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Checking For Radioactivity *Around The Old Simonds Plant*

Dr. Peter Buckholtz pauses with his measurement and sampling equipments outside the former Simonds Saw & Steel Plant along Ohio Street in Lockport. The site is back in the news after *USA Today* began running a series of articles on radioactive contamination at industrial locations around the US. The Lockport plant got extensive mention. Dr. Buckholtz gathered up the necessary sampling equipment and will be taking measurements over a wide area around Simonds over the next several weeks to see if any of the "hot stuff" has gotten off site.



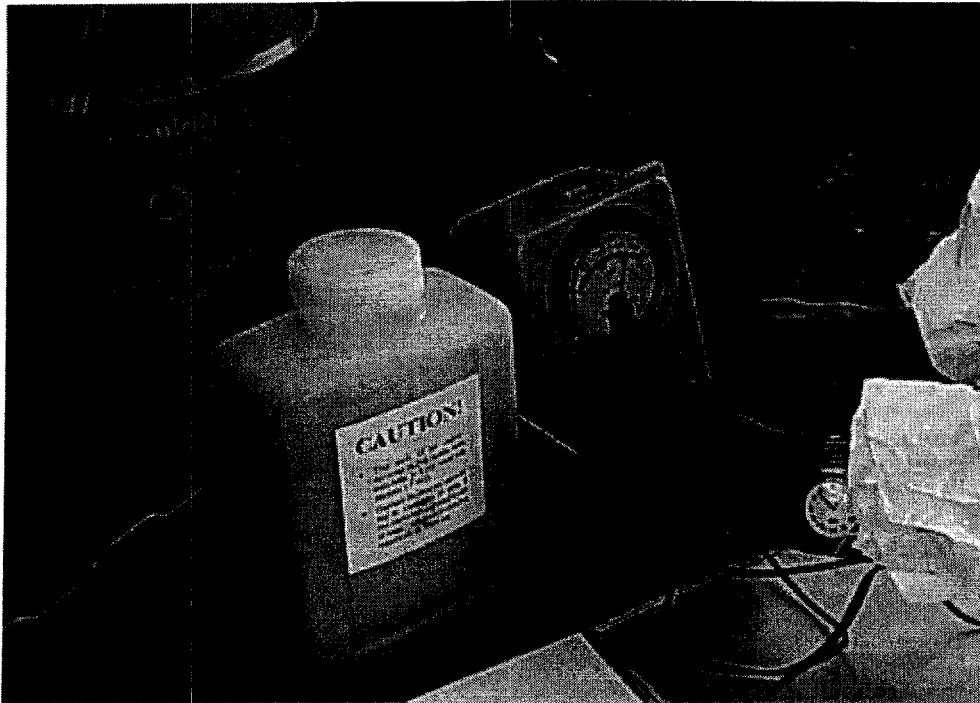
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The measurements just began Thursday, 9/7, when these first pictures were taken. The project is expected to take weeks. We'll be giving



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Among the test procedures being used are three (3) radiation counting instruments, and separate containers for soil samples taken in different areas. Dr. Buckholtz is suited up in protective clothing but has removed his gloves to record written comments in his log book.

Each sample is measured for radioactivity and then, for that material which shows high activity, a sample will be taken back to a lab for further identification and study.

Look for our first reports coming soon!

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