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Testing was performed to determine actual damage to drums when dropped from higher than currently stacked elevations. The drum configurations were the same as they are placed in storage; single drums and four drums banded to a pallet.

Maximum drop weights were selected based on successful preliminary tests. Material was lost from each of the single drum tests while only a small amount of material was lost from one of the palletized drums.

The test results are presented in this report.

This report also provides recommendations for further testing to determine the appropriate drum weight which can be stored on a fourth tier.

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1.0 Background

Current safety documentation for the Central Waste Complex limits drum stacking of drums to 3 high. Significant additional storage space for future waste can be obtained if drums can be stacked higher while maintaining adequate safety margins. This method of expanded storage space will reduce costly construction. Two types of Department of Transportation (DOT) certifications exist; Type A which includes a 4' drop test, and Type B which requires a 30' drop. Documentation for drums falling greater than 4 feet is minimal. Sandia National Laboratory has conducted drum drop tests but does not duplicate the Hanford storage configurations (Huerta, et al, 1983). Additional tests were conducted in accordance with this plan to determine actual drum damage resulting from a drop accident.

2.0 Test Method

Tests were conducted in two geometries; single drum and a pallet of four drums to duplicate actual storage conditions. Westinghouse Hanford Company possesses the expertise and facilities to conduct this testing. The performing organization, Equipment Testing Laboratory, is the Department of Energy Center of Excellence for this scope of work.

Each of the drums tested were inspected for damage and/or flaws prior to loading. All drums were new and undamaged. There was no corrosion or other visible deterioration of the drums. Testing was conducted at ambient temperature. The simulated payload was placed directly into each drum without a bag or liner. No vent clips or filters were installed. The locking ring bolts were torqued to 40 ft-lbs in accordance with the procedures used at the Central Waste Complex.

The drums tested are designed and used for solid material handling and storage. No attempt is made to predict the behavior of liquids or gases.

Testing was conducted in accordance with the formal test plan (McBeath & Meeuwsen, 1994).

2.1 Description of Single Drum Test Procedure

The actual drop test procedure is the same as performed for DOT Type 7A tests. The following table lists the test parameters for the single drum tests.
## Table 1
Drop Test Parameters
Single Drum Tests

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DOT 17-C and 17-H (See Table 2 for drum dimensions) drums were tested. Approximately 80% of the existing drummed waste is stored in 17-C drums, the remaining 20% in 17-H containers. The containers are interspersed and not visually distinguishable.

The Department of Transportation adopted United Nations labelling and package identification in 1992. Existing stocks of DOT 17-C and 17-H drums could be sold until November, 1994. Type C & H drums were specifically ordered for this testing because of the existing waste inventory. Some of the drums tested were dually certified and labelled DOT and UN.

Drums heavier than 1000 lbs are administratively limited to the bottom tier (Willis, 1993). Less than 1% of the waste drum inventory exceeds 1000 lbs. The 1000 lb. drums were selected because it is the maximum weight that can be stacked above the base tier.

A drop height of 132" (11') was selected. A drum and pallet is nominally 40" tall. A fourth tier would have 3 drum/pallet combinations (120") supporting it. A drop height of 11' will provide data to the Burial Grounds, Central Waste Complex and other Solid Waste facilities.

2.2 Single Drum Test Equipment/Facilities

The drop pad is secured to the floor of the 305 Building. Loads are distributed through a steel plate to the floor foundation. The pad is unyielding and meets the requirements of 49CFR173.465. Department of Transportation (DOT) tests are conducted at this facility for national certification. The drop pad is approximately 4' x 7'. A 3' high fence surrounds the pad perimeter to constrain smaller packages or missiles generated during the drop testing process. Personnel and equipment are protected from flying objects.

The test drums were new but each one was inspected for damage before being loaded with ballast. Each drum was placed on a platform scale for loading of sand and/or lead bricks. Ballast material was reused from the previous test specimen if the preceding weight was the same. Makeup material was utilized where required due to spills or drum variations. Gross drum weight was entered on the data sheets and verified by test personnel. The drum lid and locking ring were placed on top of the drum. The locking ring was tapped with a hammer while the bolt was tightened. The final torque value (40 ft-lbs.) was attained by using a calibrated torque wrench.

The drum was tipped on it's side after loading by lifting it with a fabric sling, formed into a choker, and set onto a piece of wood cribbing. The choker was moved to the bottom of the drum so that the locking ring bolt was the lowest position and the drum tilted approximately 45° to horizontal. A
length of string, and small weight, was taped to the lowest position on the drum. This device gave an accurate measurement of the drop height without subjecting test personnel to hazardous conditions.
## TABLE 2

### Drum Dimensions

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The test drums were lifted with the permanently mounted facility crane. The crane controls are operated by pendant so that the operator is in close proximity, and communication, to test personnel. The specifically designed release mechanism was attached to the 5 ton crane hook by a rigging shackle. Extra precautions were taken to assure that the drum sling would clear the mechanism and not snag on the release when it was opened. The cord to actuate the release mechanism was separated from the rigging and terminated adjacent to the release station.

The test drum was maneuvered into position over the drop pad and slowly lowered to the proper elevation, i.e., until the weight at the end of the string just touched the surface. The drum was fine positioned by moving the crane bridge and/or trolley.

The drum was dropped by pulling the release mechanism cord. The drum dropped with the nylon choker attached, which simplified recovery. Each drum was videotaped during and after the drop. Still photographs were taken while the drum was situated on the pad just as it had dropped. Additional photographs and video were taken after the drums were recovered. Drum retrieval was accomplished by raising the drum bottom and setting it on a piece of wood cribbing. The choker was then moved to the top of the drum so that it could be lifted upright. Any spilled ballast was recovered and placed back into the drum and lifted to floor level. The drop pad was swept clean so that any spill from subsequent tests would be visible. The ballast material was transferred to another new drum for test continuation. The lead bricks used as ballast were part of the existing 305 Building inventory and handled in accordance with the facility procedures.

Note: One of the drums was photographed utilizing high speed equipment by BCSR Photography. See Photo 8.

2.3 Description of Palletized Drum Drop Tests

The Central Waste Complex stores drums in a 4 drum array banded to a pallet. The pallet configuration increases material handling efficiency and reduces the probability of a single drum handling accident. The pallets are heavier and more stable than a single drum.

A special drop mechanism was fabricated to drop pallets of four drums. The mechanism allowed the dropping of one edge of the pallet to duplicate a situation where the pallet was either pushed off the top of a stack or where the edge was tilted causing motion. A preliminary drop test was conducted to check out the drop mechanism and to verify how the drums landed. The drums on the pallet rotated 90° and landed on the side during the preliminary test. The formal test plan specified that drums of average weight (175#) be situated so that 500# drums (97 percentile of stored waste drums weigh 500# or less) fall onto the lighter drums. This configuration represents realistic storage
conditions. The 175# drums were aligned on the pallet so that they would hit on the locking ring bolt.

2.4 Palletized Drum Test Equipment/Facilities

The palletized drums were dropped onto the same pad as the single drums. Clearances to the metal fence were reduced as the loaded pallets are larger than a single drum. Additional care was exercised to position the pallets precisely over the pad to assure that the metal fence was not damaged.

The test drums were new but each one was inspected for damage before being loaded with ballast. Each drum was placed on a platform scale for loading of sand and/or lead bricks. Ballast material was reused from the previous test specimen if the preceding weight was the same. Makeup material was utilized where required due to spills or drum variations. Gross drum weight was entered on the data sheets and verified by test personnel. The loaded drums were removed from the scale and placed on the pallet. The drum lid and locking ring were attached to the drum. The locking ring was tapped with a hammer while the bolt was tightened. The final torque value (40 ft-lbs.) was attained by using a calibrated torque wrench. The pallet is loaded so that the equal weight drums are side-by-side. The locking ring bolts of the 175# drums are turned to the outside so that the bolt will strike the surface first.

Metal banding is used to secure the drums to the pallet. The procedure used during testing was the same as utilized in the Central Waste Complex. The banding is routed over the lids of two drums and to the pallet. A second parallel band is attached to the adjacent two drums. A third metal band is placed around the four drums just below the top. (See Photo 6.) A length of string, and small weight, was taped to the lowest position on the pallet. This device gave an accurate measurement of the drop height without subjecting test personnel to hazardous conditions.

The loaded pallet is set on a special pallet that is part of the drop mechanism. The special pallet is secured to a metal frame that protrudes beyond each of the four corners. Nylon slings are attached to each of these corners with a lifting shackle. The two slings that are nearest the 500# drums are attached to the crane hook with several shackles. The shackles are used as spacers to level the pallet when it is suspended. This side of the pallet remained fixed. The remaining two slings are attached to the release mechanism which is suspended from the crane hook. When the release occurs the pallet pivots and falls, with the 175 lb. drums closest to impact, rather than dropping straight down.
The pallet was dropped by pulling the release mechanism cord. Each test was videotaped during and after the drop. Still photographs were taken while the pallet and drums were situated on the pad just as it had dropped. Additional photographs and video were taken after the drums were recovered. Drum retrieval was accomplished by removing the bands and raising each drum with a fabric sling. Only one drum in this series spilled a small amount of ballast. The ballast material was transferred to another new drum for test continuation. The lead bricks used as ballast were part of the existing 305 Building inventory and handled in accordance with the facility procedures.

3.0 Test Results

Test results are given on the following test results matrix.

4.0 Test Anomalies and Unexpected Conditions

Preliminary tests were conducted to determine if the procedures were workable. In no case did a breach occur in either a single drum or in a pallet drop. Breached drums during testing were not expected.

The preliminary pallet drop rotated 90° and landed on its side. This was not the case with every test. Drum pallets also rotated 180°, landing on the lid, and 135°, landing on the edge. These geometries were not predicted from the preliminary test.

The banding on one pallet slipped, scattering the drums at impact. The drums remained within the enclosure. In this case the drums slid out of the banding during the fall. The banding remained intact. It did not separate nor was it cut or sheared.

5.0 Conclusions

- 1000 lb. drums dropped 11' are likely to spill some of their contents. 13.7% of the gross weight of the single drum drops was spilled when dropped.

- Four drums banded to a pallet that drop 11' are likely not to open or spill their contents. 0.06% of the gross weight of the palletized drum drops was spilled. Spilled material occurred in only 1 test of 6, or 1 drum in 24 that were dropped in this configuration.

- The total amount (for all tests) of material spilled/amount of material dropped is 5.8%.

- Spilled contents remained near the point of drop. The maximum distance the material spread was 4' from the drum.

- The bottom drums in a multiple (pallet) drum drop cushion the upper drums.
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o Highly visible damage to a drum is not necessarily an indicator of drum integrity. Large areas of damage to the drum sides may not breach the container while a small amount of damage to the lid and upper sealing surface may cause separation and loss of container integrity.

o Larger material size would not have been ejected from the drum. The ballast was selected because of its density and ease of handling, not because it is representative of actual solid waste materials.

o The landing configuration of palletized drums is unpredictable.

o Container breach occurred at the drum/lid sealing surface (see photo 7) in all the cases tested.

o The lid remained attached to the drums in all cases tested.

6.0 Recommendations

1) Perform additional testing with 500 lb. containers.

Basis: 1000 lb. containers were selected as the maximum weight that could be elevated (Willis, 1993). However, less than 1% of all stored drums equal or exceed 1000 lb. Drums weighing less than 500 lb. account for approximately 97% of the stored waste packages. Data for 500 lb. drums provides a more realistic storage configuration. Implementation of future test results may be administratively controlled.

2) Perform additional testing with poly bags around the waste material.

Basis: Poly bags inside the drums may reduce waste dispersion if the container breaches during a handling accident. Breaches occurred at the sealing surface; it is unknown whether bagged material would have been contained. Material spread is of prime concern in analyzing fire propagation.

7.0 References


Appendix A - Photographs
Photo 1
Release Mechanism
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Photo 2
Pallet Drop Mechanism
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Photo 3

Single Drum Ready to Drop

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Photo 4
Single Drum with Spilled Contents
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Photo 5
Major Damaged but non-leaking drum from pallet drop
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Photo 6
Banded drums on Pallet
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Photo 8

High Speed Photo at Impact

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Appendix B - Ultrasonic Thickness Measurements
**ULTRASONIC THICKNESS MEASUREMENT PROCEDURE AND TEST REPORT**

**NONDESTRUCTIVE EXAMINATION**

206 BLDG., 300 AREA - TEL. 376-5401

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**Requester (client):**
- D. R. Duncan (WHC)
- R. S. McBeath (WHC)

**Company:**
- WHC

**MSIN:**
- H5-33
- H5-71
- ETC-1
- ETC-2

**Bldg.:**
- RCHN

**Area:**
- RCHN

**Job No.:** 94-214

**Request/inst. No.:** N/A

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**Part Information**

**Material:** Carbon Steel

**Wall Thickness:** As Found

**Diameter:** 23" Nominal

**Schedule:** DOT Drums

**Size:** 55 Gallon

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**Coverage**
- Spot
- 100% of area requested

**Instrumentation**
- S/N 92049402
- Mfg. Panametrics Model 26DL+
- Standards Lab No 584-32-02-02
- Expiration Date 5/11/95

**Calibration Standards**
- Standards Lab No 584-99-30-128(1)
- Expiration Date 7/16/95
- Standards Lab No 584-99-30-132(1)
- Expiration Date 8/5/95

**Transducer**
- Diameter .250"
- Frequency 10 MHz
- Mfg. Panametrics Type D-792
- Serial No. 99106
- Stand Off -NONE-
- Couplant ECHO "Ultragel II"
- Batch No. 8336

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**Results**

**Site:** 305 Building Drop Location

**Trench:** N/A

**Module:** N/A

**Tier:** N/A

**Alphabetic Row Position:** N/A

**Numeric Row Position:** N/A

**Hanford Drum Number:** See Date Sheets for I.D.'s

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**Ultrasonic Drum Readings on Continuing Page**
AREAS 1, 2, 3, AND 4 TAKEN APPROXIMATELY 90 DEGREES APART.

Thickness Readings Taken Thru Paint Unless Otherwise Specified

(NOTE: ALL MEASUREMENTS ARE IN INCHES)

BARREL UNFOLDED

THICKNESS LIMITS:

- All Thickness Readings (≥ 0.042 inch)
- Thickness Reading(s) (< 0.042 inch)
- NDE Unable to Measure an Area(s) Because:

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NDE UT Level II

Date

B J Stewart 10/12/94
**TOP AND BOTTOM MEASUREMENT LOCATIONS.**

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Location # N/A
Tier # N/A
DOT Drum Type: 17 H

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All Thickness Readings (≥.042 inch)
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AREAS 1, 2, 3, AND 4 TAKEN APPROXIMATELY 90 DEGREES APART.

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**Information Only**

### Top and Bottom Measurement Locations

- **0°**
  - Top: N/A
  - Bottom: 0.055
- **120°**
  - Top: N/A
  - Bottom: 0.057
- **240°**
  - Top: N/A
  - Bottom: 0.057
  - (removed paint, thickness = 0.060)

**All Thickness Readings (≥ 0.042 inch)**

**Thickness Reading(s) (< 0.042 inch)**

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Hanford Drum #: III-007
Location #: N/A
Tier #: N/A

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Top and bottom measurement locations.

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All thickness readings (≥ .042 inch)

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TOP AND BOTTOM MEASUREMENT LOCATIONS.

BARREL UNFOLDED

DRUM TOP
Belt Ring Joining Point

DRUM BOTTOM
Bolt Ring Joining Point

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Date

All Thickness Readings
(>0.042 inch)

Thickness Reading(s)
(<0.042 inch)

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