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THE LIQUID WASTE SYSTEM – A STATUS –

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SRR Savannah River Remediation AMENTUM | BECHTEL | JACOBS | BWXT 35 million gallons of High-Level Waste



The first high-level waste entered F-Tank Farm in November 1954 and into H-Tank Farm in August 1955 -Approaching 70 years ago!

- The mission is to retrieve, process, treat and dispose of the legacy tank waste, and to close the tanks and ancillary structures, as quickly, safely and efficiently as possible
- 43 of the 51 waste tanks are still active storing or supporting waste processing
 - 8 waste tanks have been operationally closed
- A significant investment has been made in the four key processing and treatment facilities:
 - Tank Farms
 - Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF);
 - Salt Waste Processing Facility (SWPF)
 - Saltstone Production Facility (SPF)



Liquid Waste System Footprint

Initial Complete / On

SWPF

2021

	Initial Service / Operation	
	Tanks 1 - 8 (Type I - FTF)	1954 - 1961
	Tanks 9 - 12 (Type I - HTF)	1955
	Tanks 13 - 16 (Type II)	1956 - 1960
170 acres / Saltstone Production/	Tanks 17 - 20 (Type IV - FTF)	1959 - 1961
3 miles in length	Tanks 21 - 24 (Type IV - HTF)	1961 - 1965
	Tanks 29 - 32 (Type III - HTF)	1971 - 1974
DWPF	Tanks 33 - 34 (Type III - FTF)	1973 - 1974
SWPF	Tanks 35 - 37 (Type IIIA - HTF)	1977 - 1978
H-Tank Farm	Tanks 25 - 28 (Type IIIA - FTF)	1980
• 29 tanks • 2 evaporators (2H & 3H)	Tanks 44 - 47 (Type IIIA - FTF)	1981 - 1982 (Tank 46 - 199
Volume reduction and pre- treatment occurs in H Area	Tanks 38 - 43 (Type IIIA - HTF)	1981 - 1986
P-Tenk Perm	2H Evaporator System	1982
• 22 tanks Inter-Area Line	Tanks 48 - 51 (Type IIIA - HTF)	1983 - 1986
	ETF	1988
• 2.2 miles • Pump pits at each end	SPF / SDF	1990
Diversion boxes at each end and at high point in the middle Effluent Treatment Facility	DWPF	1996
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The Highly Integrated **Liquid Waste System**





The Three End States





Tank Farm Operations/Waste Removal



In 2021, SRR prepped, qualified and transferred over 2,300,000 gallons of salt solution to SWPF - Nearly DOUBLED the previous record!

- A key area of focus is preparing and transferring salt batches to meet the future rate of up to 9 million gallons per year
- Waste retrieval efforts increased significantly during FY21 to prepare tanks for salt and sludge removal activities
- Waste retrieval activities ranging from initial design work to field installation of mixing and transfer pumps is being performed for 11 salt tanks - Tanks 2, 3, 9, 10, 27, 28, 29, 31, 37, 44 and 47
 - and five sludge tanks - Tanks 14, 15, 33, 35 and 39
- Salt batch qualification time has been reduced from 6 months to 6-7 weeks



Ancillary Structure Operational Closures

- F-Area Diversion Boxes (FDB) 5 and 6 were two HLW transfer support structures dedicated to operation of the now inactive 1F Evaporator System
 - 1F Evaporator last operated in 1989
- Developed regulatory strategy for closure of first-of-a-kind inactive ancillary structures
- Completed all regulatory documentation and received approval/concurrence from DOE, SCDHEC and EPA to proceed
- Initiated grouting activities
- Estimated completion of FFA milestone well before the December 31, 2022 commitment date







HLW Treatment - DWPF

- DWPF poured 59 canisters of vitrified high-level waste during FY21, maximizing Strip Effluent (SE) volume per canister while ensuring that SWPF operations were never impacted
 - Received 195 kgals of SE and 38 kgals of filtered solids from SWPF
 - Significantly increased canister loading of salt waste

Introduced a new antifoaming agent

- Reduced foaming and flammable vapors in vessels, allowing higher boiling rates to increase facility throughput rates
- Preparing to convert from a formic acid to a glycolic acid flowsheet to further increase throughput rates
- Completed construction of Melter 4

Since 1996, DWPF has produced 16.4 million pounds of vitrified waste incorporating over 62.4 million curies within 4,250+ canisters





LLW Treatment & Disposal - Saltstone Facilities



- Saltstone Production Facility received and treated 3,143 kgals of decontaminated salt solution from Tank 50 in FY21
 - Smashed previous production records for SPF
 - 5,079 kgals of saltstone was emplaced in SDU 6
- SRR has hired, trained and qualified personnel needed for three-shift operations that will commence in 2022
- Modifications to the Saltstone Hopper Overflow Container (SHOC) tank will decrease impact of process upsets



- SPF transitioned to a twocomponent saltstone formulation
 - 60 wt% Blast Furnace Slag + 40 wt% Fly Ash; elimination of cement
- Followed a decade of research, testing and modeling
- Doubles dry materials storage



Saltstone Disposal Units

- SDU 6 is currently receiving saltstone grout from the SPF
- SDU 7, the second of the mega-unit design, completed construction activities, readiness reviews and received Authority to Operate
 - SDU 7 project was completed 8 months ahead of the original schedule and \$32M under the approved Total Project Costs
- SDU 8 has completed tank construction and is undergoing prestressing
- SDU 9 has completed emplacement of floor sections and multiple wall panels
- SDUs 10-12 awaiting FY22 funding





Record Setting Production Performance

- ~4,000 kgals of salt feed prepared/qualified in the Tank Farms
- ~2,300 kgals of salt fed to SWPF
- ~3,140 kgals of decontaminated salt solution treated at SPF
- ~5,079 kgals of saltstone emplaced in the SDUs

Notable Achievements

- Met <u>all</u> SWPF feed requests and receipt of SWPF products
- Reduced Salt Batch qualification to < 7 weeks</p>
- Actively preparing 16 tanks for waste removal
- Implemented new antifoaming agent in DWPF
- Completed regulatory requirements and began closure of FDB-5/6
- Completed construction and placed SDU 7 into Operations mode ahead of schedule and under budget