H-0136 IHLW Canister Handling Cave Containment Building	140 x 18 x 48
H-B0133 IHLW Canister Swab and Monitoring Cave Containment Building	10 x 80 x 58
H-0311A/B HLW Vitrification Plant C3 Workshop Containment Building	(30 x 27 x 19) + (33 x 15 x 19)
H-0104 HLW Filter Cave	104 x 38 x 19
H-B032 HLW Pour Tunnel No. 1 Containment Building	140 x 11 x 21
H-B005A HLW Pour Tunnel No. 2 Containment Building	140 x 11 x 21
H-0410B, H0411 HLW Waste Handling Area Containment Building	TBD
HLW Drum Swabbing and Monitoring Area	
H-0126A/B Swabbing and Monitoring Area	52 x 16 x 10
H-B028 Cask Transfer Tunnel	15 x 52 x 10

1 **Table 4-13 Categorization of Piping**

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3 Table 4-13 has been deleted and superceded by 24590-WTP-PER-PS-02-001, *Ancillary Equipment Pipe Support Design* (DWP,
4 Attachment 51, Appendix 7.5)

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Table 4-14 WTP Facility Miscellaneous Treatment Systems and Sub-Systems

No.	System/ Subsystem	Component Number	Description	Material	Maximum Volume (gallons)
Pretreatment Facility					
1	CNP	CNP-EVAP-00001	Separator Vessel	Hastelloy	NA
2	CNP	CNP-HX-00001	Cesium Evaporator Concentrate Reboiler	Stainless Steel	NA
3	CNP	CNP-DISTC-00001	Cesium Nitric Acid Rectifier Column	Stainless Steel	NA
4	CNP	CNP-HX-00002	Cesium Evaporator Primary Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
5	CNP	CNP-HX-00003	Cesium Evaporator Secondary Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
6	CNP	CNP-HX-00004	Cesium Evaporator After-Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
7	CNP	CNP-HEPA-00006	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
8	FEP	FEP-SEP-00001A	Waste Feed Evaporator Separator Vessel	Stainless Steel	NA
9	FEP	FEP-SEP-00001B	Waste Feed Evaporator Separator Vessel	Stainless Steel	NA
10	FEP	FEP-RBLR-00001A	Reboiler	Stainless Steel	NA
11	FEP	FEP-RBLR-00001B	Reboiler	Stainless Steel	NA
12	FEP	FEP-COND-00001A	Primary Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
13	FEP	FEP-COND-00001B	Primary Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
14	FEP	FEP-COND-00002A	Inter-Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
15	FEP	FEP-COND-00002B	Inter-Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
16	FEP	FEP-COND-00003A	After-Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
17	FEP	FEP-COND-00003B	After-Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
18	PJV	PJV-FLTH-00001A	Air In-Bleed Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
19	PJV	PJV-FLTH-00001B	Air In-Bleed Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
20	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00001A	Primary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
21	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00001B	Primary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
22	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00001C	Primary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
23	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00001D	Primary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
24	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00001E	Primary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
25	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00001F	Primary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
26	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00001G	Primary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
27	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00002A	Secondary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
28	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00002B	Secondary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
29	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00002C	Secondary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
30	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00002D	Secondary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
31	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00002E	Secondary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA

Table 4-14 WTP Facility Miscellaneous Treatment Systems and Sub-Systems

No.	System/ Subsystem	Component Number	Description	Material	Maximum Volume (gallons)
32	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00002F	Secondary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
33	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00002G	Secondary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
34	PJV	PJV-FAN-00001A	Exhaust Fan	Stainless Steel	NA
35	PJV	PJV-FAN-00001B	Exhaust Fan	Stainless Steel	NA
36	PJV	PJV-FAN-00001C	Exhaust Fan	Stainless Steel	NA
37	PJV	PJV-DMST-00002A	Demister	Mesh Pad/ Stainless Steel	NA
38	PJV	PJV-DMST-00002B	Demister	Mesh Pad/ Stainless Steel	NA
39	PJV	PJV-DMST-00002C	Demister	Mesh Pad/ Stainless Steel	NA
40	PVP	PVP-HTR-00001A	Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
41	PVP	PVP-HTR-00001B	Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
42	PVP	PVP-HTR-00001C	Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
43	PVP	PVP-ABS-00001A	Carbon Bed Adsorber	TEDA/Stainless Steel	NA
44	PVP	PVP-ABS-00001B	Carbon Bed Adsorber	TEDA/Stainless Steel	NA
45	PVP	PVP-CLR-00001	After-Cooler	Stainless Steel	NA
46	PVP	PVP-OXID-00001	VOC Oxidizer Unit	Stainless Steel	NA
47	PVP	PVP-FILT-00001A	Adsorber Outlet Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
48	PVP	PVP-FILT-00001B	Adsorber Outlet Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
49	PVP	PVP-HEME-00001A	HEME Filter	Packed Fiber Bed/Stainless Steel	NA
50	PVP	PVP-HEME-00001B	HEME Filter	Packed Fiber Bed/Stainless Steel	NA
51	PVP	PVP-HEME-00001C	HEME Filter	Packed Fiber Bed/Stainless Steel	NA
52	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00001A	Primary HEPA Filters	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
53	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00001B	Primary HEPA Filters	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
54	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00001C	Primary HEPA Filters	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
55	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00002A	Secondary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
56	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00002B	Secondary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
57	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00002C	Secondary HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
58	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00023	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
59	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00024	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
60	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00028	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
61	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00029	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
62	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00030	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
63	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00031	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA

Table 4-14 WTP Facility Miscellaneous Treatment Systems and Sub-Systems

No.	System/ Subsystem	Component Number	Description	Material	Maximum Volume (gallons)
64	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00032	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
65	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00033	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
66	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00034	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
67	PVP	PVP-HEPA-00035	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
68	PVP	PVP-SCB-00002	Caustic Scrubber	Metal Intalox Packing/ Stainless Steel	3,237
69	PVP	PVP-FAN-00001A	Exhaust Fan	Stainless Steel	NA
70	PVP	PVP-FAN-00001B	Exhaust Fan	Stainless Steel	NA
71	TLP	TLP-SEP-00001	Treated LAW Evaporator Separator Vessel	Stainless Steel	NA
72	TLP	TLP-RBLR-00001	Reboiler	Stainless Steel	NA
73	TLP	TLP-COND-00001	Primary Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
74	TLP	TLP-COND-00002	After-Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
75	TLP	TLP-COND-00003	Inter-Condenser	Stainless Steel	NA
76	TLP	TLP-HEPA-00001	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
LAW Vitrification					
1	LOP	LOP-FCLR-00001	Primary Film Cooler	Stainless Steel	NA
2	LOP	LOP-FCLR-00002	Secondary Film Cooler	Stainless Steel	NA
3	LOP	LOP-FCLR-00003	Primary Film Cooler	Stainless Steel	NA
4	LOP	LOP-FCLR-00004	Secondary Film Cooler	Stainless Steel	NA
5	LOP	LOP-SCB-00001	Melter 1 Submerged Bed Scrubber	Ceramic Packing/Hastelloy	4,948
6	LOP	LOP-SCB-00002	Melter 2 Submerged Bed Scrubber	Ceramic Packing/Hastelloy	4,948
7	LOP	LOP-WESP-00001	Melter 1 Wet Electrostatic Precipitator	6% Molybdenum/Stainless Steel	6,347
8	LOP	LOP-WESP-00002	Melter 2 Wet Electrostatic Precipitator	6% Molybdenum/Stainless Steel	6,347
9	LMP	LMP-MLTR-00001	LAW Melter	Stainless Steel/Alloys	1,860
10	LMP	LMP-MLTR-00002	LAW Melter	Stainless Steel/Alloys	1,860
11	LVP	LVP-SCB-00001	Caustic Scrubber	Metal Intalox Packing/Stainless Steel	3,237
12	LVP	LVP-HEPA-00001A	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
13	LVP	LVP-HEPA-00001B	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
14	LVP	LVP-HEPA-00002A	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
15	LVP	LVP-HEPA-00002B	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
16	LVP	LVP-SCO-00001	Selective Catalytic Oxidizer	Stainless Steel	NA
17	LVP	LVP-SCR-00001	Selective Catalytic Reduction Unit	Stainless Steel	NA
18	LVP	LVP-SCR-00002	Selective Catalytic Reduction Unit	Stainless Steel	NA

Table 4-14 WTP Facility Miscellaneous Treatment Systems and Sub-Systems

No.	System/ Subsystem	Component Number	Description	Material	Maximum Volume (gallons)
19	LVP	LVP-HTR-00001A	Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
20	LVP	LVP-HTR-00001B	Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
21	LVP	LVP-HTR-00002	Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
22	LVP	LVP-HTR-00003A	Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
23	LVP	LVP-HTR-00003B	Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
24	LVP	LVP-HX-00001	Heat Exchanger	Stainless Steel	NA
25	LVP	LVP-ADBR-00001	Adsorber	Stainless Steel	NA
26	LVP	LVP-EXHR-00001A	Melter Offgas Exhausters	Stainless Steel	NA
27	LVP	LVP-EXHR-00001B	Melter Offgas Exhausters	Stainless Steel	NA
28	LVP	LVP-EXHR-00001C	Melter Offgas Exhausters	Stainless Steel	NA
HLW Vitrification					
1	HMP	HMP-MLTR-00001	Melter 1	Stainless Steel/Alloys	1,078
2	HMP	HMP-MLTR-00002	Melter 2	Stainless Steel/Alloys	1,078
3	HOP	HOP-WESP-00001	Wet Electrostatic Precipitators	6% Molybdenum/ Stainless Steel	NA
4	HOP	HOP-WESP-00002	Wet Electrostatic Precipitators	6% Molybdenum/Stainless Steel	NA
5	HOP	HOP-SCO-00001	Offgas Organic Oxidizer	Stainless Steel	NA
6	HOP	HOP-SCO-00004	Offgas Organic Oxidizer	Stainless Steel	NA
7	HOP	HOP-SCR-00001	NOx Selective Catalytic Reducer	Stainless Steel	NA
8	HOP	HOP-SCR-00002	NOx Selective Catalytic Reducer	Stainless Steel	NA
9	HOP	HOP-ABS-00002	Silver Mordenite Column	Calcium Silicate/ Stainless Steel	NA
10	HOP	HOP-ABS-00003	Silver Mordenite Column	Calcium Silicate/ Stainless Steel	NA
11	HOP	HOP-FCLR-00001	Film Cooler	Stainless Steel	NA
12	HOP	HOP-FCLR-00002	Film Cooler	Stainless Steel	NA
13	HOP	HOP-HEPA-00001A	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
14	HOP	HOP-HEPA-00001B	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
15	HOP	HOP-HEPA-00002A	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
16	HOP	HOP-HEPA-00002B	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
17	HOP	HOP-HEPA-00007A	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
18	HOP	HOP-HEPA-00007B	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
19	HOP	HOP-HEPA-00008A	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
20	HOP	HOP-HEPA-00008B	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
21	HOP	HOP-HTR-00001B	HEPA Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA

Table 4-14 WTP Facility Miscellaneous Treatment Systems and Sub-Systems

No.	System/ Subsystem	Component Number	Description	Material	Maximum Volume (gallons)
22	HOP	HOP-HTR-00002A	HEPA Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
23	HOP	HOP-HTR-00005A	HEPA Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
24	HOP	HOP-HTR-00005B	HEPA Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
25	HOP	HOP-HX-00001	Heat Exchanger	Stainless Steel	NA
26	HOP	HOP-HX-00002	Heat Exchanger	Stainless Steel	NA
27	HOP	HOP-HX-00003	Heat Exchanger	Stainless Steel	NA
28	HOP	HOP-HX-00004	Heat Exchanger	Stainless Steel	NA
29	HOP	HOP-FAN-00001A	Booster Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
30	HOP	HOP-FAN-00001B	Booster Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
31	HOP	HOP-FAN-00001C	Booster Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
32	HOP	HOP-FAN-00008A	Stack Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
33	HOP	HOP-FAN-00008B	Stack Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
34	HOP	HOP-FAN-00008C	Stack Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
35	HOP	HOP-FAN-00009A	Booster Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
36	HOP	HOP-FAN-00009B	Booster Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
37	HOP	HOP-FAN-00009C	Booster Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
38	HOP	HOP-FAN-000010A	Stack Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
39	HOP	HOP-FAN-000010B	Stack Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
40	HOP	HOP-FAN-000010C	Stack Extraction Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
41	HOP	HOP-ADBR-00001A	Activated Carbon Column	Stainless Steel	NA
42	HOP	HOP-ADBR-00001B	Activated Carbon Column	Stainless Steel	NA
43	HOP	HOP-ADBR-00002A	Activated Carbon Column	Stainless Steel	NA
44	HOP	HOP-ADBR-00002B	Activated Carbon Column	Stainless Steel	NA
45	HOP	HOP-HEME-00001A	HEME	Packed Fiber Bed/Stainless Steel	NA
46	HOP	HOP-HEME-00001B	HEME	Packed Fiber Bed/Stainless Steel	NA
47	HOP	HOP-HEME-00002A	HEME	Packed Fiber Bed/Stainless Steel	NA
48	HOP	HOP-HEME-00002B	HEME	Packed Fiber Bed/Stainless Steel	NA
49	HOP	HOP-SCB-00001	Submerged Bed Scrubber	Ceramic Packing/Alloy 22	4,516
50	HOP	HOP-SCB-00001	Air Ejector Induced Siphon (located on SBS)	Stainless Steel	NA
51	HOP	HOP-SCB-00002	Submerged Bed Scrubber	Ceramic Packing/Alloy 22	4,516
52	HOP	HOP-SCB-00002	Air Ejector Induced Siphon (located on SBS)	Stainless Steel	NA
53	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00004A	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA

Table 4-14 WTP Facility Miscellaneous Treatment Systems and Sub-Systems

No.	System/ Subsystem	Component Number	Description	Material	Maximum Volume (gallons)
54	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00004B	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
55	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00005A	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
56	PJV	PJV-HEPA-00005B	HEPA Filter	Synthetic Fibrous Materials/Stainless Steel	NA
57	PJV	PJV-HTR-00002	Electric Heater	Stainless Steel	NA
58	PJV	PJV-FAN-00002A	Pulse Jet Fans	Stainless Steel	NA
59	PJV	PJV-FAN-00002B	Pulse Jet Fans	Stainless Steel	NA

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