



**TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF RADIOLOGICAL HEALTH**

William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 15th Floor Nashville, Tennessee 37243
615-532-0364

RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL LICENSE

Amendment 61

Pursuant to Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation Regulations, and in reliance on statements and representations heretofore made by the licensee, a license is hereby issued authorizing the licensee to receive, acquire, possess, and transfer radioactive material listed below; and to use such radioactive material for the purpose(s) and at the place(s) designated below. This license is subject to all applicable rules and regulations of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation and orders of the Division of Radiological Health, now or hereafter in effect and to any conditions specified below.

LICENSEE 1. Name Erwin ResinSolutions, LLC		3. License Number R-86011-L27	
2. Address 151 T.C. Runion Road Erwin, Tennessee 37650		4. Expiration Date December 31, 2027	
6. Radioactive Material (Element and Mass Number)		8. Chemical and/or physical form	
9. Maximum Radioactivity and/or quantity of material which licensee may possess at any one time.		SEE SUPPLEMENTARY SHEETS	

10. Authorized Use

SEE SUPPLEMENTARY SHEETS

CONDITIONS

11. Unless otherwise specified, the authorized place of use is the licensee's address stated in Item 2 above.

For the Commissioner
Tennessee Department of Environment and
Conservation

Date of Issuance: March 6, 2023

By: _____

Division of Radiological Health
Ronald J. Parsons, Environmental Consultant



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6. Radioactive Material (Element and <u>Mass Number</u>)	8. Chemical and/or <u>Physical Form</u>	9. Maximum Radioactivity and/or Quantity of Material Which Licensee May <u>Possess at Any One Time</u>
A. Mixed activation and fission products with atomic number 2-92 inclusive, except for C-14 and Fe-55	A. Ion exchange resins and filter media; organic cleaning solutions of low activity used to clean the secondary side of the PWR steam generators and other heat exchangers; waste oils including hydraulic fluids and anti-freeze, and sludge, which can also be well characterized, which are non-hazardous (e.g., not mixed wastes), and which are very low activity; any form necessary for the operation of the pyrolysis process, and any secondary waste resulting from the pyrolysis process, including waste ion exchange resins and organic filter media. Sealed sources for disposal not to exceed 1 curie per single source, total aggregate source activity not to exceed 100 curies.	A. 5000 curies total
B. Hydrogen 3	B. Same as 8.A.	B. 2000 curies
C. Carbon 14	C. Same as 8.A.	C. 3000 curies
D. Iron 55	D. Same as 8.A.	D. 8000 curies
E. NARM	E. Same as 8.A.	E. 2 curies
F. Source material	F. Same as 8.A.	F. 200 pounds



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G. Transuranics (excluding plutonium)	G. Any	G. 2.5 curies
H. Uranium 233	H. Same as 8.A.	H. 200 grams *
I. Uranium enriched in isotope Uranium 235	I. Same as 8.A.	I. 350 grams of Uranium 235 *
J. Plutonium	J. Same as 8.A.	J. 200 grams and not to exceed 2 curies *
K. Any radioactive material excluding special nuclear material	K. Sealed sources (any source that has been evaluated and approved for distribution under a license issued by the Department, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an Agreement State, or Licensing State, as appropriate)	K. No single source to exceed 5 millicuries. Total not to exceed 20 millicuries.

* For each kind of special nuclear material determine the ratio between the quantity of that special nuclear material and the quantity specified here for the same kind of special nuclear material. The sums of such ratios for all kinds of special nuclear material in combination shall not exceed "1" (i.e., unity).

10. Authorized use

A. through J.

- Thermal treatment (pyrolysis) of low-level radioactive waste in accordance with statements, representations, and procedures contained in documents referenced in conditions of this license
- Resin consolidation and mixing of low-level radioactive waste in accordance with statements, representations, and procedures contained in documents referenced in conditions of this license



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- Thermal processing of client water of low-level radioactive waste in accordance with statements, representations, and procedures contained in documents referenced in conditions of this license
- Shipment and receipt of radioactive material in accordance with SRPAR and D.O.T. regulations
- Packaging and repackaging of radioactive material and waste
- Storage of waste, in-process material, and contaminated equipment and materials
- Decontamination of packages, materials, equipment, containers, buildings, and areas
- Disposal of calibration and reference sources
- Laboratory analysis and testing of samples
- Process development and testing activities
- Treatment of effluents
- Maintenance and repair of facilities, systems, packages, and portable process equipment
- Additional operations, maintenance, testing and modifications of permanent and portable process equipment directly related to equipment used to load and transport waste to the facility from the generator and to transport waste from the facility back to the generator or disposal site
- Dewatering and drying of incoming, in-process, and secondary wastes
- Receipt of containers that contain inorganic generally non-compactable materials where these materials have considerable void space; with the intention of packaging reformed residue to consume void space of the container such that void space is less than 15%
- Receipt of containers that contain sludge materials which have been characterized radiologically and certified that the material is not a RCRA or TSCA regulated waste



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- Receipt for possession, consolidation, packaging and transfer of sealed sources received for disposal only
- Sources amenable for processing would be introduced into the pyrolysis system in conjunction with the appropriate waste class and transferred to a container destined to be loaded with ERS RR

K. Possession and use of calibration and reference standards.

Conditions (continued)

12. The licensee shall comply with applicable provisions of 0400-20-04, 0400-20-05, 0400-20-10, and 0400-20-13 of "State Regulations for Protection Against Radiation."
13. Radioactive material authorized by this license may be used and stored only at Erwin ResinSolutions, LLC, 151 T. C. Runion Road, Erwin, TN.
- 14.A. Radioactive material authorized by this license shall be used by, or under the supervision of, individuals approved in accordance with section 3.11 of the Radiation Safety Guide.
 - B. An authorized user shall be present on-site during periods of operation involving the handling or processing of radioactive material. An authorized user shall be available for telephone consultation during periods when other activities are being conducted on the site. A Radiation Safety Technician (RST) shall be present on-site during work in Radiologically Controlled Areas associated with this license.
- B. The Radiation Safety Officer for this license is Greg Peterschmidt.
15. A. The licensee shall develop and maintain a written radiation protection manual that ensures the implementation of the radiation protection program in accordance with "State Regulations for Protection Against Radiation" (SRPAR), ALARA, and documents referenced in conditions of this license. Changes to this manual require prior written approval from the Department.
 - B. In addition, the licensee shall develop and implement written standard operating procedures to ensure all activities involving the handling and/or use of radioactive materials authorized by this license are carried out in a manner consistent with



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SRPAR, ALARA, the licensee's radiation protection manual, and the documents referenced in conditions of this license.

- C. These procedures may be modified without prior approval of the Department when deemed appropriate and documented by the Radiation Safety Officer. However, adherence to the current procedures as written shall be considered a condition of this license. The written procedures required by this condition shall be available for inspection by the Department. A copy of the current procedures shall be forwarded to the Department upon request.
16. In addition to other requirements of this license or of Chapter 0400-20-05-.60 of "State Regulations For Protection Against Radiation," the licensee shall conduct operations so that radiation levels in unrestricted areas would not cause an individual, assuming an occupancy of one (1), to receive a total effective dose equivalent in excess of 500 millirems in one calendar year. These radiation levels shall be appropriately monitored by the licensee, and records of such monitoring shall be maintained for inspection by the Department. For calculational purposes of this condition, the licensee shall base its anticipated exposure to a member of the public upon the sum of the maximally exposed dosimeter and the highest air concentration derived using the latest available pertinent data.
 17. No radioactive material (excluding calibration and standardization sources) or radioactive waste may be possessed under this license, from its time of receipt until its transfer from the facility, for a period of time greater than three hundred sixty-five (365) days. Exceptions are listed as follows:
 1. Equipment or a product, specifically licensed or otherwise authorized, and stored on-site for future use: (1) at a location authorized by an EnergySolutions Tennessee Radioactive Material License or (2) at a location where such material is authorized by the agency having jurisdiction.
 2. Up to 1000 cubic feet of radioactive waste may be stored for an unlimited period of time. Radioactive waste stored under this provision shall not include TRU wastes (wastes containing concentrations greater than 100 nCi/gm of transuranics) or mixed wastes (radioactive wastes which exhibit the characteristics outlined in Subpart C of 40 CFR Part 261 or radioactive wastes which contain hazardous wastes listed in Subpart D of 40 CFR Part 261). The licensee shall maintain records of the receipt and storage of this material such that its volume and location are readily identifiable.



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18. No radioactive material or radioactive waste may be stored so as to exceed the following stacking limits:

<u>Container Type</u>	<u>Stacking Limit</u>
Drums	3 high
B-25 Boxes	3 high
B-12 Boxes	5 high
Sea Land Cont.	1 high
Any other strong tight container	10 feet nominal

This condition also includes "waste radioactive material" generated under the authority of this license.

19. The licensee shall maintain complete and accurate records of the receipt and disposal of radioactive material. The licensee shall, for radioactive material no longer useful for any purpose and for any equipment or supplies contaminated with such material for which further use and decontamination is not planned, define those materials as radioactive waste and treat them as such in accordance with the following provisions:

- A. Radioactive waste material shall not be stored with non-radioactive waste.
- B. A written record of all radioactive waste material shall be maintained until it has been determined by a suitable survey or radioassay that it has decayed to background levels or until it has been shipped to an authorized recipient in accordance with all applicable regulations. Accountability of radioactive waste material prepared for shipment but not yet shipped from the licensee's premises shall be maintained by the licensee by an internal record system such that the licensee is constantly aware of the material's location and the proposed time of shipment. Individuals who are involved in the shipping of such material and/or the storage of such material prior to shipment, shall be trained in the precautions necessary for such handling and storage.
- C. For material which has decayed to background levels as determined by radioassay or external level as measured with appropriately calibrated instruments, records shall indicate that the material was determined to be no longer radioactive and will indicate the methods and results of the survey or analysis.



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D. Shipment records of radioactive waste material shall be maintained and the licensee shall require written confirmation from the authorized recipient of such material that this material has been received.

E. All records and written confirmations required by this condition shall be maintained for inspection by the Department.

The requirements for this condition are in addition to any other requirements for the handling and/or disposal of radioactive material contained in this license and "State Regulations for Protection Against Radiation."

20. The licensee in making disposal of radioactive wastes to the sanitary sewerage system shall do so in conformity with 0400-20-05-.122 of "State Regulations for Protection Against Radiation."
21. The licensee shall not accept either radioactive waste and/or items contaminated or potentially contaminated with licensable quantities of radioactive material or radioactive materials or items from licensable activities for repackaging, processing, storage pending transfer/disposal unless the shipper of such waste possesses a valid license for delivery issued pursuant to 0400-20-10-.32 of "State Regulations for Protection Against Radiation."
22. Written assurances must be furnished by the facility shipping the radioactive material indicating that the facility may accept return of the material processed or unprocessed. In addition, for states outside the Southeast Compact, the state or appropriate Compact must be a signatory to the Interregional Access Agreement for Waste Management or assurances shall be obtained from the appropriate state governor's office, the state radiation control program, and the appropriate Compact official, if any.
23. The licensee shall establish in every contractual obligation relating to radioactive materials the ability to return radioactive materials, processed or unprocessed, to the prior licensed or exempt possessor.
24. The following evaluations shall be performed for all process ventilation systems:
 - 1) Air balance within the RCA at least semi-annually, and following any ventilation system or process changes which could potentially alter the effectiveness of the system.



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- 2) Particulate removal efficiency of the main filtration system HEPA filters by DOP or comparable testing in accordance with pertinent ANSI standards immediately following installation of new HEPA filters or at least semi-annually.
25. A. Sealed sources authorized by this license in Item K shall be tested for leakage and/or contamination at intervals not to exceed six (6) months. In the absence of a certificate from a transferor indicating that a test has been made within six (6) months prior to transfer, the sealed source shall not be put into use until tested.
- B. The tests shall be capable of detecting the presence of 0.005 microcurie of radioactive material on the test sample. The test sample shall be taken from the sealed source or from the surface of the device in which the sealed source is permanently mounted or stored on which one might expect contamination to accumulate. Records of leak tests shall be kept in units of microcuries and maintained for inspection by the Department.
- C. If the test reveals the presence of 0.005 microcurie or more of removable contamination, the licensee shall immediately withdraw the sealed source from use and shall cause it to be decontaminated and repaired or to be disposed of in accordance with Department regulations. A report shall be filed within five (5) days of the test with the Division of Radiological Health, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower, 15th Floor, 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee, 37243, describing the equipment involved, the test results, and the corrective action taken.
- D. Tests for leakage and/or contamination shall be performed by the licensee or by other persons authorized by this Department, the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, or another Agreement State to perform such services.
26. Notwithstanding the periodic leak test required by Condition 25, any licensed sealed source is exempt from such leak tests when the source contains 100 microcuries or less of beta and/or gamma emitting material or 10 microcuries or less of alpha emitting material.
27. The licensee shall not open or remove sealed sources containing radioactive material from their respective source holders.
28. In addition to the possession limits in Item 9, the licensee shall further restrict the possession of licensed material to quantities below the limits specified in "State Regulations for Protection Against Radiation" 0400-20-10-.13(20) which require



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consideration of the need for an emergency plan for responding to a release of licensed material.

29. The licensee is authorized to release solid materials and equipment for unrestricted use in accordance with the surface contamination criteria in NRC NUREG-1757, Volume 1, Revision 2, section 15.11.1.1, "Release of Solid Materials with Surface Residual Radioactivity" (Materials Licensees), and MARSAME NUREG-1575, Supplemental 1, Table E.2 for tritium.
30. The licensee is authorized to receive, possess, and use any radioactive material distributed under a general license, issued by the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, or another Agreement State, without being specifically referenced in Items 6, 8, 9, and 10 of this license. Notwithstanding any other conditions of this license, the general licensee may possess and use radioactive material received under the provisions of "State Regulations for Protection Against Radiation", 0400-20-10 in accordance with the requirements provided at the time of transfer of the radioactive material under the terms of the general license.
31. The combined authorization for processing and storage granted by this license shall not exceed a total of 19,762.20 square feet. The licensee is required to provide \$830,020.38 US (eight hundred thirty thousand twenty US Dollars and 38 cents) in financial assurance monies in accordance with "State Regulations for Protection Against Radiation" 0400-20-10-.12(4).
32. An exemption is granted to the requirements in 0400-20-05-.115(3) of "State Regulations for Protection Against Radiation" that a package received during normal working hours shall be monitored within 3 hours, and that a package not received during normal working hours shall be monitored no later than 3 hours after the beginning of the next working day. Instead, the licensee may monitor a package received during normal working hours within the shift that it is received, or for a package not received during normal working hours may monitor that package within the first shift of the next working day. This authorization does not relieve the licensee from monitoring packages as soon as practical after receipt.

This exemption may be withdrawn or modified by the Department at any time it is determined necessary to protect the public health and safety or if it is found that the conditions on which this exemption is based have been violated.



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33. No provision of this license relieves the licensee from compliance with other Federal, State and local laws, ordinances, and regulations applicable to the licensee's activities.
34. Except as specifically provided otherwise by this license, the licensee shall possess and use radioactive material described in Items 6, 8, and 9 of this license in accordance with statements, representations, and procedures contained in the following:
- Application dated May 1, 2017
 - Email dated February 27, 2018, with attachments
 - **Information received February 14, 2023 (bond modification document)**
 - Letters dated April 6, 2017, with attachments, June 6, 2017, with attachments, July 18, 2017, with attachments, August 16, 2017, with attachments, November 13, 2017, November 14, 2017, with attached EnergySolutions Tennessee Radiation Safety Guide (RSG-1), Revision 11, December 5, 2017, January 24, 2018, February 23, 2018, with attachments, January 22, 2019, with attachments, July 10, 2019, with attachments, November 11, 2020, with attachments, January 7, 2022, with attachments, and November 17, 2022, with attached EnergySolutions Tennessee Radiation Safety Guide (RSG-1), Revision 12, September 16, 2022, with attachments.