

Proposed Change to MgO Emplacement

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MgO History

- Feb 11, 2008 Reyes to Moody letter
 - Maintain 1.2 Excess Factor by room
 - Reactivity $96\% \pm 2$ mole % ($>94\%$)
- Historic Room Excess Factors range from 1.22 to 2.85.



MgO Emplacement Process

- Process will ensure MgO is emplaced based on CPR content.
 - Excess Factor, as a function of CPR, calculated at the end of each shift.
 - Depending on disposed waste stream, emplacement scheme may vary.

MgO Emplacement Process

- Primary Emplacement Options to be Determined:
 - Placement will be consistent with previous MgO reduction PCR analyses.
 - Every other row
 - Every Row
- WTS Operations is developing an emplacement procedure.

DOE Plans

- Notify EPA of this change in WIPP's next Annual Change Report [4(b)(4)], to be issued in November 2012 (covering the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012).

