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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

%	percent
β	beta
AECOM	AECOM Technical Services
C-T	columbium-tantalum
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
cpm	counts per minute
DCGL	derived concentration guideline level
DP	decommissioning plan
dpm	disintegrations per minute
$dpm/100 cm^2$	disintegrations per minute per 100 square centimeters
DQO	data quality objectives
EMC	elevated measurement comparison
FSS	Final Status Survey
FSSR	Final Status Survey Report
keV	kiloelectron-volt
m^2	square meters
MARSSIM	Multi-Agency Radiation and Site Investigation Manual (NUREG-1575)
min	minute
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
NRC	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Tc	technetium
WRS	Wilcoxon Rank Sum

31.0 RESULTS SUMMARY FOR PLANT 7 PAVEMENT SU2

This chapter of the Final Status Survey Report (FSSR) presents the results of the final status survey (FSS) and data assessment for Plant 7 pavement survey unit SU2 in accordance with Columbium-Tantalum (C-T) Phase II Decommissioning Plan (DP) Section 14.5. The FSS for this Class 2 survey unit was completed by AECOM Technical Services (AECOM) in August and September of 2011. The SU2 data assessment was performed based on the assumptions, methods, and performance criteria established to satisfy the data quality objectives (DQOs) in accordance with the C-T Phase II DP Section 14.4.3.8. The summary statistics provide numerical values for measures of central tendency (i.e., mean, median), variation (i.e., standard deviation), and spread (i.e., minimum, maximum). Data evaluation and statistical analyses were performed and a separate decision was made for each survey unit of the C-T Plant as to its suitability for release for unrestricted use based upon the industrial use scenario release criterion as established in C-T Phase II DP Chapter 5.

31.1 OVERVIEW

SU2 is a Class 2 survey unit comprising the west wastewater neutralization basin in C-T Plant 7W. The survey unit consists of basin concrete surfaces, excluding troughs located along north and east sides of basin, and drains located in center of basin floor and on west wall. The survey unit is approximately 1,693 square meters (m^2) in size, which is less than the size limit of 10,000 m^2 for Class 2 survey units for pavement (per C-T Phase II DP, Table 14-4). Class 2 was the appropriate classification because the survey unit had potential residual radioactivity that was not expected to exceed the DCGL_W. Figure 31-1 shows the location of SU2 within the Plant 7W area.

Liner and debris material were removed from the basin and the exposed concrete surfaces were power washed. Figure 31-2 and Figure 31-3 are photographs of SU2 after exposing and power washing the concrete.



Figure 31-1 Location of Pavement SU2 in C-T Plant 7W



Figure 31-2 Photograph of Plant 7W West Basin Looking East



Figure 31-3 Photograph of Plant 7W West Basin Looking West

31.2 REMEDIAL ACTION AND RADIOLOGICAL SUMMARY

Exposed concrete surfaces, after power washing, were surveyed using an alpha and beta-gamma scintillation detector. Survey results are summarized in Table 31-1.

Table 31-1 Post-Remediation Residual Radioactivity Summary

Type of Residual Radioactivity	Range
Removable	$< 10 \text{ dpm}/100 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ alpha}$ $< 10 \text{ dpm}/100 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ beta-gamma}$
Total	$10 \text{ to } 510 \text{ dpm}/100 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ alpha}$ 140 to 3,800 dpm/100 cm ² beta-gamma

Note: cpm to dpm conversion based on instrument response to average beta energy of 86.4 keV (Tc-99)

31.3 DATA COLLECTION

Data collection was performed based on the assumptions, methods, and performance criteria established to satisfy the DQOs in accordance with the C-T Phase II DP, Sections 14.4.1 and 14.4.3. Details regarding FSS design and quality assurance and quality control applicable to all survey units were discussed in Chapters 4 and 5, respectively, of this FSSR.

31.3.1 Beta Surface Activity Scans

A beta surface scan was performed over the basin surfaces to locate radiation anomalies that might indicate areas with elevated residual radioactivity where further data collection (i.e., biased measurement) was warranted.

31.3.2 Surface Activity Measurements

Surface activity measurements to be used for the statistical test were collected at a frequency and at representative locations throughout SU2 such that a statistically sound conclusion regarding the radiological condition of the survey unit could be developed. Additional biased surface activity measurements were also collected at locations of elevated residual radioactivity identified by the beta surface activity scans. Figure 31-4 provides the beta surface activity scan results and surface activity measurement locations. A total of 20 (15 systematic and 5 beta surface activity scan biased locations) surface activity measurements were performed on the surfaces of SU2.



Figure 31-4 Beta Surface Activity Scans and Surface Activity Measurement Locations

Table 31-2 provides the surface activity measurement results and summary statistics for the 15 systematic measurements. Table 31-3 provides the surface activity measurements results for the 5 beta surface activity scan biased measurement locations. In evaluating the data, background contributions were not accounted for in calculating surface activity. Alpha surface activity measurements were performed by AECOM, presumably for informational purposes, and are provided in the tables.

Location	Alpha Counts ^a	Beta Counts ^a	Alpha CPM	Beta CPM	Alpha (dpm/100 cm ²)	Beta (dpm/100 cm ²) ^b
1	240	12,611	48	2,522	103	3,631
2	180	10,190	36	2,038	77	2,934
3	142	7,737	28	1,547	61	2,228
4	95	8,280	19	1,656	41	2,384
5	192	7,348	38	1,470	82	2,116
6	246	7,885	49	1,577	105	2,270
7	264	7,996	53	1,599	113	2,302
8	358	10,244	72	2,049	153	2,950
9	265	9,990	53	1,998	113	2,877
10	370	9,344	74	1,869	158	2,691
11	224	10,319	45	2,064	96	2,971
12	329	8,280	66	1,656	141	2,384
13	211	8,039	42	1,608	90	2,315
14	245	8,256	49	1,651	105	2,377
15	296	8,886	59	1,777	126	2,559
			104	2,599		
			105	2,384		
Standard Deviation:					32	407
Minimum:					41	2,116
				Maximum:	158	3,631

Table 31-2	Systematic	Surface .	Activity	Results
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^a Total count time of five minutes.

^b Surface activity measurements were performed using an 821 cm² detector and reported values include a geometry correction factor of 8.21 ($821 \text{ cm}^2 / 100 \text{ cm}^2$). For the surface activity measurements, it could be conservatively assumed that all of the activity was concentrated into a 100 cm² area within the detector's field of view and the remaining area had no activity (background levels). With that assumption, the calculated range without using the geometry correction factor was 17,372 to 29,811 dpm/100 cm². These results did not exceed the DCGL_w of 180,000 $\beta/\text{min}/100 \text{ cm}^2$.

Location	Alpha Counts ^a	Beta Counts ^a	Alpha CPM	Beta CPM	Alpha (dpm/100 cm ²)	Beta (dpm/100 cm ²) ^b
16	504	11,443	101	2,289	215	3,295
17	326	17,210	65	3,442	139	4,956
18	304	27,139	61	5,428	130	7,815
19	232	14,307	46	2,861	99	4,120
20	286	21,358	57	4,272	122	6,150

Table 31-3 Biased Surface Activity Results

^a Total count time of five minutes.

^b Surface activity measurements were performed using an 821 cm² detector and reported values include a geometry correction factor of 8.21 (821 cm² / 100 cm²). For the surface activity measurements, it could be conservatively assumed that all of the activity was concentrated into a 100 cm² area within the detector's field of view and the remaining area had no activity (background levels). With that assumption, the calculated range without using the geometry correction factor was 27,052 to 64,161 dpm/100 cm². These results did not exceed the DCGL_w of 180,000 β /min/100 cm².

31.4 DATA ANALYSIS

The data analysis was performed based on the assumptions, methods, and performance criteria established to satisfy the DQOs in accordance with the C-T Phase II DP, Sections 14.4.1 and 14.4.3. Details regarding FSS design and quality assurance and quality control applicable to all survey units were discussed in Chapters 4 and 5, respectively, of this FSSR.

31.4.1 Elevated Area Evaluation

There were no elevated areas identified in SU2.

31.4.2 Data Set Screening Analysis

Table 31-4 summarizes the results of the screening tests performed in accordance with Pages 14-27 through 14-29 of the C-T Phase II DP. All applicable tests demonstrating compliance passed.

Screening Test	Test Value	Conclusion
Min/Max	3,631	PASS
Low Level	N/A	Not applicable; Class 2 survey unit
DCGL _W	N/A	Not applicable; Min/Max < DCGL _W
EMC Limit	N/A	Not applicable; No elevated areas

Table 31-4	Screening	Tests	Results
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31.4.2.1 Min/Max

Page 14-27 of the C-T Phase II DP describes calculating the Min/Max screening test value by subtracting the minimum reference area result from the maximum survey unit systematic result. Background was not accounted for in the surface activity measurements; therefore, the Min/Max screening test value was equal to the maximum survey unit result. Location 1 with a beta surface

activity result of 3,631 dpm/100 cm² (from Table 31-2) was the maximum survey unit systematic result, which is the Min/Max screening test value. Because the test value was less than 180,000 β /min/100 cm², no further computations are required, i.e., DCGL_W screening and Wilcoxon Rank Sum (WRS) tests.

31.4.2.2 Low Level

In accordance with Page 14-27 of the C-T Phase II DP, the Low Level screening test is not applicable to Class 2 survey units.

31.4.2.3 DCGL_W

In accordance with Page 14-28 of the C-T Phase II DP and because the Min/Max test value was less than 180,000 β /min/100 cm², the DCGL_W screening test was not applicable to this survey unit.

31.4.2.4 EMC Limit

In accordance with Page 14-28 of the C-T Phase II DP, the elevated measurement comparison (EMC) Limit screening test was not applicable to this survey unit because no elevated areas were identified.

31.4.3 WRS Test

In accordance with Page 14-29 of the C-T Phase II DP and because the Min/Max test value was less than 180,000 β /min/100 cm², the WRS Test was not required to demonstrate compliance.

31.4.4 Retrospective Analysis

A retrospective analysis was performed of the FSS results to determine whether the results met the survey design objectives, in accordance with Page 14-30 of the C-T Phase II DP. Table 31-5 provides the results of the retrospective analysis. Because the actual sample size exceeded the retrospective value sample size, the conclusion is that the survey design objectives were met.

Parameter	A Priori Value	Retrospective Value Based on FSS Results (dpm/100 cm ²)
Upper Bound of Gray Region	DCGL = $180,000 \beta/min/100 cm^2$	180,000
Lower Bound of Gray Region	0.5 x DCGL = 90,000 $\beta/\text{min}/100 \text{ cm}^2$	2,599
Spatial Variability (standard deviation)	1/6 x DCGL = 30,000 $\beta/\text{min}/100 \text{ cm}^2$	407
Type I Error (false positive)	0.05	0.05
Type II Error (false negative)	0.05	0.05
Relative Shift	3	435
Calculated N/2 Sample Size	15 ^a	9
Actual N/2 Sample Size		15

 Table 31-5
 Retrospective Analysis

^a The *a priori* value of 15 for the N/2 sample size was determined to be a conservative value that would allow application of either the Sign or WRS test. The *a priori* value for N/2 is 8 based on MARSSIM Table 5.3.

31.5 DEVIATIONS

In accordance with the second bullet in Section 14.5 of the C-T Phase II DP, the FSSR is required to list changes made in the FSS from what was proposed in the DP. Only one deviation was noted. Page 14-27 of the C-T Phase II DP indicated that the "data set for the survey unit will be processed within a database using screening software developed and verified for the project." This database was not developed; instead, a combination of Microsoft[®] Excel[®] spreadsheets and hand calculations was utilized. This deviation is not significant and does not affect the data collection or assessment.

31.6 NRC INSPECTIONS

A summary of U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) inspections applicable to the FSS are provided in Section 5.8 of this FSSR. None of the inspections applied to the Plant 7 final status surveys.

31.7 CONCLUSION

FSS data were verified to be reliable, appropriately documented, and technically defensible. Specifically, the following conclusions are made:

- The instruments used to collect the data were capable of detecting the radiation type (i.e., gamma) at or below the release criteria (described in Sections 4.4 and 4.5 of this FSSR).
- The calibration of the instruments used to collect the data was current and radioactive sources used for calibration were National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable (described in Section 5.4 of this FSSR). Specific records available upon request.

- Instrument response was checked before instrument use each day, at minimum (described in Section 5.4 of this FSSR). Specific records available upon request.
- The survey methods used to collect the data were appropriate for the media and type of radiation being measured (described in Sections 4.4 and 4.5 of this FSSR).
- The survey data consist of qualified measurement results that are representative of the area of interest.

All the applicable screening tests passed, the retrospective analysis found that the survey design objectives were met. SU2 meets the industrial use scenario release criterion as established in the C-T Phase II DP Chapter 5; and therefore, satisfies the unrestricted release provisions of Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 20, Subpart E.

31.8 REFERENCES

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