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The production of tailings and industrial effluents is linked to mining activity. Storage facilities are subject to specific provisions linked to the topographical, geological, and hydrogeological configuration of the site, the storage method, the environmental framework, and the geotechnical, chemical and radiological characteristics of the stored materials. The main potential risks associated with these storage facilities are pollution of the environment through diffuse discharge or breach of their containment barriers, which may lead to a threat to the safety of property and people in the vicinity, as well as the potential for major pollution with damages to flora and fauna.

Orano Mining is committed to managing its storage facilities, based on the Global Industry Standard on Tailings Management (GISTM), to ensure their safety and stability throughout their lifecycle. This policy applies to all Orano Mining sites with tailings storage facilities and industrial effluent storage ponds, whether at the planning stage, under construction, in operation, undergoing extension works or rehabilitated. The storage facilities addressed by the policy are facilities elevated above natural ground level, having a height of over 2.5 m and a storage capacity of over 30,000 m³, including their encircling and appurtenant structures. This policy does not take the place of national regulations.

Orano Mining will undertake to:

- Protect the health and safety of workers and the general public by ensuring the safe operation of its facilities and protect the environment by limiting the impact of these storage facilities.
- Respect the rights of project-affected people and meaningfully engage at all
 phases of the project lifecycle, including closure or in the event of any significant
 modification to the storage facility.
- Minimize as much as possible the radiological impact of these storage sites in accordance with the Orano group's radiation protection policy.
- Set up a governance and implement best practices and standards for the design, construction, operation, and remediation of storage facilities in the long term.
- Share with relevant stakeholders and publicly disclose up-to-date information on the design, and management of the storage facilities.
- Set up a grievance and notification mechanism at each site, accessible to all and in line with the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights.
- Prepare a response plan in the event of deterioration of the integrity of the storage by involving all stakeholders.

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