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Radioactive Waste Management Complex

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CNR	Classified Non-Radioactive
CNRH	Classified Non-Radioactive Hazardous
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation
ECPL	Evaluated Carrier Performance List
EM	Environmental Management
ft ³	Cubic Feet
FY	Fiscal Year
LLW	Low-Level Radioactive Waste
MCEP	Motor Carrier Evaluation Program
MLLW	Mixed Low-Level Radioactive Waste
MSTS	Mission Support and Test Services, LLC
NNSS	Nevada National Security Site
NNSSWAC	Nevada National Security Site Waste Acceptance Criteria
RWAP	Radioactive Waste Acceptance Program
RWMC	Radioactive Waste Management Complex

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report satisfies the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) commitment to prepare a quarterly summary of waste shipments to the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) Radioactive Waste Management Complex (RWMC) in Area 5. This report summarizes the third quarter of fiscal year (FY) 2022 and serves as a quarterly report for the following types of shipments:

- Low-Level Radioactive Waste (LLW)
- Mixed Low-Level Radioactive Waste (MLLW)
- Classified Non-Radioactive (CNR) Waste
- Classified Non-Radioactive Hazardous (CNRH) Waste

Tabular summaries are provided that include the following:

- Number and external volume of LLW, MLLW, and CNR/CNRH waste shipments
- Waste generators for LLW, MLLW, and CNR/CNRH waste shipments to and on the NNSS
- Carriers for LLW, MLLW, and CNR/CNRH waste shipments to and on the NNSS
- Waste generator shipments by quarter
- Shipment routes used by carriers
- Incident and accident data applicable to LLW, MLLW, and CNR/CNRH waste shipments

Volume reports using the Low-Level Waste Information System showing cubic feet (ft³) of waste generated may vary slightly due to rounding conventions for conversions from cubic meters to ft³.

Displayed waste volume summations may vary between tables due to rounding to whole numbers.

Commercial motor carriers transporting waste to the NNSS must be identified on the DOE Motor Carrier Evaluation Program (MCEP) Evaluated Carrier Performance List or be evaluated in a manner similar to the MCEP process. DOE contractors who transport waste to the NNSS as private motor carriers have their motor carrier operations evaluated by DOE as part of the Transportation Safety and Operations Compliance Assurance Program. In addition, periodic self-assessments are required per DOE Order 460.2B, *Departmental Materials Transportation and Packaging Management* and the NNSS Radioactive Waste Acceptance Program (RWAP) routinely reviews motor carrier safety and performance to verify compliance with NNSS Waste Acceptance Criteria (NNSSWAC). Because commercial motor carriers and DOE contractors are commercial entities, their operations are also subject to periodic facility and over-the-road inspection by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

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2.0 SUMMARY OF WASTE SHIPMENTS AND VOLUMES DISPOSED FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF FY 2022

Total LLW and MLLW Received from Offsite Generators

A total of 180,843 ft³ of LLW and MLLW was disposed at the NNSS by 14 approved radioactive waste generators in 210 shipments. These shipments were transported using 11 MCEP-approved motor carriers and government vehicles.

Total LLW and MLLW Received from Onsite NNSS Generators

A total of 606 ft³ of LLW in six onsite transfers was disposed by one approved NNSS onsite radioactive waste generator. Onsite government vehicles were used for these transfers.

Total CNR/CNRH Waste Received from Offsite Generators

A total of 2,984 ft³ of CNR/CNRH waste was disposed at the NNSS by three approved waste generators in three shipments. These shipments were transported using three MCEP-approved motor carriers.

Table 1 provides a summary of waste shipments. Table 2 provides a list of approved waste generators that shipped to or on the NNSS in the third quarter of FY 2022.

TABLE 1. NNSS INBOUND SHIPMENT SUMMARY FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF FY 2022

INBOUND	OFFSITE GENERATORS	NNSS GENERATORS	CARRIERS	SHIPMENTS	VOLUME (ft ³)
LLW/MLLW (offsite)	14	0	11 ^{a c}	210 ^b	180,843
LLW (onsite)	0	1 ^a	N/A	6 ^b	606
CNR/CNRH	3	0	3 ^c	3 ^b	2,984

^a Government vehicles were used for the six Mission Support and Test Services, LLC (MSTS) onsite transfers and two Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory LLW shipments.

^b The 210 LLW/MLLW and three CNR/CNRH shipments included 37 classified shipments (32 LLW, two MLLW, three CNR and no CNRH).

^c A total of 11 motor carriers (listed in table 3) were utilized between these two shipment categories.

TABLE 2. APPROVED GENERATORS SHIPPING WASTE IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF FY 2022

	GENERATOR	GENERATOR CODE
1	Aberdeen Proving Ground	AP
2	EnergySolutions	DR
3	Idaho National Laboratory – Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project	AM
4	Idaho National Laboratory – Battelle Energy Alliance	NE
5	Idaho National Laboratory – Idaho Environmental Coalition / Fluor Idaho	IN
6	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory	LL
7	Los Alamos National Laboratory	LA
8	Mission Support and Test Services, LLC	DP
9	Oak Ridge National Laboratory – UT-Battelle	OL
10	Oak Ridge Reservation (UCOR)	OR
11	PermaFix	PF
12	Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant	PO
13	Sandia National Laboratories	SA
14	West Valley	WV
15	Y-12 National Security Complex	BW

2.1 WASTE TRANSPORTERS (MOTOR CARRIERS)

Motor carriers operate in compliance with Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), “Transportation,” and are selected by the waste generator. Generators often use multiple motor carriers during the year to facilitate their shipments. Table 3 provides a list of the approved carriers used to transport LLW, MLLW, and CNR/CNRH waste shipments to the NNSS.

TABLE 3. APPROVED MOTOR CARRIERS USED IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF FY 2022

	APPROVED MOTOR CARRIER	CARRIER CODE
1	Bennett Heavy & Specialized, LLC	BHAV
2	Buffalo Fuel Corporation	BUFI
3	CAST Transportation	COLO
4	Hittman Transport	HITT
5	Interstate Ventures	ITSV
6	Jade Transportation	JADB
7	Landstar Ranger, Inc.	LRGR
8	M.P. Environmental Services, Inc.	MPES
9	Specialty Transport, Inc.	MAJH
10	Tri-State Motor Transit	TSMT
11	Turnkey Technical Services, LLC	TNKA
	Government Vehicle*	GT+ / LLNL

* Government vehicles transporting waste shipments are fully compliant with DOT.

2.2 SHIPMENTS

Table 4 provides a summary of quarterly offsite shipments of LLW and MLLW received at the NNSS in FY 2022. Table 5 provides a summary of NNSS onsite transfers of LLW and MLLW in FY 2022. Table 6 provides a summary of all CNR and CNRH waste shipments received at the NNSS in FY 2022. The three tables include a summary for FY 2022 in the “Total” column.

TABLE 4. OFFSITE SHIPMENTS OF LLW AND MLLW TRANSPORTED TO THE NNSS IN FY 2022

OFFSITE INBOUND SHIPMENTS Generator, State(s)	SHIPMENTS BY QUARTER				
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Total
Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD	2	2	2		6
DUF6 Conversion Project, Energy Solutions, TN	0	2	0		2
Idaho National Laboratory – Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project, ID	4	0	5		9
Idaho National Laboratory – Battelle Energy Alliance, ID	7	9	9		25
Idaho National Laboratory – Idaho Environmental Coalition/Fluor Idaho, ID	13	38	26		77
Idaho National Laboratory – Idaho Environmental Coalition/Fluor Idaho, ID	3	1	5		9
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, CA	1	4	18		23
Los Alamos National Laboratory, NM	24	8	10		42
Navarro, NV	1	0	0		1
Oak Ridge National Laboratory – UT-Battelle, TN	3	3	4		10
Oak Ridge Reservation (UCOR), TN	110	86	30		226
Pantex Plant, TX	1	0	0		1
PermaFix, TN, WA, and FL	9	9	64		82
Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant, OH	23	18	17		58
Sandia National Laboratories, NM	3	5	4		12
West Valley, NY	4	1	8		13
Y-12 National Security Complex, TN	18	9	8		35
Total Shipments	226	195	210		631

TABLE 5. NNSS ONSITE TRANSFERS OF LLW AND MLLW IN FY 2022

ONSITE TRANSFERS Generator, State	SHIPMENTS BY QUARTER				
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Total
Mission Support and Test Services, NV	4	4	6		14
Total Shipments	4	4	6		14

TABLE 6. CNR AND CNRH SHIPMENTS TRANSPORTED TO THE NNSS IN FY 2022

OFFSITE INBOUND SHIPMENTS Generator, State	SHIPMENTS BY QUARTER				
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Total
Idaho National Laboratory – Battelle Energy Alliance, ID	0	2	1		3
Los Alamos National Laboratory, NM	0	0	1		1
Mission Support and Test Services, NV	0	2	0		2
Sandia National Laboratory, NM	2	1	1		4
Total Shipments	2	5	3		10

2.3 TRANSPORTATION ROUTE REPORTING

DOE policy is to avoid shipments traveling through the I-15/US-95 interchange. The NNSSWAC includes wording requiring generators to notify their carriers to avoid this area and to select routes that are not restricted by the NNSSWAC.

Shipments continue to be restricted from travel near the Hoover Dam. The NNSSWAC requires waste generators to ensure that the route selected does not traverse the Hoover Dam Bypass Bridge (Mike O’Callaghan – Pat Tillman Memorial Bridge) or central Las Vegas, including the Las Vegas Beltway (I-215) and the Spaghetti Bowl (I-15/U.S.-95 interchange) and does not transport waste on California State Route 127 (CA-127) on California- established “blackout dates.”

Recent quarterly and annual transportation reports may be found on the Internet at <http://www.nnss.gov/pages/programs/RWM/Reports.html>.

Older reports may be obtained by contacting the Office of Scientific and Technical Information at <https://www.osti.gov>, or by phone at (865) 576-8401.

Table 7 provides details of waste shipment routes traveled to the NNS for the third quarter of FY 2022. Figure 1 provides a graphic depiction of waste shipment routes traveled to the NNS for the third quarter of FY 2022.

TABLE 7. SHIPMENT ROUTES FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF FY 2022

LOW-LEVEL, MIXED LOW-LEVEL & CLASSIFIED NON-RADIOACTIVE WASTE SHIPMENTS TO/ON THE NEVADA NATIONAL SECURITY SITE																		
THIRD QUARTER REPORT, FY 2022 (APRIL, MAY, JUNE 2022)																		
RouteType	Route Description	Route Legend	Origin State>>	CA	ID	ID	ID	MD	NM	NM	NV	NY	OH	TN, WA, FL	TN	TN	TN	TN
			Total Shipments by Route	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory	Idaho National Laboratory - AMWTP	Idaho National Laboratory - Battelle Energy Alliance	Idaho National Laboratory - IEC	Aberdeen Proving Ground	Los Alamos National Laboratory	Sandia National Laboratories	Mission Support and Test Services	West Valley	Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant	Perma-Fix	Energy Solutions	Oak Ridge Reservation (UCOR)	Oak Ridge National Laboratory - UT Battelle	Y-12 National Security Complex
CALIFORNIA	I-15, CA-127, NV-373, US-95		70	13										57				
CALIFORNIA	I-40, I-15, CA-127, NV-373, US-95		5	5														
SOUTHERN	I-40, US-93, AZ-68, NV-163, US-95, NV-164, I-15, NV-160, US-95		79						4	5			16	7	5	30	4	8
SOUTHERN	I-40, US-95, NV-164, I-15, NV-160, US-95		17			8		2	6				1					
SOUTHERN	I-40, US-93, AZ-68, NV-163, US-95, NV-164, I-15, CA-127, NV-373, US-95		1						1									
NORTHERN	I-80, US-93-ALT, US-6, US-95		15			7						8						
NORTHERN	US-93, US-6, US-95		21		9	7	5											
NORTHERN	US-395 (CA/NV LINE), I-80, US-50/95-ALT, US-50, US-95		5			5												
ON-SITE	On-Site Shipments	N/A	6								6							
Total Shipments by Generator>>>			219	18	9	27	5	2	11	5	6	8	17	64	5	30	4	8
Total Volume (ft ³) by Generator>>>			184,433	35,519	7,769	30,210	1,514	882	4,139	1,869	606	8,479	20,937	34,387	1,883	15,716	6,389	14,133

FIGURE 1. ROUTES TRAVELLED TO THE NNSS IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF FY 2022



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3.0 INCIDENT/ACCIDENT DATA

There were no transportation incidents and no accidents in the third quarter of FY 2022.

For the purpose of this report, incidents and accidents are defined as follows:

- **Incident:** An unintentional release of hazardous material from a package during transportation, load shift, or any occurrence during transportation in which any of the circumstances identified in 49 CFR 171.15(b) occurs (American National Standards Institute N14.27)
- **Accident:** An occurrence involving a commercial motor vehicle operating on a highway in interstate or intrastate commerce that results in a fatality; bodily injury to a person who, as a result of the injury, immediately receives medical treatment away from the scene of the accident; or one or more motor vehicles incurring disabling damage as a result of the accident, requiring the motor vehicle(s) to be transported away from the scene by a tow truck or other motor vehicle (49 CFR 390.5[1])

Section 12, Transit Notifications, of the NNSSWAC details the required notifications that waste generators and/or the motor carrier/driver shall make.

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4.0 EVALUATION OF SHIPPING CAMPAIGNS

This section contains a summary of the annual shipping campaigns with respect to the significance of the packaging or transportation incidents or accidents reported in Section 3.0 of this report. Waste generators must ensure that waste is packaged and transported in a safe and compliant manner as detailed in the NNSWAC and DOT regulations. Generators and their contracted shipping carriers must be diligent with regard to all requirements including packaging, routing, and shipping documentation.

The NNSW RWP provides oversight of NNSW waste generators for compliance with DOT regulations and the NNSWAC, including the NNSWAC, Shipment Scheduling and Release. All RWP-identified findings and observations on waste generator performance are tracked and trended.

Findings are issued by RWP personnel to identify, track, and resolve deficiencies that violate the NNSWAC, including failure to follow DOT requirements. Observations are also issued by RWP personnel for conditions that represent a weakness in a waste generator's quality assurance or waste certification program that, if left uncorrected, could result in a condition adverse to quality. For the purposes of this report, only transportation and packaging findings are reported.

There was one transportation-related finding in the third quarter of FY 2022.

- Finding I-3349 was issued to Idaho National Laboratory, Battelle Energy Alliance. A motor carrier was utilized that was not on the MCEP Evaluated Carrier Performance List (ECPL). The original carrier Bennett Heavy & Specialized LLC, who is currently an ECPL carrier, had brokered with A&B Heavy Haul Inc. due to the specialized nature of the trailer being utilized. The use of A&B Heavy Haul Inc. (ABH+) was discussed at the inspection location on the day of shipment; and, based on discussion with BHAV personnel, the BEA shipper assumed that the appropriate agreement was executed between BHAV and ABH+ where ABH+ would transport the shipments under the operating authority of BHAV, including their ECPL status. After the shipment had departed, it was determined that the agreement was not executed to transport under the authority of BHAV. This revelation made the shipment noncompliant with NNSWAC Section 6.4 requiring the evaluation of a non-ECPL motor carrier. The shipment arrived at the NNSW on schedule and without incident.

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