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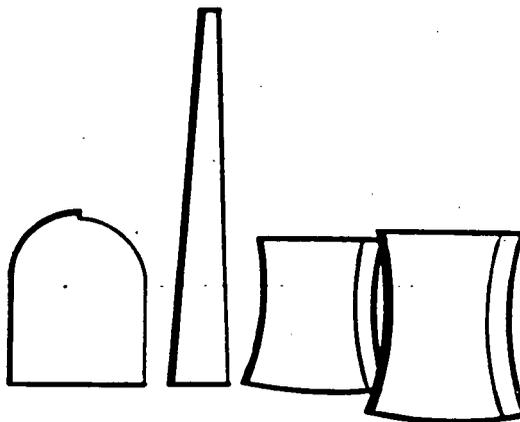
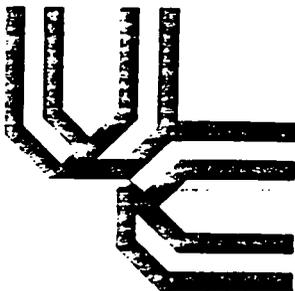
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SECTION 1 - Results

The samples of concrete fill materials (sand, gravel, cement and water) that were collected from each of six major concrete suppliers were analyzed for the natural radionuclides; uranium 238, thorium 232, radium 226 and potassium 40. Summary Table 1 shows the total natural radionuclide content in one cubic yard of a concrete mix called "4000 mix".

SUMMARY TABLE 1

NATURAL RADIONUCLIDE CONTENT IN ONE
CUBIC YARD OF 4000 MIX CONCRETE*

<u>CONCRETE SUPPLIER</u>	<u>RADIONUCLIDE</u>				<u>TOTAL ACTIVITY (pCi)</u>
	<u>Radium 236 (pCi)</u>	<u>Uranium 238 (pCi)</u>	<u>Thorium 232 (pCi)</u>	<u>Potassium 40 (pCi)</u>	
Miami Valley Ready Mix	1,049,700	993,582	311,924	7,423,400	9,778,606
Roth Concrete	1,053,140	1,374,382	348,738	8,348,456	10,176,886
Harrison Ready Mix	1,090,197	1,441,400	351,840	8,017,895	10,900,972
Hilltop Basic Resources	693,068	1,023,084	413,838	9,051,918	11,181,908
Ernst Enterprises	710,650	1,391,036	354,889	8,769,536	11,226,111
Plainville Concrete	800,025	2,176,965	316,297	8,204,430	11,497,717

*total content of each natural radionuclide in one cubic yard of concrete containing: 1320 pounds of sand, 1860 pounds of gravel, 564 pounds of cement, 35 gallons of water.

The data in Summary Table 1 was calculated from the actual measured data shown in Tables 4-7 in this summary section and the weight or volume of these materials in one cubic yard of concrete. Tables 4-7 contain the summary data for the natural radionuclide measurements in sand, cement, gravel and water, used to form the concrete.

1.1 Analysis of Gamma-ray Spectra

Samples of cement, sand and gravel were prepared by techniques described in detail in Section 4 of this report. Gamma rays from these samples were subsequently measured by a high-resolution and high-efficiency intrinsic-Germanium detector. Details of the measurement system are also presented in Section 4. Analysis was required for potassium 40 (^{40}K), radium 226 (^{226}Ra), thorium 232 (^{232}Th) and uranium 238 (^{238}U).

Due to the low activity levels of ^{40}K , ^{226}Ra , ^{232}Th and ^{238}U existing in these samples, an 8 hour counting period was utilized to achieve the sensitivities required. The spectral lines of each sample were evaluated, specific photopeaks being chosen for the analysis of each of the naturally-occurring radionuclides. (1)(2) Whenever possible, several photopeaks were utilized for analysis.

The 1460.2 KeV photon is the only gamma ray emitted by ^{40}K . Fortunately, this photopeak has few interferences. The assignment of this photopeak is thus straightforward. There is some activity from ^{40}K in the background measurement which must be corrected for and, in addition, it is necessary to correct for Compton distribution interferences from a number of higher energy photons in both the radium and thorium decay chains.

Three peaks were chosen for analysis of ^{232}Th : 582.7 KeV 910.6 KeV and 968.4 KeV. The 582.7 KeV peak arises in the decay of ^{208}Tl , whereas the other two peaks occur in the decay of ^{228}Ac , the second daughter of ^{232}Th . These peaks were chosen since they were reasonably free of interferences from other nuclides of comparable energy among the naturally occurring radionuclides.

Measurement of ^{238}U by gamma ray spectroscopy is difficult due to the few spectral lines of sufficient intensity which exist in direct ^{238}U decay or from the upper chain members above ^{226}Ra . The two lines selected were the

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63.3 KeV line from ^{234}Th decay and the 1001.04 KeV line from ^{234}Pa decay. The quantum yield of the 63.3 KeV line is higher than the 1001.04 KeV line but is found in a spectral region where many potential interferences exist from low energy photons and X rays. There is also a substantial Compton scattering distribution from higher energy photons. Usually the 63.3 KeV photon is the line which is detected above background and Compton interferences.

In the analysis of ^{226}Ra a number of spectral lines were possible candidates. The lines which were chosen were the 185.8 KeV line from ^{226}Ra , the 294.9 KeV and 351.6 KeV lines from ^{214}Pb and the 608.9 KeV line from ^{214}Bi . All of these photons have rather high yields and are reasonably free of interferences from photons of comparable energy among the naturally occurring radionuclides.

All of the above mentioned gamma-ray lines were analyzed in each sample. The average of the results from all the lines used for each radionuclide was the value reported for that sample. A detailed compilation of the results for all the samples is given in Appendix I. It will be noted that the results from each spectral line are compiled. Overall the activity values (pCi/gram) obtained were in good agreement for the grouping of lines utilized for each radionuclide.

1.2 Summary of Results

The results of analyses of two samples of sand, gravel and cement from each supplier are shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3. In these tables no attempt has been made to categorize the results by concentration. This is done in Tables 4, 5 and 6 where the average values are reported ranked in order of decreasing concentration. Results of the analysis for each sample are discussed below.

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Cement samples

Table 1 summarizes results of the analyses for the cement samples. The agreement between the analyses of the two samples is excellent for ^{226}Ra , ^{232}Th and ^{40}K . The agreement between the values for ^{238}U is not as good since the limits of error of most ^{238}U analyses were higher than for the other nuclides due to significant spectral interferences.

The lowest ^{226}Ra Concentration was found in the cement samples from Ernst Enterprises and Hilltop Basic Resources Concrete. (approximately 0.59 pCi/gm). Samples from the other four suppliers had concentrations of 1 to 2 pCi/gm. Table 4 summarizes these results for each radionuclide in order of decreasing concentration.

The range of activity of ^{232}Th in cement samples was not as large as ^{226}Ra . The cement sample from Plainville Concrete showed the least ^{232}Th concentration and the sample from Ernst Enterprises the highest. The specific activity of ^{238}U ranged from approximately 60% of the ^{226}Ra activity in the Miami Valley Concrete cement to slightly greater than the ^{226}Ra activity in other samples.

Tables 1 and 4 show that the activity levels of ^{40}K in cement samples varied by roughly a factor of two from approximately 4 pCi/gm to about 7.5 pCi/gm.

Based upon the total specific activity from ^{226}Ra , ^{238}U , ^{232}Th and ^{40}K the cement samples with the highest activity were from Ernst Enterprises whereas those with the lowest activity were from Miami Valley Ready Mixed Concrete. A large part of the total specific activity is due to ^{40}K .

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Gravel samples

Table 2 summarizes results of the analyses for the gravel samples. The agreement between the analyses of the two samples is good for ^{226}Ra , ^{232}Th and ^{40}K , while not as favorable for ^{238}U for reasons previously discussed.

The differences in the values of specific activity for ^{226}Ra were minor in the samples of gravel as borne out by the results shown in Tables 2 and 5. The percent difference in the specific activities of ^{232}Th in gravel samples is greater than for ^{226}Ra . Again the range of specific activities of ^{40}K varies by a factor of two.

The measured specific activities for ^{238}U in gravel samples varied from values comparable to the ^{236}Ra activity to roughly a factor of two higher than ^{226}Ra .

Table 5 shows the total specific activities from ^{40}K , ^{216}Ra , ^{232}Th and ^{238}U for the gravel samples, the results are as shown in Table 5. Hilltop Concrete has the highest total specific activity and Miami Valley Concrete the lowest. Again however, it should be noted that a major part of the activity is due to ^{40}K .

Sand samples

Results of analyses of the sand samples from the six suppliers are summarized in Tables 3 and 6. Again, the agreement between the analyses of the two samples for ^{226}Ra , ^{232}Th and ^{40}K is good, whereas it is not as favorable for ^{238}U .

The ^{226}Ra specific activity shows very little variation between samples (roughly 0.36 to 0.47 pCi/gm). A comparable range of values on a percent basis also was found from ^{232}Th and ^{40}K . The range of specific activity values for ^{40}K was far more uniform in the samples of sand than was the case

for the other two media.

Specific activities for ^{238}U ranged from values comparable to the specific activity of ^{226}Ra to approximately four times the activity of ^{226}Ra .

Table 6 shows a comparison of the total activities from ^{40}K , ^{226}Ra , ^{232}Th and ^{238}U arranged in order of decreasing concentration. Due to the uniformity of analyses of each of the nuclides for the sand samples, there is far greater uniformity for total activity for this medium than for gravel and cement samples. Thus the rank of suppliers is not dominated as significantly by the ^{40}K content for sand samples as for the other two media.

Water samples

The uranium 238 content in the water samples was measured in the WMCO laboratories at the Feed Materials Production Center. These results are shown in Table 7. The uranium content in the water is low. Water is a minor constituent of the finished concrete product. The calculations show that unless the water was extremely contaminated, the radionuclide content of the water will have no effect on the concentration of radionuclides in the final concrete product.

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Table 1

Natural Radionuclides in Cement Samples

	^{226}Ra pCi/gm	^{238}U pCi/gm	^{232}Th pCi/gm	^{40}K pCi/gm
Ernst	0.582	0.680	0.458	7.75
	0.576	0.394	0.542	7.42
Harrison	1.910	2.060	0.397	5.20
	1.830	2.050	0.351	2.83
Hilltop	0.588	0.079	0.511	7.00
	0.583	0.427	0.476	6.86
Miami Valley	1.920	0.304	0.386	5.06
	1.890	1.170	0.385	3.66
Plainville	1.010	1.550	0.379	6.46
	0.974	0.870	0.280	5.31
Roth	1.910	1.810	0.425	4.45
	1.900	1.180	0.398	4.08

Table 2

Natural Radionuclides in Gravel Samples

	^{226}Ra pCi/gm	^{238}U pCi/gm	^{232}Th pCi/gm	^{40}K pCi/gm
Ernst	0.339	0.645	0.129	3.90
	0.341	0.833	0.117	3.51
Harrison	0.394	0.140	0.163	3.70
	0.442	0.798	0.169	2.83
Hilltop	0.330	0.553	0.141	3.07
	0.425	---	0.250	5.37
Miami Valley	0.349	0.462	0.119	2.37
	0.401	0.317	0.100	2.36
Plainville	0.373	0.768	0.173	2.62
	0.327	0.560	0.114	3.19
Roth	0.414	0.439	0.152	3.86
	0.306	0.563	0.125	3.43

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Table 3

Natural Radionuclides in Sand Samples

	^{226}Ra pCi/g	^{238}U pCi/g	^{232}Th pCi/g	^{42}K pCi/g
Ernst	0.464	0.214	0.177	6.12
	0.464	0.985	0.239	6.26
Harrison	0.428	0.394	0.208	6.97
	0.425	0.402	0.177	7.19
Hilltop	0.365	0.753	0.217	6.28
	0.367	---	0.192	6.14
Miami Valley	0.410	0.920	0.190	7.07
	0.438	0.303	0.214	7.35
Plainville	0.410	1.910	0.211	7.12
	0.437	0.813	0.174	7.06
Roth	0.476	1.010	0.172	6.73
	0.462	0.892	0.249	7.22

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Table 4

Summary of Analysis of Cement Samples

^{226}Ra [pCi/g]	^{238}U [pCi/g]	^{232}Th [pCi/g]	^{40}K [pCi/g]	Total [pCi/g]
1.90 (4)	2.06 (2)	0.50 (1)	7.59 (1)	9.35 (1)
1.90 (6)	1.50 (6)	0.49 (3)	6.93 (3)	8.44 (3)
1.87 (2)	1.21 (5)	0.41 (6)	5.88 (5)	8.41 (5)
0.99 (5)	1.17 (4)	0.39 (4)	4.36 (4)	8.32 (2)
0.59 (3)	0.68 (1)	0.37 (2)	4.26 (6)	8.07 (6)
0.58 (1)	0.43 (3)	0.33 (5)	4.02 (2)	7.82 (4)

Listed in order of decreasing concentration with numbers in parentheses referring to suppliers.

- (1) - Ernst Enterprises
- (2) - Harrison Ready Mix Concrete
- (3) - Hilltop Basic Resources
- (4) - Miami Valley Ready Mixed
- (5) - Plainville Concrete
- (6) - Roth Concrete

* Average Value

** Average Value or best value based on sample standard deviation

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Table 5

Summary of Analysis of Gravel Samples

^{226}Ra [pCi/g]	^{238}U [pCi/g]	^{232}Th [pCi/g]	^{40}K [pCi/g]	Total [pCi/g]
0.42 (2)	0.80 (2)	0.20 (3)	4.22 (3)	5.35 (3)
0.38 (3)	0.77 (5)	0.17 (2)	3.70 (1)	4.90 (1)
0.37 (4)	0.74 (1)	0.14 (5)	3.65 (6)	4.65 (6)
0.36 (6)	0.55 (3)	0.14 (6)	3.26 (2)	4.64 (2)
0.35 (5)	0.50 (6)	0.12 (1)	2.91 (5)	4.17 (5)
0.34 (1)	0.39 (4)	0.11 (4)	2.36 (4)	3.23 (4)

Listed in order of decreasing concentration with numbers in parentheses referring to suppliers.

- (1) - Ernst Enterprises
- (2) - Harrison Ready Mix Concrete
- (3) - Hilltop Basic Resources
- (4) - Miami Valley Ready Mixed
- (5) - Plainville Concrete
- (6) - Roth Concrete

• Average Value

** Average Value or best value based on sample standard deviation

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Table 6

Summary of Analysis of Sand Samples

²²⁶ Ra*	²³⁸ U**	²³² Th*	⁴⁰ K*	Total
[pci/g]	[pci/g]	[pci/g]	[pci/g]	[pci/g]
0.47 (6)	1.91 (5)	0.21 (6)	7.21 (4)	9.62 (5)
0.46 (1)	0.99 (1)	0.21 (1)	7.09 (5)	8.61 (6)
0.43 (1)	0.95 (6)	0.20 (3)	7.08 (2)	8.45 (4)
0.42 (4)	0.75 (3)	0.20 (4)	6.98 (6)	8.10 (2)
0.42 (5)	0.61 (4)	0.19 (5)	6.21 (3)	7.85 (1)
0.37 (3)	0.40 (2)	0.19 (2)	6.19 (1)	7.53 (3)

Listed in order of decreasing concentration with numbers in parentheses referring to suppliers.

- (1) - Ernst Enterprises
- (2) - Harrison Ready Mix Concrete
- (3) - Hilltop Basic Resources
- (4) - Miami Valley Ready Mixed
- (5) - Plainville Concrete
- (6) - Roth Concrete

* Average Value

** Average Value or best value based on sample standard deviation

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Table 7

Uranium Content in Water Samples*

Concrete Supplier	Uranium 238 pCi/l
Harrison Ready Mix	0.12 ± 0.02
Ernst Enterprises, Inc.	0.02 ± 0.02
Plainville Concrete	0.18 ± 0.02
Roth Ready Mix Concrete	0.44 ± 0.06
Miami Valley Ready Mixed	0.04 ± 0.02
Hilltop Concrete	0.04 ± 0.02

*measured by WMCO at the Fernald Feed Materials Production Center

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SECTION 2 - Information determined during vendor selection and evaluation

The selection process that led to the identification of six prospective concrete suppliers is described in Section 5 of this report. In summary, the vendors were selected on the basis of dependability, size of the firm, quality of the product, reliability and experience. A University of Cincinnati Civil Engineering faculty member (Dr. Boyd Ringo), who is an expert in concrete, was consulted during the initial phase of this work.

In order to determine sources of the component materials for concrete, we interviewed each of the major concrete suppliers that were identified as prospective vendors. It was expected that there might be a few limited suppliers in the Cincinnati area of the constituent materials; sand, gravel and cement. For example, if there were only two or three major suppliers of sand in the area, then we planned to go directly to these suppliers for the sand.

Based on discussions with each major supplier, it was determined that there are no common suppliers of cement, sand or gravel in the Cincinnati area. The cement is obtained from various suppliers around the country. The gravel is obtained from local suppliers or from the concrete supplier's own facility (property). The sand is also obtained from a variety of local sources or the concrete supplier's own property.

It was expected that the water used to make the concrete would be municipal water that had been filtered and treated. This is not the way water is obtained. All the concrete vendors obtain water from an on-site well. Some of the water looked discolored, but the WMCO radiological analysis showed the water to be low in content of radionuclides. Also, water is not a major constituent in concrete.

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In summary, the information gained during the initial task, which was to determine sites around the area from which concrete fill materials are obtained, was that there are no common sources of cement, sand, gravel or water. Each concrete supplier (vendor) uses different sources of cement. Sand and gravel are obtained from the vendor's own property or a local source. Water is obtained from the concrete supplier's own property. It is not municipal water.

The major suppliers selected for the natural radionuclide measurements in concrete materials are listed below:

- (1) Harrison Ready Mix Concrete
174 and Dry Fork Road
Harrison, OH
367-0234
- (2) Ernst Enterprises, Inc.
10093 Princeton-Glendale Road
Fairfield, OH
874-8300
- (3) Plainville Concrete
P.O. Box 44160
Cincinnati, OH 45244
724-7000
- (4) Roth Ready Mix Concrete Co.
900 Kieley Place
Cincinnati, OH
242-8400
- (5) Miami Valley Ready Mixed Concrete
7466 New Haven Road
Fernald, OH
739-2616
- (6) Hilltop Concrete
511 West Water Street
Cincinnati, OH
621-1500

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SECTION 3 - Quality assurance

This section will provide a description of procedures used both to efficiency calibrate the Intrinsic Germanium Detector and to energy calibrate and assess slight gain shifts in the gamma spectrometer system throughout the period when samples were being routinely measured for radionuclide content.

3.1 Efficiency Calibration of Gamma-Ray Spectrometer

The efficiency of the gamma-ray spectrometer for ^{40}K , ^{226}Ra , ^{232}Th and ^{238}U was determined by utilizing standards containing known concentrations of these radionuclides and prepared geometrically in an identical fashion to samples of sand, gravel and cement.

Foremost of these standards was the National Bureau of Standards, Standard Reference Material 4353 - Rocky Flats Soil Number 1. As may be seen from Table 3.1, this standard contains known concentrations of ^{238}U , ^{232}Th , ^{226}Ra and ^{40}K in addition to a number of other radionuclides. Approximately 190 grams of this material was obtained from National Bureau of Standards (NBS).

As recommended by NBS, the material was prepared for use by air drying at 40°C for at least 24 hours. This was done in the same type sample container as employed for all building materials samples. Following final weighing of the sample, the lid was sealed to initiate the ingrowth of ^{222}Rn in the ^{226}Ra . No definitive measurements of this standard were made until after a minimal 21 day ingrowth period.

To provide additional efficiency calibration data for ^{238}U , two other standards were obtained on loan from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Radiation Programs, Las Vegas Laboratory. These standards, designated EPA-3DP and EPA-F, contain the concentration of ^{238}U , ^{232}Th and

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²²⁶Ra shown in Table 3.1.(3) It will be noted that the radionuclide concentrations of the EPA Standards is substantially higher than for NBS Standard Reference Material 4353. This was of particular value for the ²³⁸U calibration since it permitted a more favorable peak to background ratio to be obtained for the ²³⁸U calibration. Both EPA standards had been prepared by EPA utilizing the same container as used for materials in this investigation. Agreement between the NBS and EPA standards was very good.

Measurements of these standards were carried out prior to the initiation of measurements on building-materials samples and several times throughout the period during which these samples were being counted. The replicate measurements made were found to be in good agreement and served both as a check of data quality throughout this time period and as a basis for calibration of the gamma spectrometer for each of the radionuclides analyzed in this investigation.

3.2 Energy Calibration of Gamma Ray Spectrometer

Although many of the gamma-ray photopeaks from the known constituents in the NBS and EPA Standards identified above in Part 3.1 serve as energy reference lines, it was more convenient to utilize a higher activity multicomponent source for energy calibration. The source selected for this purpose was obtained from Isotope Products Laboratories, Burbank, California. It contains NBS traceable quantities of the nine radionuclides shown in Table 3.2.

The gamma-ray energy standard was measured two or three times per week during the period of measurement of the samples analyzed in this study. Slight gain adjustments were sometimes necessary at those times. The adjustment necessary was seldom greater than 2 or 3 channels at 8192 channels.

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TABLE 3.1

Radionuclides Content of Standards Used for
Efficiency Calibration of Germanium Detector

Table 3.1(A)

National Bureau of Standards, Standard Reference
Material 4353 - Rocky Flats Soil Number 1

<u>Radionuclide</u>	<u>Activity Concentration pCi/g</u>	<u>Total* Uncertainty (percent)</u>
⁴⁰ K	1.95	9.6
⁹⁰ Sr	0.206	10.2
¹³⁷ Cs	0.476	4.5
²²⁶ Ra	1.16	6.6
²²⁸ Ac	1.89	5.1
²²⁸ Th	1.91	5.1
²³⁰ Th	1.20	5.1
²³² Th	1.89	5.1
²³⁴ U	1.06	3.6
²³⁸ U	1.05	5.1
²³⁸ Pu	0.0045	11.0
²³⁹ Pu + ²⁴⁰ Pu	0.217	7.5
²⁴¹ Am	0.0338	7.3

*The random and systematic uncertainties have been combined in quadrature at a level corresponding to a standard deviation of the mean. The stated overall uncertainties are three times this value.

Table 3.1(B)

Standards from Environmental Protection Agency -
Office of Radiation Programs - Las Vegas, Nevada

<u>Radionuclide</u>	<u>Activity Concentration pCi/g</u>	<u>Standard Deviation (percent)</u>
<u>Standard EPA - 3DP</u>		
²²⁶ Ra	234	5
²³⁸ U	234	5
<u>Standard EPA - F</u>		
²²⁶ Ra	26.7	5
²³² Th	14.5	5
²³⁸ U	26.7	5

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TABLE 3.2

Radionuclide Content of Energy Calibration Standard

<u>Radionuclide</u>	<u>Principal Gamma-rays(s) (MeV)</u>	<u>Activity (uCi)</u>	<u>Date</u>
109Cd	0.088	0.521	March 15, 1987
57Co	0.122, 0.1365	0.0158	"
139Ce	0.1659	0.0198	"
203Hg	0.279	0.0610	"
113Sn	0.392	0.0725	"
137Cs	0.662	0.0690	"
60Co	1.173, 1.332	0.0814	"
88Y	0.848, 1.836	0.173	"
85Sr	0.514	0.0962	"

Some typical gamma spectra for the standard samples are shown in Figures 3.1 through 3.3.

3.3 Propagation of error due to Statistics

Since most of the isotopes under investigation in the building materials also exist in the background, a method to correct for this and for determining the statistical error has to be established. Let the area under the entire photopeak be S_g (counts) and the net area in the peak be S_n . A second subscript "s" or "b" can be added to indicate whether the peak is obtained from counting a sample or the background (S_{gs} and S_{ns} , or S_{gb} and S_{nb}). These areas are shown in Fig. 3.4.

If we assume the standard deviation of counting time is approximately equal to zero, the count rate due to the source only can be calculated by:

$$\dot{x} = \dot{S}_{ns} - \dot{S}_{nb} = \frac{S_{ns}}{t_1} - \frac{S_{nb}}{t_2} \quad \text{eq. 3.1}$$

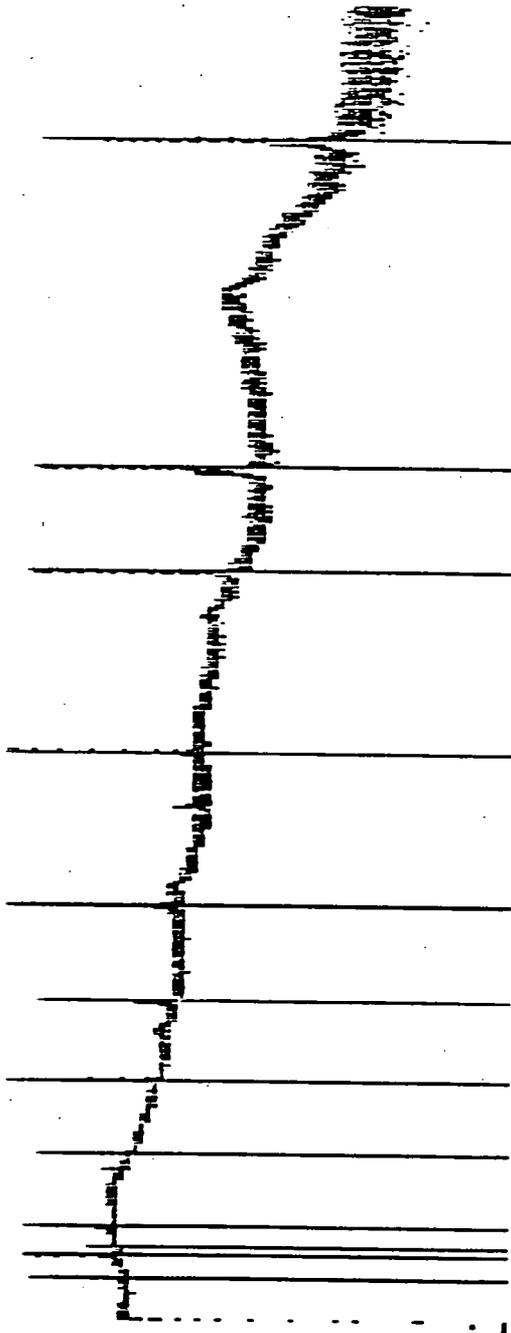
where: t_1 and t_2 are counting time for the source and background

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MAY 16 1987 09:09:51 PM MODES: PHA SUB % DEAD TIME: 00
 GROUP: F US: LOG CTS GAIN: 8192 CHLS OFFSET: 0000 CHLS ID: CAL3

FUNCTION KEY	
F1	F2
MORE	IDENT
F3	F4
STORE	LOAD
F5	F6
PRINT	USER
F7	F8
CTRD	FWHM
F9	F10
DOS	MAIN

FIGURE 3.1 a,b,c
 GAMMA SPECTRA FOR THE NBS STANDARD WITH
 1) REGION OF INTEREST
 2) PEAKS IDENTIFIED



ENERGY: 1836.06 KEV COUNTS: 00012402* ROI #1: OFF ROI #2: ON
 PK #: 12 CTRD: 1836.06 KEV FWHM: 0.00000 KEV GROSS: 000012402 NET: 000001269
 TIME LIVE PRESET: 028800 ELAPSED: 003600 REMAINING: 028800 SECONDS

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 GROUP: F US: LOG CTS GAIN: 8192 CHLS OFFSET: 0000 CHLS ID: CAL3

FUNCTION KEY

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F3	STORE	F4	LOAD
F5	USER	F6	USER
F7	CTRD	F8	FWHM
F9	DOS	F10	MAIN

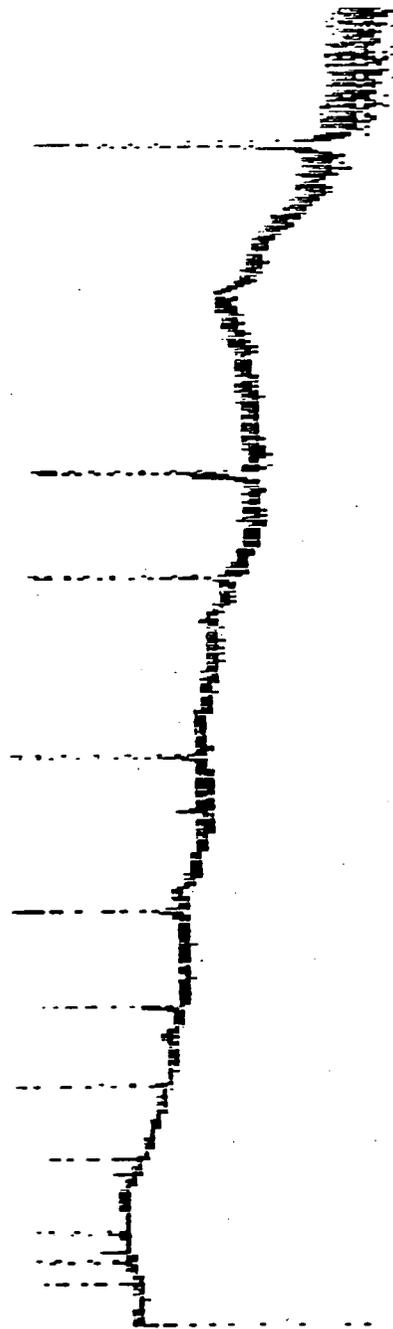


FIGURE 3.1(b)

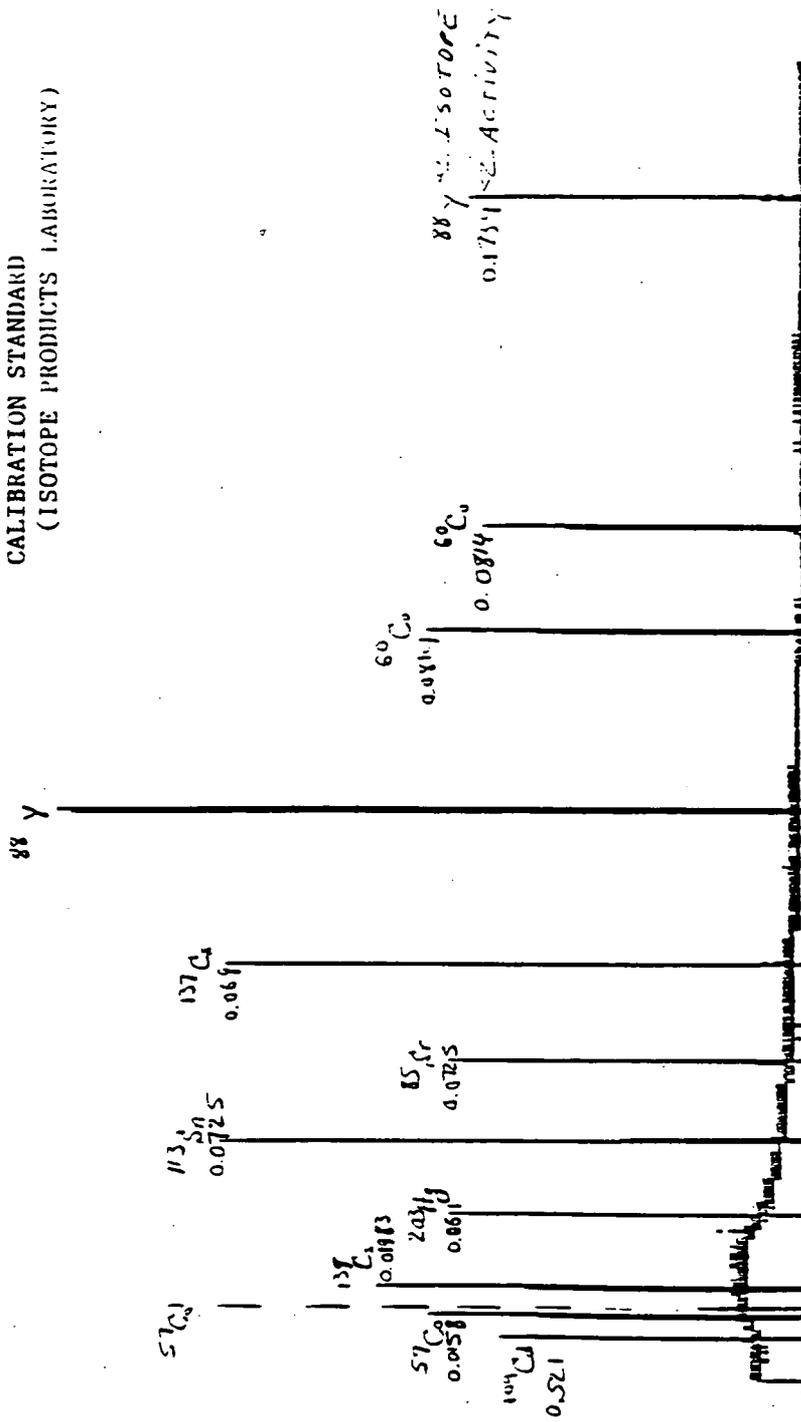
ENERGY: 186.732 KEV COUNTS: 00002588 ROI #1: OFF ROI #2: OFF
 PK #: 00 CTRD: 0.00000 KEV FWHM: 0.00000 KEV GROSS: 000000000 NET: 000000000
 TIME LIVE PRESET: 028800 ELAPSED: 003600 REMAINING: 028800 SECONDS

MAY 02 1987 04:02:21 PM MODES: PHA ADD % DEAD TIME: 05
 GROUP: F US: 8K CTS GAIN: 8192 CHLS OFFSET: 0000 CHLS ID: CAL.1

FUNCTION KEY

F1	MORE	F2	IDENT
F3	STORE	F4	LOAD
F5	USER	F6	USER
F7	CTRL	F8	PHYS
F9	DIS	F10	MATH

FIGURE 3.1 (c)
 GAMMA RAY SPECTRUM OF ENERGY
 CALIBRATION STANDARD
 (ISOTOPE PRODUCTS LABORATORY)



ENERGY: 1836.01 KEV COUNTS: 00003259% ROI #1: ON ROI #2: OFF
 PK #: 12 CTRD: 0.00000 KEV FWHM: 0.00000 KEV GROSS: 000020392 NET: 000007841
 TIME LIVE PRESET: 028800 ELAPSED: 000900 REMAINING: 027900 SECONDS

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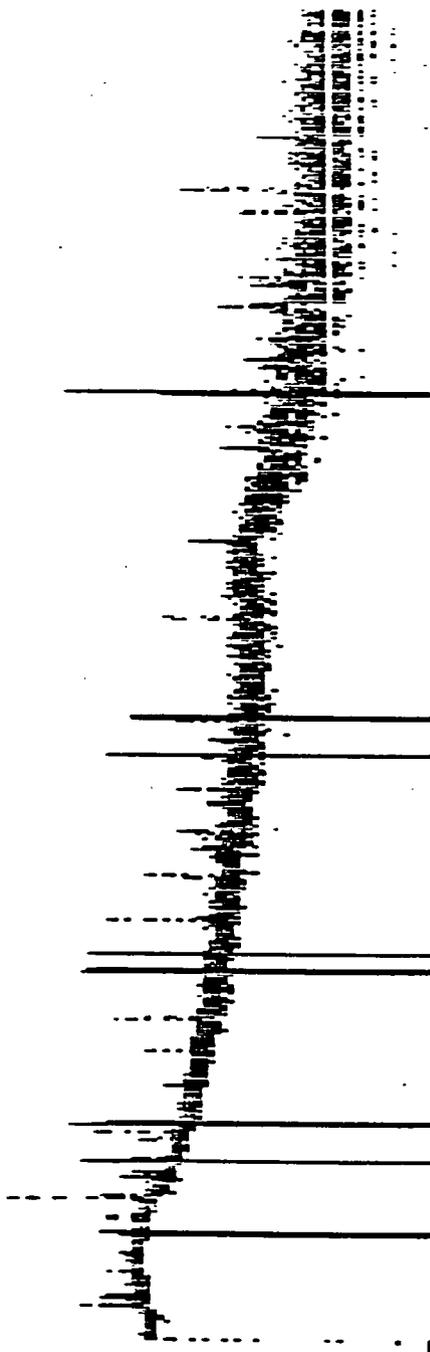
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FUNCTION KEY

F1	MORE	F2	IDENT
F3	STORE	F4	LOAD
F5	ONLINE	F6	USER
F7	CTRL	F8	FWHM
F9	DOS	F10	MAIN

FIGURE 3.2
 GAMMA RAY SPECTRUM OF NBS STANDARD
 REFERENCE MATERIAL 4353
 (USED FOR EFFICIENCY DETERMINATION)



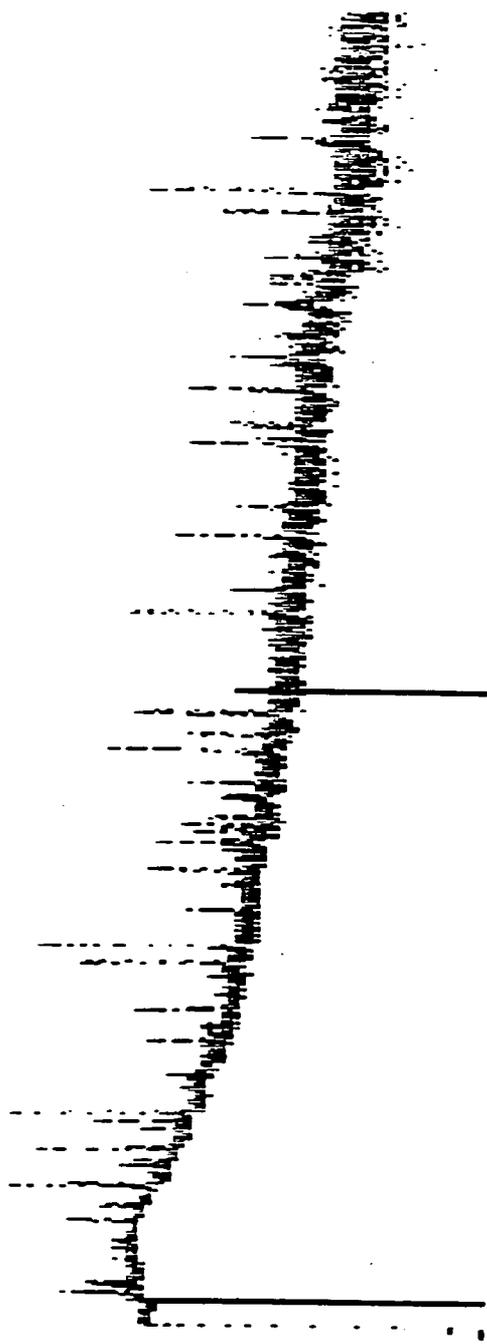
ENERGY: 1460.63 KEV COUNTS: 00001396X ROI #1: ON ROI #2: OFF
 PK #: 08 CTRD: 0.00000 KEV FWHM: 0.00000 KEV GROSS: 000013050 NET: 000011758
 TIME LIVE PRESET: 028800 ELAPSED: 086400 REMAINING: 028800 SECONDS

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MAY 25 1987 11:30:50 PM MODES: PPA ADD 2 DEAD TIME: 00
 GROUP: F US: LOG CTS GAIN: 8192 CHLS OFFSET: 0000 CHLS ID: F193 2

F1	MORE	F2	IDENT
F3	STORE	F4	LOAD
F5	PRINT	F6	USER
F7	CTRD	F8	FWHM
F9	DOGS	F10	MAIN

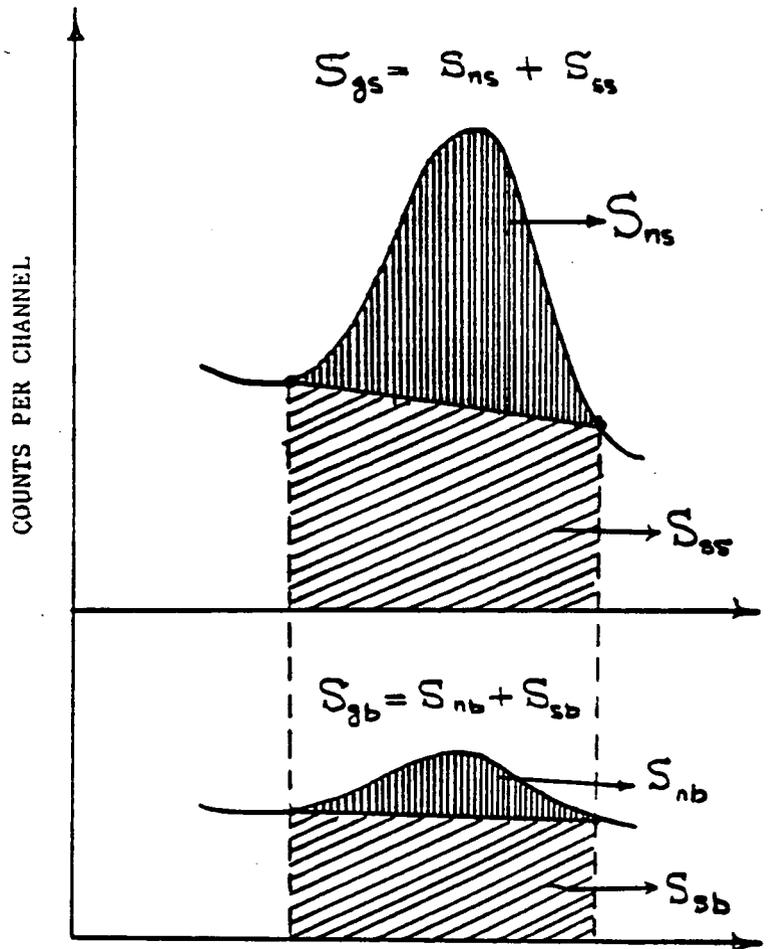
FIGURE 3.3
 GAMMA RAY SPECTRUM OF EPA STANDARD EPA F
 (USED FOR URANIUM 238 EFFICIENCY
 DETERMINATION)



ENERGY: 63.0384 KEV COUNTS: 00001116% ROI #1: OFF ROI #2: ON
 PK #: 01 CTRD: 63.1842 KEV FWHM: 0.56576 KEV GROSS: 000009188 NET: 000000881
 TIME LIVE PRESET: 028800 ELAPSED: 028800 REMAINING: 028800 SECONDS

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Source Plus
Background



Background
(Only)

$$S_{ss} \triangleq S_{gs} - S_{ns}$$

$$S_{sb} \triangleq S_{gb} - S_{nb}$$

FIGURE 3.4 NET AND GROSS COUNTS FOR BACKGROUND
AND SAMPLE PLUS BACKGROUND

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respectively. The standard deviation of the net count rate can be calculated from

$$\sigma_x = (\sigma_{\dot{S}_{ns}}^2 + \sigma_{\dot{S}_{nb}}^2)^{1/2} \quad \text{eq. 3.2}$$

The Standard Deviation of the net count rate of the source plus background ($\sigma_{\dot{S}_{ns}}$) can be calculated by obtaining the net counts under the peak. In finding the net area's (S_{ng} and S_{nb}) most software routines first obtain the number of counts for the entire peak area, then the area in the lower portion of the peak (includes the background and compton continuum), and finally subtract these two numbers. The summation of the counts for the entire peak and the summation of the counts below the peak both follow Poisson statistics, the net count is $S_{ns} = S_{gs} - (S_{gs} - S_{ns})$

Defining $S_{gs} - S_{ns} = S_{ss}$, the standard deviation of the net count rate due the source plus background is

$$\sigma_{\dot{S}_{ns}} = (\sigma_{\dot{S}_{gs}}^2 + \sigma_{\dot{S}_{ss}}^2)^{1/2} \quad \text{eq. 3.3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\dot{S}_{gs}}{K_s t_s} + \frac{\dot{S}_{gs} - \dot{S}_{ns}}{K_s t_s} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{2\dot{S}_{gs} - \dot{S}_{ns}}{K_s t_s} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\sigma_{\dot{S}_{ns}} = \left(\frac{2S_{gs} - S_{ns}}{K_s t_s^2} \right)^{1/2} \quad \text{eq. 3.4}$$

where K_s = number of measurements and t_s is the counting time for the source plus background.

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The standard deviation of the "best value" of the net background count rate is defined as

$$\sigma_{\dot{S}_{nb}} = \Delta\sigma_{\langle b \rangle},$$

based on the weighting technique (shown in section 3.6).

Since the source counts even in the peak (upper peak area) contain some counts due to the background one must correct for this by subtracting the net contribution of that peak in the background from the net peak area of source containing background. See Section 3.4 for a detailed description.

Therefore, the net count rate due to the net sample is

$$\dot{X} = \dot{S}_{ns} - \dot{S}_{nb}. \quad \text{eq. 3.5}$$

This is identical to subtracting the background from the spectrum and then finding the net counts in the photopeak as shown in section 3.4. This is necessary to reduce the counting time. The standard deviation of the net sample count rate is then

$$\sigma_{\dot{X}} = (\sigma_{\dot{S}_{ns}}^2 + \sigma_{\dot{S}_{nb}}^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\sigma_{\dot{X}} = \left(\frac{2S_{gs} - S_{ns}}{t_s^2} + \sigma_{\langle b \rangle}^2 \right)^{1/2} \quad \text{eq. 3.6}$$

In calculating the standard deviation of the net count rate, if a standard with known activity is used, one must use the "best value" for the net source count rate based on the weighting technique. Use $\sigma_{\langle S \rangle}$ in place of $\sigma_{\dot{S}_{ns}}^2$. For the case where the errors in counting the standard are

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approximately equal, one must use the usual averaging technique. For example, for the EPA standard, two counts of 8 hours each were made. Thus

$$\sigma_{Sns}^2 = \frac{\bar{S}_{gs} - \bar{S}_{ns}}{(2)(480 \text{ min})} \quad \text{eq. 3.7}$$

where \bar{S}_{gs} and \bar{S}_{ns} are the average gross and net count rate from the two measurements.

In calculating the activity, one must find a calibration factor for each peak as:

$$C \pm \sigma_c \text{ (pCi/gm per cpm/gm)} \quad \text{eq. 3.8}$$

where σ_c represents the standard deviation of the calibration factor, C, used to convert the count rate to activity (pci).

Assuming the error in measuring the weight of the sample and the time are to be negligible the calibration factors can be calculated as:

$$C \pm \sigma_c = \frac{A + \sigma_A}{\bar{X}' \pm \sigma_{\bar{X}'}} \quad \text{eq. 3.9}$$

where: A is the known activity of the NBS standard or EPA standard per gram and \bar{X}' is the best value of the count rate per gram shown below

$$\bar{X}' \pm \sigma_{\bar{X}'} = \frac{\bar{X} \pm \sigma_{\bar{X}}}{\text{Sample weight (gm)}} \quad \text{eq. 3.10}$$

The standard deviation of the calibration factor, σ_c , can be found from

$$\sigma_c = \frac{A}{\dot{X}} \left(\left(\frac{\sigma_A}{A} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{\dot{X}}}{\dot{X}} \right)^2 \right)^{1/2} \quad \text{eq. 3.11}$$

and the percent error for the calibration factor is

$$\frac{\sigma_c}{C} = 100 \left(\left(\frac{\sigma_A}{A} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{\dot{X}}}{\dot{X}} \right)^2 \right)^{1/2} \quad \text{eq. 3.12}$$

The standard error of the activity is given in Table 3.3.

TABLE 3.3
Standard Errors of NBS and EPA Standards

Isotope	$3\sigma A/A(\%)$	$\sigma/A(\%)$
NBS K - 40	9.6	3.2
NBS P _a - 226	6.6	2.2
NBS Th - 232	5.1	1.7
EPA U - 238	-	5

The activity of the unknown sample is defined as $B \pm \sigma_B$, and can be calculated from:

$$B \pm \sigma_B = (C \pm \sigma_C) (\dot{Y}' \pm \sigma_{\dot{Y}'}) \quad \text{eq. 3.13}$$

where: C is the calibration factor (pCi/gm per cpm/gm)

and \dot{Y}' is the best value of the net count rate (cpm) of a photopeak for a sample.

Therefore the activity can be calculated from

$$B \pm \sigma_B = C \dot{Y}' \pm \sigma_B \quad \text{eq. 3.14}$$

and the Standard Deviation is

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$$\sigma_B = C\dot{Y}' \left(\left(\frac{\sigma_C}{C} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{\dot{Y}'}}{\dot{Y}'} \right)^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \text{eq. 3.15}$$

where $C\dot{Y}' = \text{Activity in pci/gm.}$

$$\sigma_B = B \left(\left(\frac{\sigma_A}{A} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{\dot{X}'}}{\dot{X}'} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{\dot{Y}'}}{\dot{Y}'} \right)^2 \right)^{1/2} \quad \text{eq. 3.16}$$

where $\frac{A}{A}$, is given in Table 3.3

The standard deviation of the unknown sample count rate per gram can be calculated from

$$\dot{Y}' \pm \sigma_{\dot{Y}'} = \frac{Y' \pm \sigma_{Y'}}{\text{weight of the sample}} \quad \text{eq. 3.17}$$

and the percent propagated error (standard error) can be calculated from:

$$\frac{\sigma_B}{B} = 100 \left(\left(\frac{\sigma_C}{C} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\left(\frac{.2S}{480} - \frac{S}{nA} \right)^2 + \sigma^2 \langle b \rangle}{(\text{Net sample count rate (cpm)} - \langle b \rangle)^2} \right)^{1/2} \right) \quad \text{eq. 3.18}$$

Other possible Errors

Factors not considered in this experiment which are believed to add negligible error in the experiments were: deadtime, peaksumming, self absorption, etc.

The dead time of about 1-2% has very little effect on the results. The error due to photopeak summing is also small. Self absorption is believed to be negligible.

Self absorption was investigated by comparing the calculated activity resulting from photopeaks of different energy present in the decay of a radionuclide such as ^{226}Ra . Results indicate that the lower energy gamma rays do not result in lower activity which one might expect if significant self absorption were present.

The error due to weight is very small. The balance used was accurate to ± 0.001 grams.

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Every effort was made to keep the geometry the same. Each standard sample and each vendor sample was filled to the exact same height in the sample container can.

3.4 Technique To Obtain the Net Counts Due A Specific Isotope When the Same Isotope is Present in the Background

In order to establish a technique to find the net counts without obtaining background for each sample, one must look at the area under a photopeak.

Let the g_i represent the gross count at each channel in the peak area in a region of interest (where $i = 1, \dots, n$ is channel number) and b_i be the gross background count containing the same source (identical channel numbers and region of interest), as shown in the figure 3.5.

Assuming there are eleven channels in the region of interest, the gross counts under the entire peak $G_g = g_1 + g_2 + \dots + g_{11} = \sum_{(i=1)}^{11} g_i$, and the scattering counts (below the peak) are

$$G_s = \left(\frac{g_1 + g_{11}}{2} \right) (c_{11} - c_1 + 1) \quad \text{eq. 3.19}$$

similarly, the background counts under the entire peak are $B_g = b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_{11} = \sum_{i=1}^{11} b_i$, and the scattering counts are:

$$B_s = \left(\frac{b_1 + b_{11}}{2} \right) (c_{11} - c_1 + 1) \quad \text{eq. 3.20}$$

The net counts due to the source under the entire photopeak is then

$$N = G_g - B_g = \sum_{i=1}^{11} (g_i - b_i) \quad \text{eq. 3.21}$$

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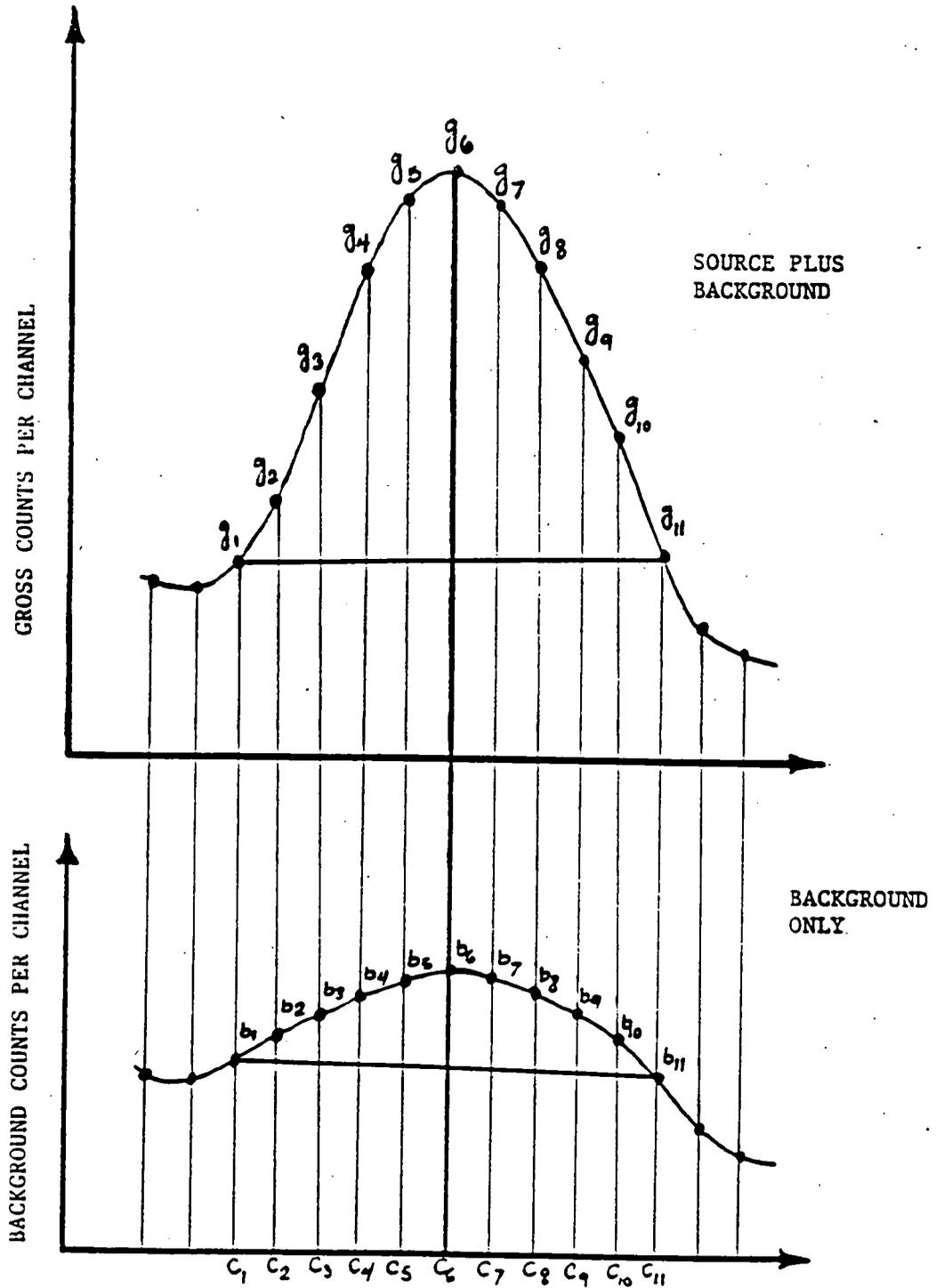


FIGURE 3.5 NET COUNT DETERMINATION

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The net counts due to the source only is given by subtracting the net counts from the source plus background and the background as shown below:

$$\text{Net} = G_g - G_s - (B_g - B_s) \quad \text{eq. 3.22}$$

or

$$\text{Net} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^{11} g_{\lambda} - \left[\frac{(g_1 + g_{11})}{2} (c_{11} - c_1 + 1) \right] - \left[\sum_{\lambda=1}^{11} b_{\lambda} - \left[\frac{(b_1 + b_{11})}{2} (C_{11} - C_1 + 1) \right] \right]$$

$$\text{Net} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^{11} (g_{\lambda} - b_{\lambda}) - \left[\frac{(g_1 - b_1) + (g_{11} - b_{11})}{2} \right] (C_{11} - C_1 + 1). \quad \text{eq. 3.23}$$

If one subtracts the background, channel by channel, the result will be the same.

$$\text{Net} = [(g_1 - b_1) + (g_2 - b_2) + \dots + (g_{11} - b_{11})] - \left[\frac{(g_1 - b_1) + (g_{11} - b_{11})}{2} \right] (c_{11} - c_1 + 1)$$

$$\text{Net} = \sum_{i=1}^{11} (g_i - b_i) - \left[\frac{(g_1 - b_1) + (g_{11} - b_{11})}{2} \right] (c_{11} - c_1 + 1). \quad \text{eq. 3.24}$$

Therefore, they are equal.

3.5 Minimum Detectable Activity Calculation

Minimum Detectable Activity (MDA) or the Lower Limit of Detection (LLD) of the Germanium spectroscopy system may be defined as the smallest amount of sample activity that will yield a net count that can be distinguished as different from background with a specified confidence limit. As is evident in the results; the concentrations and statistical error obtained by the gamma

spectroscopy technique for building material having the lowest radioactivity and hence highest standard error leads to the definition of the Lower Limit of Detection⁽³⁾ as follows:

$$LLD_i = (K_\alpha + K_\beta) SE_i, \quad \text{eq. 3.25}$$

where:

K_α is the value for the upper percentile of the standardized normal variate corresponding to the preselected risk for concluding falsely that activity is present (α), type I error.

K_β is the corresponding value for the predetermined degree of confidence for detecting the presence of activity ($1 - \beta$), type II error.

SE_i is the estimated standard error for a specific photopeak in the background corresponding to a radionuclide in a sample.

For simplicity $K_\alpha = K_\beta = K_G$. Further we assume the probability of type I and type II errors are chosen to be 5%.

Several techniques have been used to estimate the standard errors (SE) for calculating the LLD limits. One technique, described in U.S. DOE Report - HASL 300⁽⁵⁾ (Harley, 1976) uses the standard errors of the background count rates for different photopeaks in the gamma spectra.

The LLD's for each peak can be estimated by assuming that a sample containing extremely low activity has the same count rates as the background. The LLD value for various photopeaks can then be calculated from:

$$LLD_i \approx (K_\alpha + K_\beta) S_{o_i} \approx (3.29) S_o = 3.29 \left(\frac{\sigma_{1}}{\bar{w}} \right) (ci) \quad \text{eq. 3.26}$$

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where:

S_0 is the standard error of the net activity when no activity is present (background),

$K_\alpha = K_\beta = 1.645$, indicates 5% error of type I and II,

$\sigma_{\langle b \rangle_i}$ = Standard deviation of the best value of the background for a given photopeak

\bar{w} = Average weight of all the samples analyzed.

C_i = calibration factor to convert cpm/g to pci/g for a photopeak corresponding to an isotope.

The results are shown in Table 3.4.

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Table 3.4

Estimated LLD Based on Background Data

	(kev)	Best Value for Background		Calibration Factor		LLD
		(cpm)	(cpm) (S.D.)	C pCi/g per	(S.E.)	$3.29 \left(\frac{\sigma}{\bar{w}} \right)$ Lower Limit of Detection
Nuclide	energy		σ 	com/g	σ c/c	of Detection
²²⁶ Ra	185	0.178880	0.023407	259.7800071	0.065909269	0.07
	294	0.068370	0.020698	87.68610599	0.030532708	0.02
	351	0.091048	0.019291	49.72126954	0.025830012	0.01
	608	0.181449	0.016374	77.54667278	0.028261468	0.01
²³⁸ U	63	0.089009	0.022265	2.67451E+03	0.112860067	0.66
	1001	0.013847	0.007439	1.27794E+04	0.493722583	1.05
²³² Th	582	0.135035	0.016766	111.1009177	0.023641907	0.02
	910	0.109886	0.013998	202.2826691	0.030576341	0.03
⁴⁰ K	968	0.062434	0.012625	372.2303575	0.041826461	0.05
	1460	1.270950	0.025979	517.4817867	0.033543802	0.15

\bar{w} = Average weight of all the samples = 298.04 ± 43.27 gram.

*contract requirements for LLD were:

²²⁶Ra = 0.6

²³⁸U = 0.6

²³²Th = 1.0

⁴⁰K = 2.5

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The second method to estimate the LLD's involves the use of a "blank" sample containing very little activity. To do this, a sample was made with Drierite desiccant materials (CaSO₄ 10-20 mesh). The sample was canned and then counted for 8 hrs. The activities of the pertinent radionuclides in of the sample were calculated (the background data were not subtracted), and the standard error's of the activities were calculated. The LLD's were then calculated based on the following equation:

$$LLD_i = 3.29 \left(\frac{\sigma_i}{w} \right) (C_i), \quad \text{eq. 3.27}$$

where:

σ_i = standard error of the activity

C_i = calibration factor pci/g/cpm/g

w = sample weight = 232.90 g.

The results are shown in Table 3.5. It is believed that this calculation is not an accurate estimate of the LLD's, since the error for the one measurement is very high. If the counting time were to be increased, the standard error of the count rate would be reduced.

The LLD limits for a gamma spectroscopy system depend on the activities of different radioisotopes present in the sample. This includes all the isotopes present in the sample. This problem was analyzed extensively by Pasternack and Harley⁽⁸⁾. Their conclusion was the LLD increases with the standard error (SE) of a radionuclide concentration estimate, and SE increases with additional nuclide spectra in the samples. This indicates that the LLD for ²³⁸U will increase if the concentration of ⁴⁰K increases in the sample

Table 3.6 shows the LLD's in the last column for a typical sample.

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TABLE 3.3

LLD VALUES FOR THE CaS_{0.4} STANDARD

University of Wisconsin
Nuclear Engineering

Pa-228, U-238, Th-232, and K-40 Activity in Concrete (PWT) Materials
Westinghouse Material Company Project

Sample Name: CaS04
 Sample Weight: 100.00 grams
 Date Collected: 1/18/87
 Date Sealed: 1/20/87
 Data File Name: 100
 Date Downloaded: 1/21/87
 Counting Time: 10000 sec.
 Sample Geometry: Minimum Can, Size 307-307V000
 Region: Full
 Detector: Intrinsic Germanium Coaxial Detector, PGT Model 130 4021, P Type
 Analyzer: MCA/IBM PC, Nucleus PCA-8000 and IBM Personal Computer

Nuclide	Energy Expected [keV]	Energy Meas. [keV]	S Sample Gross Integral [counts]	s Sample Net Integral [counts]	- [s/c] Count Rate [cpm]	Bq/g Source Count Rate/gram [cpm/g]
Pa-228	95.755	95.635	199	113	1.17800E-01	1.1045E-03
	204.600	203.030	100	55	1.07500E-01	5.1000E-04
	261.636	260.16	190	11	1.0000E-01	1.1045E-04
	302.93	303.407	201	93	1.0417E-01	1.1000E-04
U-238	53.34	53.0440	197	93	1.1040E-01	1.1000E-04
	1001.04	1001.74	15	5	1.0500E-02	5.1501E-05
Th-232	598.749	598.407	113	93	1.3075E-01	1.1000E-04
	910.653	910.014	151	71	1.4700E-01	1.1011E-04
	959.39	959.191	10	1	1.6657E-02	1.1551E-05
K-40	1460.21	1461.1	579	335	1.1771E-01	5.1040E-03

R'	R/P'	Standard ppm/g per ppm/g	Sample Activity per gram [ppm/g]	SD Sample Activity --(%)	Sample Activity per gram [Bq/g]	LLD [ppm/g]	Yield
1.47085E-03	0.04	0.69795E-03	0.07659	10.37	1.025E-03	0.000045907	Pa-235
1.80845E-03	0.04	8.70035E-04	0.08177	15.15	1.003E-03	0.000058000	
0.00785E-03	0.03	1.07015E-03	0.03690	18.99	1.175E-03	0.000770113	
1.43075E-03	0.03	7.08175E-04	0.06700	19.30	0.895E-03	0.040190390	
			avg				
0.96015E-03	0.03	1.67155E-03	1.06797	44.60	1.695E-03	1.067050510	U-232
0.09035E-03	0.03	1.07795E-04	0.69599	14.10	1.545E-03	0.050130995	
			avg				
1.05535E-03	0.05	1.01115E-03	0.06040	10.11	1.105E-03	0.001055074	Th-230
0.03605E-03	0.07	0.00005E-03	0.10047	20.30	1.705E-03	0.000196000	
5.00195E-03	0.07	0.70005E-03	0.00004	10.00	1.335E-03	0.000070000	
			avg				
0.70015E-03	0.03	5.00000E-03	0.00007	3.00	1.005E-03	0.000000000	Ac-228

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TABLE 3.6
 LTD VALUES FOR A TYPICAL CEMENT SAMPLE

University of Mississippi
 Nuclear Engineering

Rad-100, Th-232, Th-230, and U-235 Activity in Concrete PWT Materials
 Westinghouse Materials Inventory Project

Sample Name: WWT-001 Basic Resources Concrete, Cement Sample #1
 Sample Weight: 100.91 grams
 Date Collected: 3/13/87
 Date Sealed: 3/26/87
 Data File Name: -101A.
 Date Counted: 5/04/87
 Counting Time: 10000 sec.
 Sample Geometry: Aluminum Can, Size 107-307V000
 Region: Full
 Detector: Intrinsic Germanium Coaxial Detector, PGT Model 160-4001, P Type
 Analyzer: MCA/ISM PC, Nucleus PCA-3000 and IBM Personal Computer

Nuclide	Energy Expected [keV]	Energy Mass. [keV]	S Gross Integral Source [cps]	s Net Integral Source [cps]	Bkg Count Rate [cpm]	- [s/t-b/c] Count Rate [cpm]	R = s/s Source Count Rate/gram [cpm/g]
Ra-226	185.755	185.952	300	199	1.73085E-01	1.11045E-01	1.35125E-03
	204.009	204.144	1010	198	1.33703E-02	1.00333E-02	1.34323E-03
	261.556	261.916	1004	155	1.10148E-02	2.72105E-02	1.10015E-02
	308.00	308.00	1700	330	1.81455E-01	1.77103E-02	1.0355E-03
Th-232	93.04	93.0587	190	45	1.90095E-02	1.30435E-02	1.33832E-03
	1001.04	1001.07	50	ND	1.32475E-02	ND	ND
Th-230	582.749	583.144	100	551	1.35035E-01	1.01065E-02	1.10555E-03
	610.353	610.733	508	104	1.06095E-01	1.01735E-02	1.06555E-03
	659.39	659.805	140	214	1.04345E-02	1.03105E-02	1.05755E-03
U-235	450.07	450.07	1407	2103	1.07105E-02	1.11035E-02	1.05305E-03

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R'	R/R'	Standard	Sample	SD	Sample	LD	Nuclide
Standard		act/g	Activity	Sample	Activity		
Count		per	per gram	Activity	per gram		
Rate/gram		gram/g	[act/g]	--[B]	[B=]/g]	[act/g]	
[cpm/g]							
1.47065E-03	0.43	1.55705E-02	1.550173	10.10	1.365E-02	0.00	Pa-233
1.12343E-02	0.57	1.75333E-01	1.550002	5.00	1.435E-02	0.10	
1.35703E-02	0.61	4.97013E-01	1.550126	1.53	1.105E-02	0.00	
1.10873E-02	0.50	1.753473E-01	1.550363	3.65	1.015E-02	0.11	
			Avg				
			1.559941				
3.00310E-03	0.00	1.57455E-03	1.07939	1059.36	1.04E-03	0.77	U-239
1.00033E-03	ND	1.07733E-04	ND	ND	ND		
			Avg				
			1.07939				
3.3333E-02	0.25	1.1110E-02	1.43946	7.43	1.31E-02	0.10	Th-232
1.05603E-03	0.03	1.00003E-03	1.42339	12.05	1.57E-02	0.10	
1.00103E-03	0.03	1.70003E-03	1.60373	13.03	1.33E-02	0.07	
			Avg				
			1.51103				
1.77313E-02	0.35	5.17403E-02	1.00067	1.31	1.03E-01	0.10	U-235

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Best Values for Background and Standard Count Rates:

Since the background and the NBS calibrated sources were counted independently, they do not all have the same statistical errors (because the counting time is different). Then, a simple average is no longer the optimum way to calculate the best representation of the two quantities. A better technique is calculating their "best values" by a coefficient weighting method. In this method, the best value $\langle x \rangle$ can be computed from the linear combination of individual measurements (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i) , and using a weighting factor a_i (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_i) as shown in the following:

$$\langle x \rangle = \frac{a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_i x_i}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_i} \quad \text{eq. 3.28}$$

where, a_i is inversely related to square of its own error as shown in the following

$$a_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_{x_i}^2} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_{x_1}^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_{x_2}^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sigma_{x_i}^2} \right)^{-1} \quad \text{eq. 3.29}$$

For the optimum weighting, the value of variance can be calculated from:

$$\sigma_{\langle x \rangle}^2 = \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_{x_1}^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_{x_2}^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sigma_{x_i}^2} \right)^{-1} \quad \text{eq. 3.30}$$

The standard deviation for the net counts above the continuum area for a photopeak in the gamma spectra (assuming poisson statistics) can be calculated from:

$$\sigma_{\text{net}} = \left(\frac{2g-n}{t} \right)^{1/2} \quad \text{eq. 3.31}$$

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where, \bar{g} = Gross count rate of a photopeak area,

n = Net count rate in the peak above continuum area

t = Counting time

Applying the weighting coefficient technique and using the above standard deviation results in

$$a_1 = \frac{t_1}{(2g-n)_{b1}} (B), \quad \text{eq. 3.32}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{t_1}{(2g-n)_{b2}} (B), \quad \text{eq. 3.33}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{t_2}{(2g-n)_{b3}} (B), \quad \text{eq. 3.34}$$

$$\text{and } a_4 = \frac{t_1}{(2g-n)_{b4}} (B). \quad \text{eq. 3.35}$$

where:

$$B \triangleq \left(\frac{t_1}{(2g-n)_{b1}} + \frac{t_1}{(2g-n)_{b2}} + \frac{t_2}{(2g-n)_{b3}} + \frac{t_1}{(2g-n)_{b4}} \right)^{-1} \quad \text{eq. 3.36}$$

t_1 = counting time for background = 480 min

t_2 = counting time for background = 960 min

Then, the best value for the net background count rate in the background can be calculated from:

$$\langle b \rangle = \frac{a_1(b1) + a_2(b2) + a_3(b3) + a_4(a_4)}{a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4} \quad \text{eq. 3.37}$$

where, b_i 's represent the net background count rates in the photopeak areas (above continuum).

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And, the standard deviation of the best value for the background count rate is

$$\sigma_{\langle b \rangle} = (B)^{1/2} \tag{eq. 3.38}$$

Similarly, the calibrated NBS standard can be calculated from:

$$a_1 = \frac{t_1}{(2g-n)_{s1}} (S), \tag{eq. 3.39}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{t_1}{(2g-n)_{s2}} (S), \tag{eq. 3.40}$$

$$\text{and } a_3 = \frac{t_2}{(2g-n)_{s3}} (S). \tag{eq. 3.41}$$

$$\text{where: } S = \frac{\Delta t_1}{(2g-n)_{s1}} + \frac{t_1}{(sg-n)_{s2}} + \frac{t_2}{(sg-n)_{s3}} \tag{eq. 3.42}$$

t1= counting time for NBS source= 480 min

t2= counting time for NBS source = 1440 min

The best value for the net NBS standard count rate can be calculated from:

$$\langle s \rangle = \frac{a_1(s_1) + a_2(s_2) + a_3(s_3)}{a_1 + a_2 + a_3} \tag{eq. 3.43}$$

where, s_i's represent the net source (plus background) count rate in the photopack areas (above continuum). And the standard deviation of the best value of the NBS standard can be calculated from

$$\sigma_{\langle s \rangle} = (S)^{1/2} \quad \text{or} \quad \sigma_{\langle s \rangle}^2 = S. \quad \text{eq. 3.44}$$

For the EPA standard, since the counting error for both measurements are nearly the same, the simple averaging technique for the best value is adequate. The average counts for the net and gross counts under a photopeak are as following:

$$\bar{S}_{ns} = \frac{S_{ns1} + S_{ns2}}{2} \quad \text{eq. 3.45}$$

$$\bar{S}_{gs} = \frac{S_{gs1} + S_{gs2}}{2} \quad \text{eq. 3.46}$$

The average count rate for the net and the gross count rate is

$$\bar{S}_{ns} = \frac{\bar{S}_{ns}}{t} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{S}_{gs} = \frac{\bar{S}_{gs}}{t} \quad \text{eq. 3.47}$$

where t = counting time for the source = 480 min.

The standard deviation of the average net count rate is

$$\sigma_{\bar{S}_{ns}} = \frac{2 \bar{S}_{gs} - \bar{S}_{ns}}{(2)(t)} \quad \text{eq. 3.48}$$

where, $t=480$ min.

In order to reduce the statistical errors due to background, estimate its best values in different regions, and evaluate its stability, several measurements of background at different dates were made.

Figures 3.6 - 3.10 show data in various spectral regions from several 8 hour background counts. The best values of background ($\langle b \rangle$) along with $\langle b \rangle \pm 2 \sigma \langle b \rangle$ are indicated on the figures (95% confidence levels).

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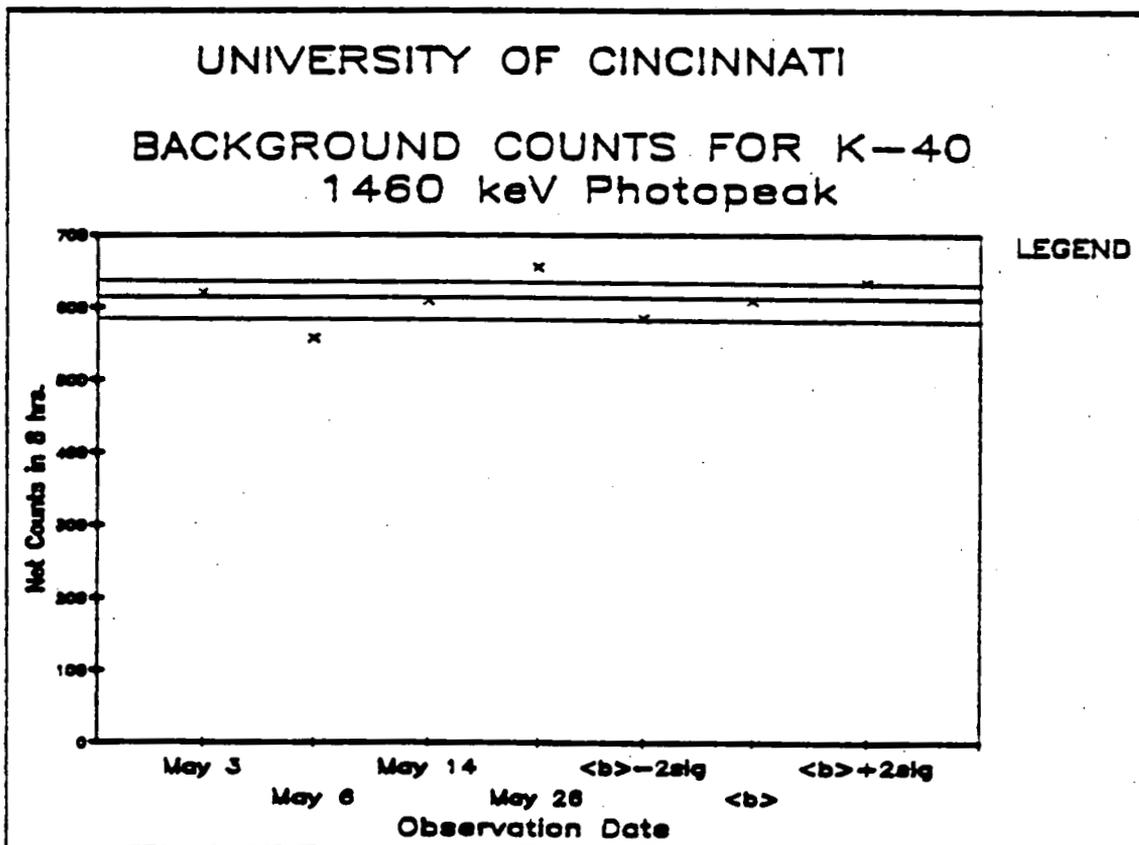
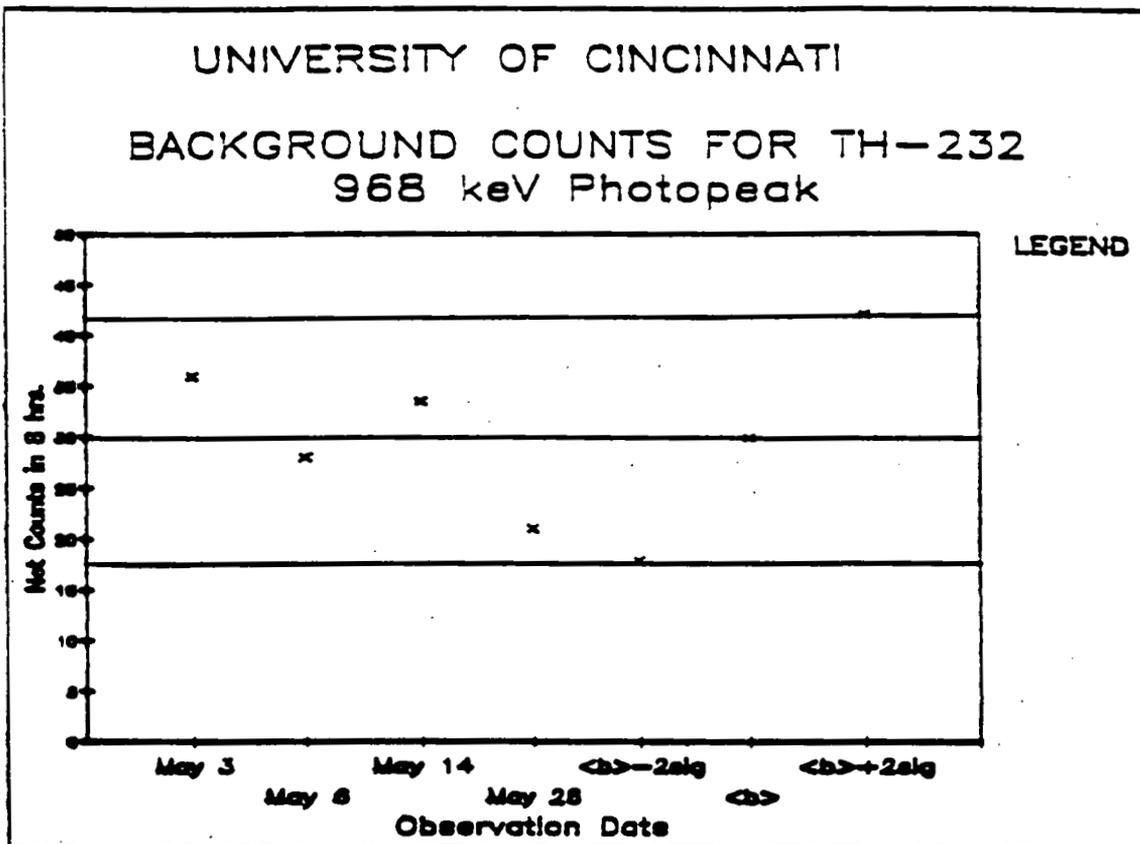
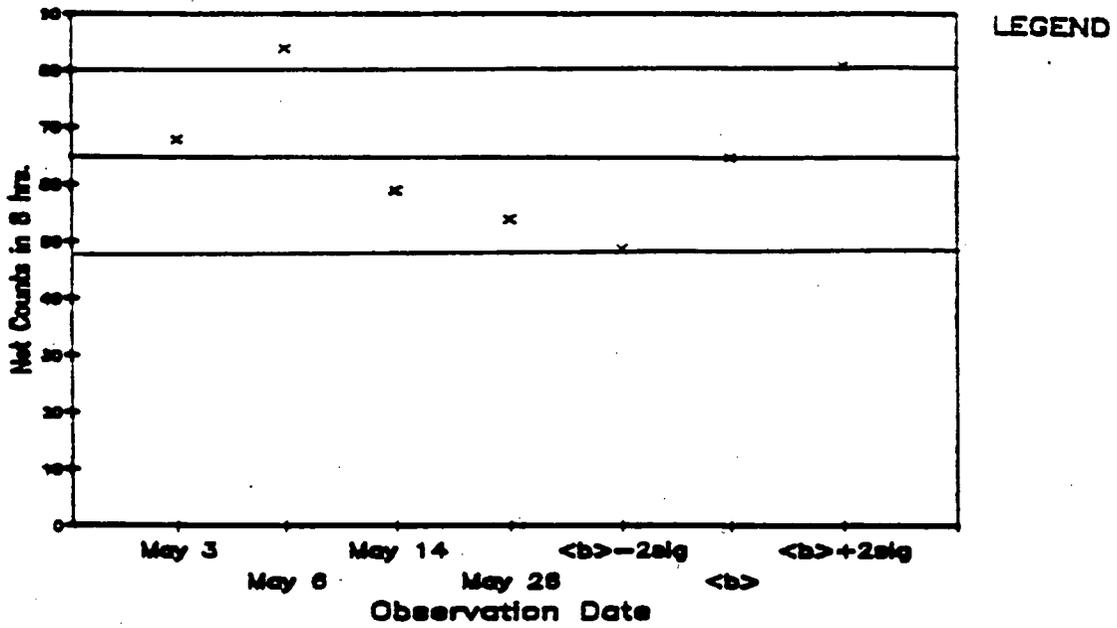


FIGURE 3.6

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BACKGROUND COUNTS FOR TH-232
582 keV Photopeak



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BACKGROUND COUNTS FOR TH-232
910 keV Photopeak

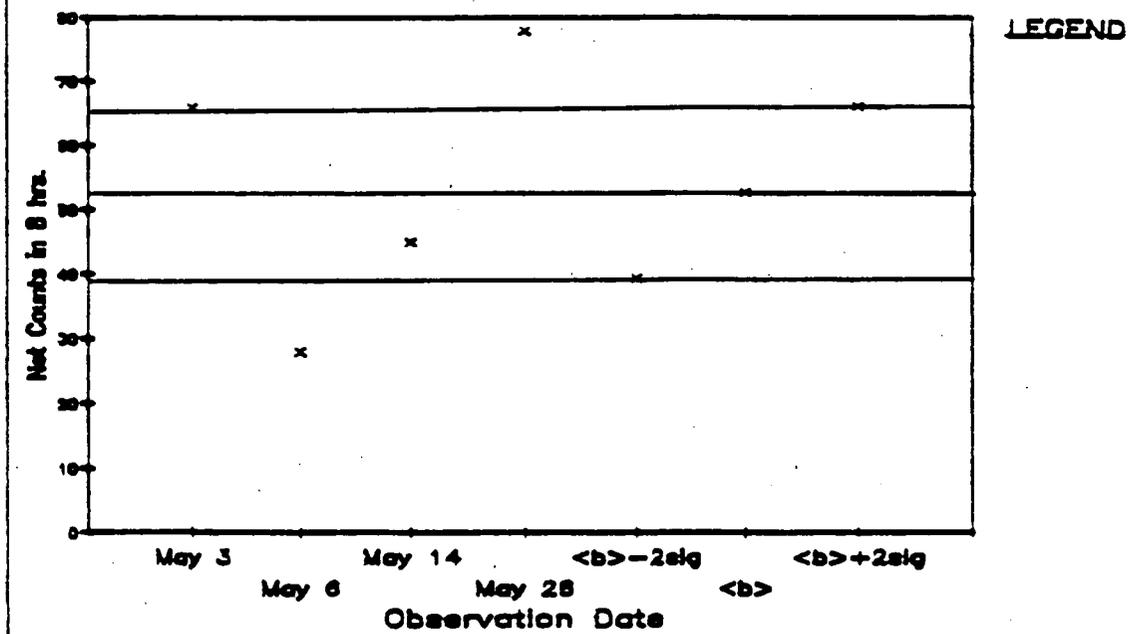


FIGURE 3.7

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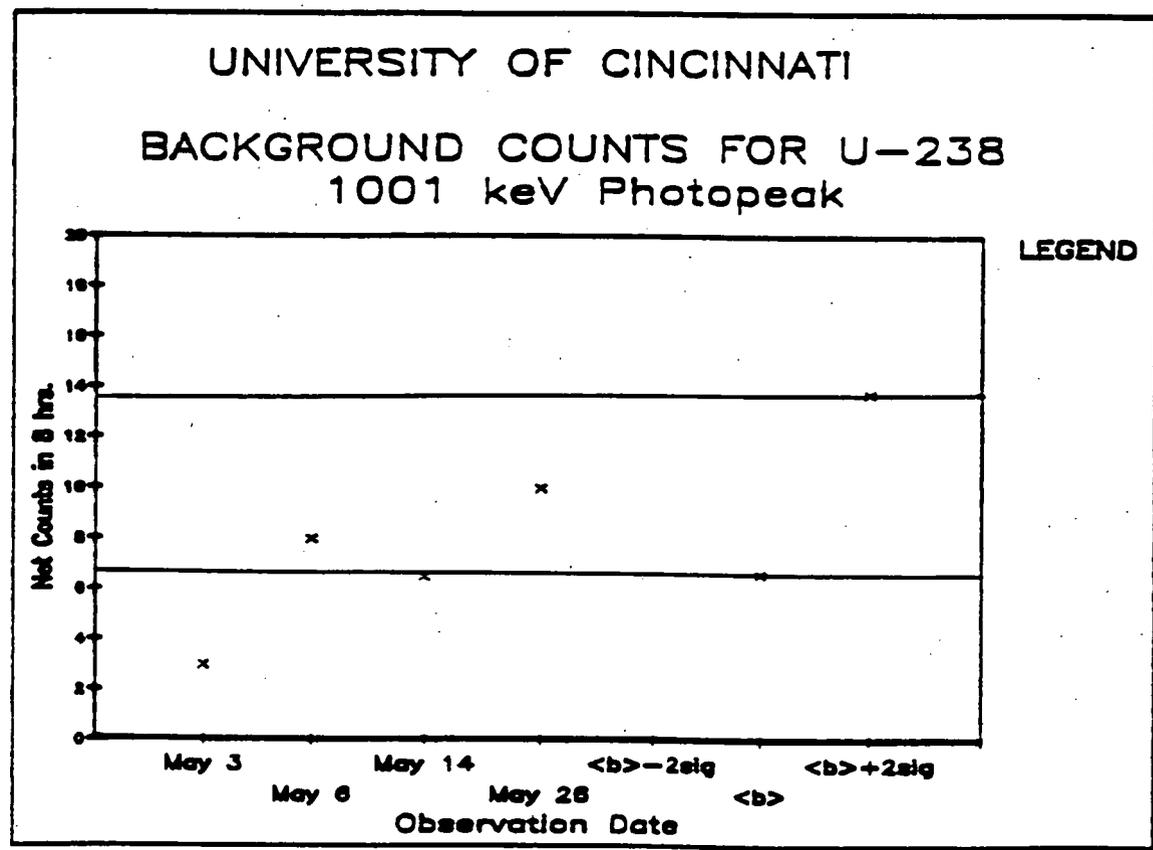
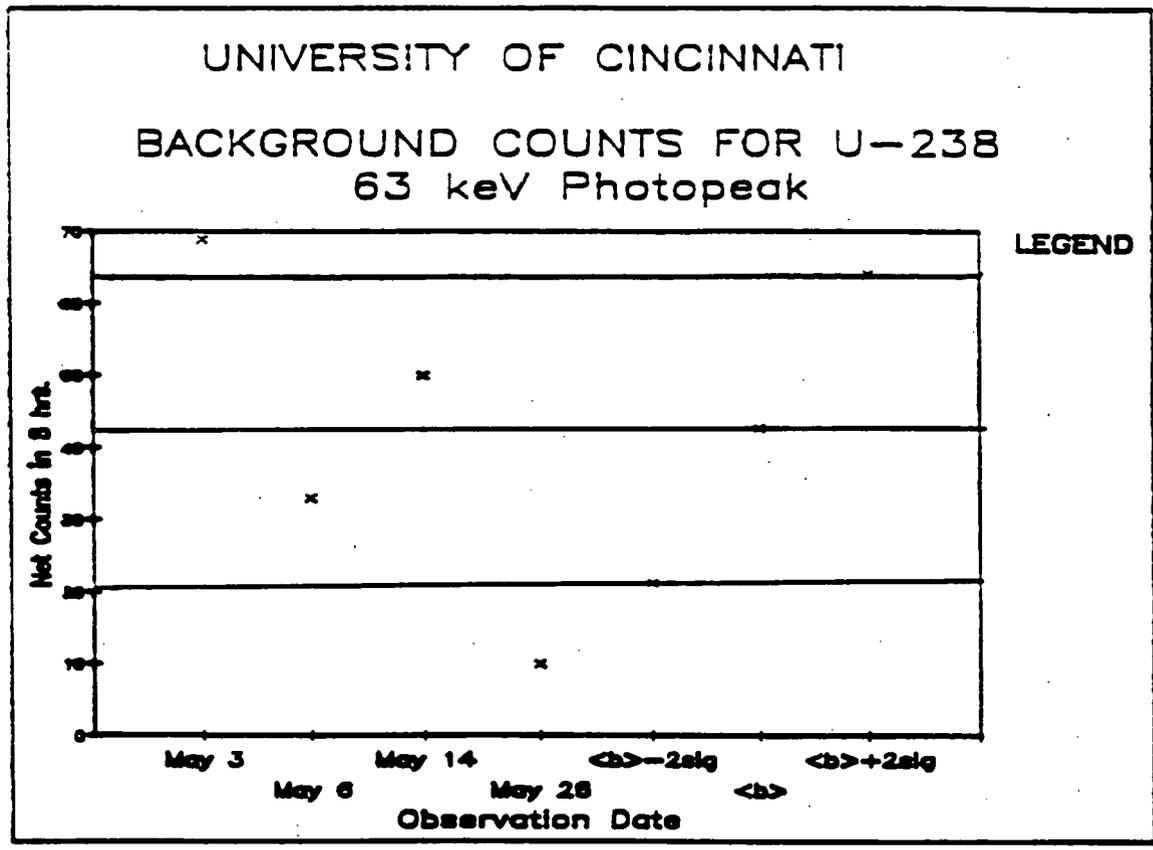


FIGURE 3.8

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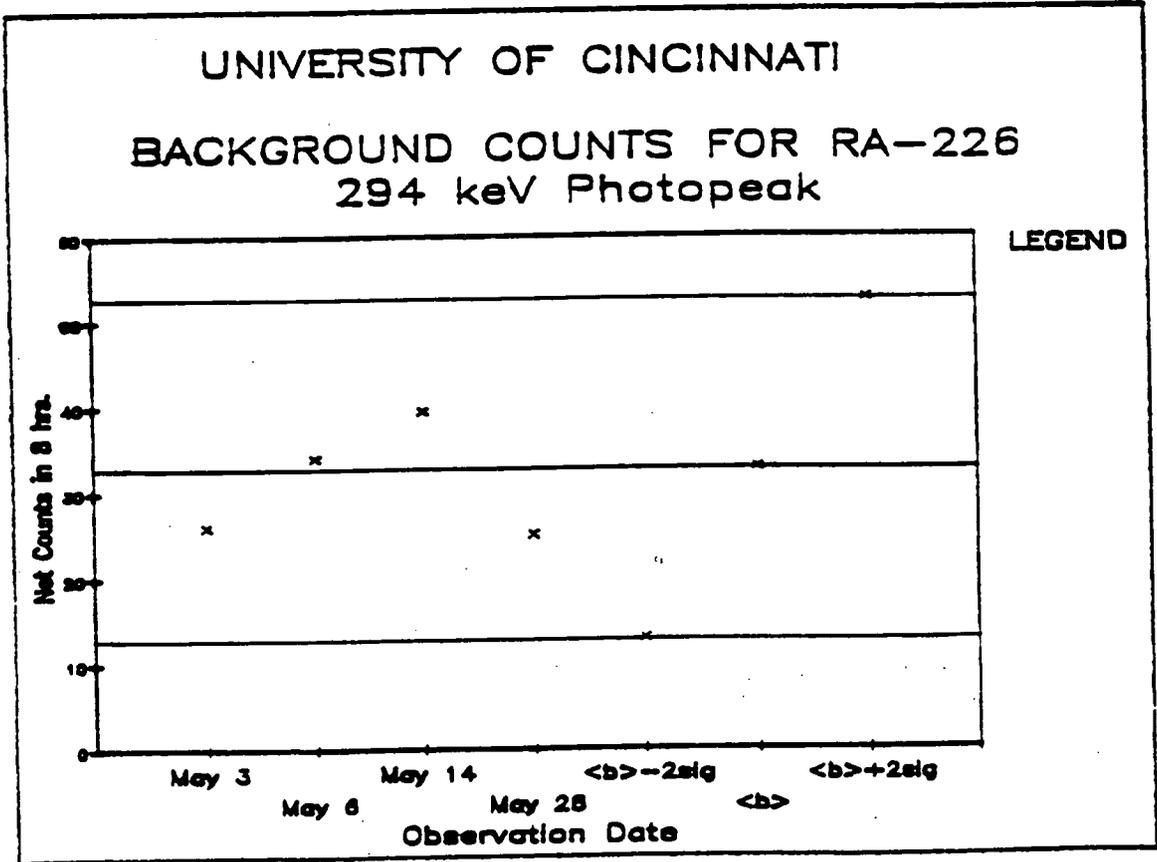
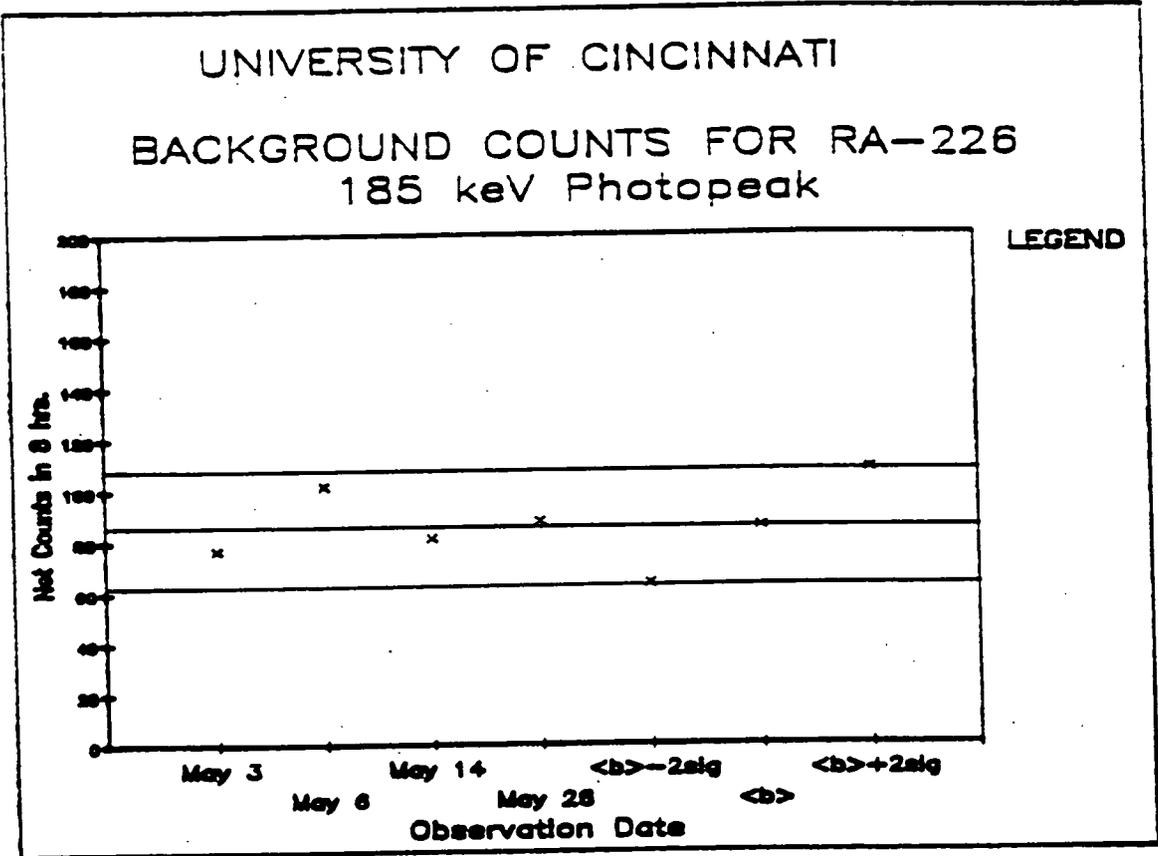


FIGURE 3.9

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SECTION 4 - Analytical procedures

4.1 Site Selection for Equipment Setup

The laboratory that houses the Low-Level Counting Facility was carefully selected by a radiation survey prior to setting up the gamma spectrometry system. Gamma spectra were acquired, and integral counts in the following four regions were compared at different sites:

<u>Channel (#)</u>		<u>Energy (KeV)</u>	
<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
20	511	30	766.5
513	1023	769.5	1534.5
1025	1535	1537.5	2302.5
1537	2047	2305.5	3070.5

Based on the analysis of the count rates at different regions and sites, location with lowest background was selected. The laboratory chosen is temperature controlled and has a high air turnover (flow) to avoid Radon build-up.

4.2 Equipment

The Gamma Spectroscopy System used in this project is composed of a Germanium detector (with its cryostat, dewar, and pre-amplifier), a spectroscopy amplifier, a high voltage power supply with automatic liquid nitrogen monitor, a lead/cadmium/copper shield assembly, and a multichannel analyzer. The multichannel analyzer is linked to an IBM Microcomputer with a graphic printer. The system is shown in Figs. 4.1 (a and b). The important components are described in detail in the following paragraphs.

Intrinsic Germanium Detector

A principal component of the low level spectroscopy system used in this project is the Germanium detector. The type of detector used is a P-type

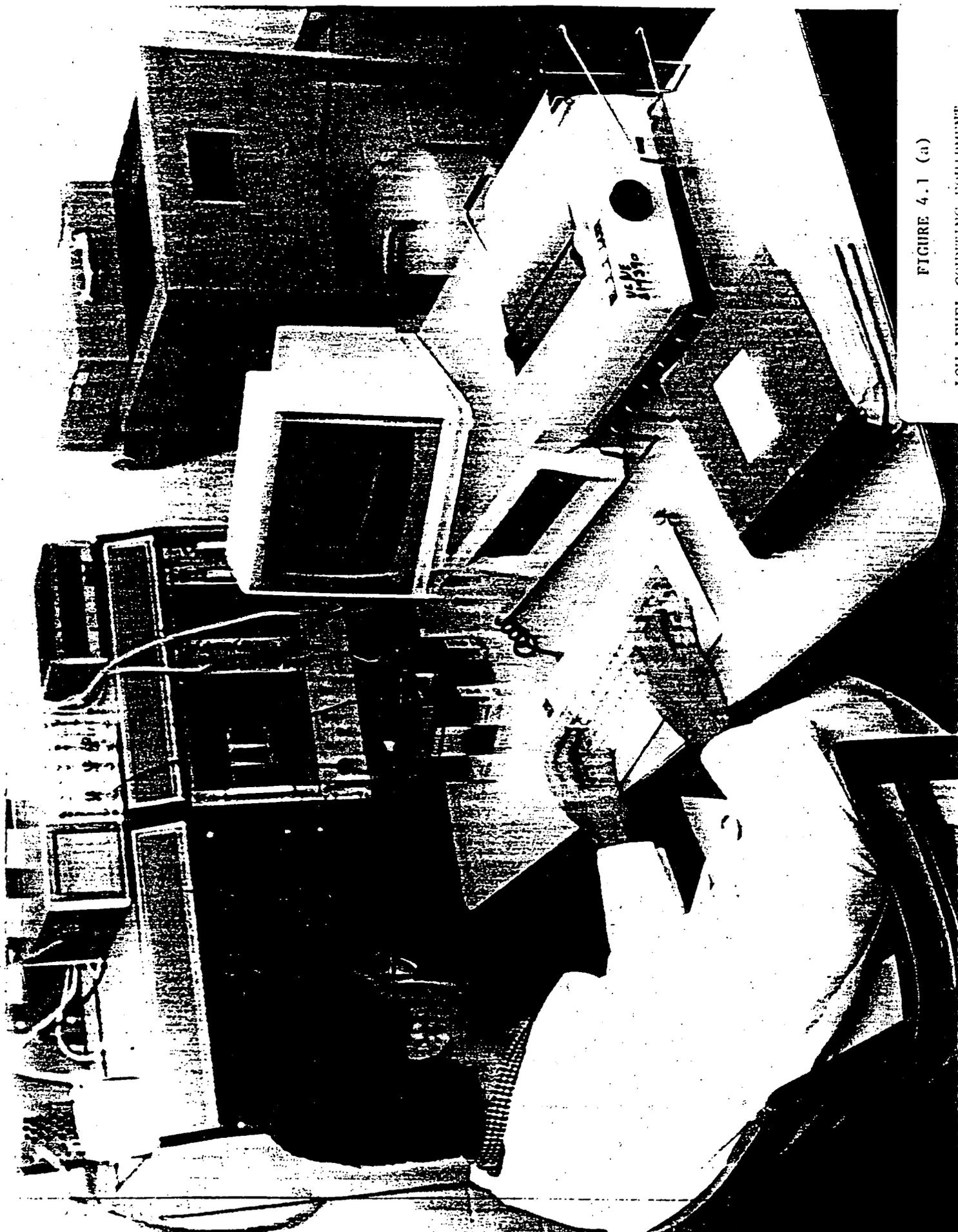


FIGURE 4.1 (a)

FOR FURTHER CONSULTING INFORMATION

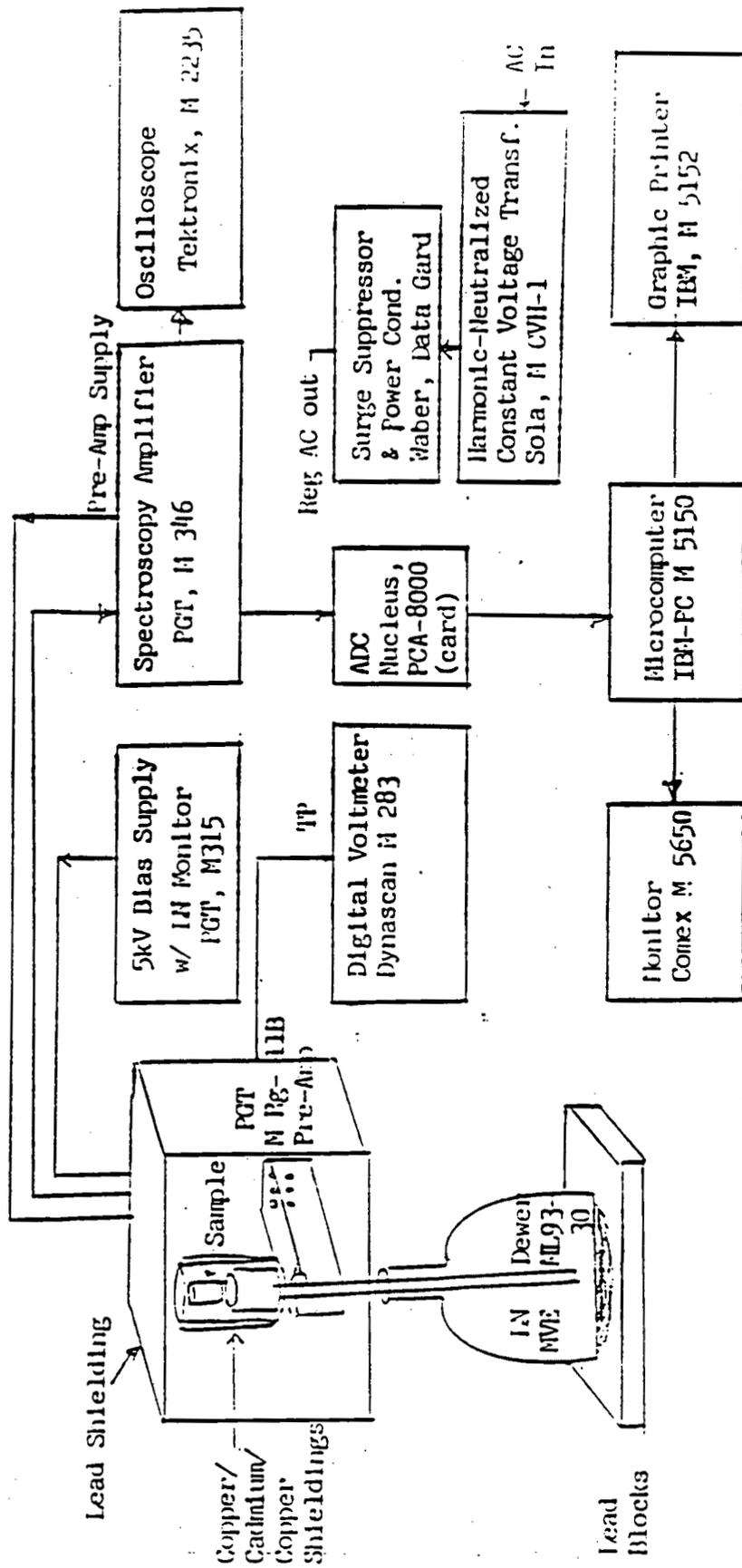


FIGURE 4.1 (b) Block Diagram of the Instrumentation used for Low-Level Counting of Building Materials

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coaxial intrinsic (high purity) germanium detector. The detector specifications are shown in Fig. 4.2. Several important detector specifications were carefully considered to be useful for low level counting.

The detector efficiency was one of the prime factors that was considered in selecting a detector. The detector used in this project has a relative efficiency of 41.8%. The Germanium detector resolution is 1.95 keV for the 1332 KeV photon of Co-60, and 0.917 keV for the 122 keV of photon Co-57. The peak to compton ratio for the 1332 KeV photon is 63:1.

Spectroscopy Amplifier

The Model 346 Spectroscopy Amplifier (Princeton Gamma-Tech) used in this project is a state-of-the-art instrument, designed to optimize energy resolution in spectroscopy application with the Germanium detector. It has a wide choice of selectable shaping time constants (shaping time of 4 microseconds used) and a baseline restorer.

Multichannel and Personal Computer Analyzer

The Multichannel and Personal Computer Analyzer is composed of an MCA card containing an 8192 Channel Analog to Digital Converter (ADC), an upgraded microcomputer system, and an graphic printer. The microcomputer consists of dual floppy Disk Drives, 640 kilobit RAM, a graphic card, and a monochrome monitor. In addition to the standard microcomputer system, a multifunction card, and a PCA1-8000 multichannel card were added. The computer system was supported by IBM DOS 3.00, Lotus 1-2-3, and the Nucleus software.

The ADC card used in conjunction with the microcomputer meets certain specifications desirable for low-level gamma spectroscopy, namely high conversion gain (8192 channels), high clock frequency (100 Mhz), and good

TECHNICAL DATA INTRINSIC GERMANIUM COAXIAL DETECTOR

Model Number: IGC 4001 Cryostat: SD/L Serial Number: 1995

Type: IGC P N Well Other _____

Measured Performance:

Operating Bias: +4500 VDC Polarity Positive

at 1.33 MeV, ⁶⁰Co, with 4 microseconds amplifier shaping time:

Efficiency: 41.8 % (Full energy peak relative to that of 3" x 3" NaI, 25 cm source-to-detector distance)

Resolution: 1.95 keV FWHM (full width half maximum)

3.75 keV FWTM (full width tenth maximum)

Peak/Compton: 63.71 (Ratio of peak height to Compton plateau height)

at 122 keV, ⁵⁷Co, with 4 microseconds amplifier shaping time:

Resolution: 0.917 keV FWHM (full width half maximum)

Other: _____

Characteristics:

Diameter: 52 mm Length: 60 mm Nominal active volume: 170 cm³

Detector-to-window distance: 5 mm Face dead layer thickness: 0.6 mm

Capacitance: - picofarads at operating bias

Leakage current: 50.1 nanoamperes at operating bias

Test point voltage: -220 VDC without radiation sources

Preamplifier FET: Cooled Room temperature

Test equipment: Amplifier OGT 347

Bias supply OGT 314

Tested by: C. Feyal

Date: 4/30/87 000057



linearity and stability. A summary of the specifications is shown in Appendix B. Data reduction and analysis are performed by computer programs purchased for this purpose.

Bias Supply for Detector (with LN Monitor)

The bias supply (PGT, Model 315) for the Germanium detector has a voltage range of 0-5 KeV with noise and ripple of less than 3 mV peak-to-peak. The voltage drift is less than 0.05% per hour. In addition to the bias supply, the unit has the capability to monitor the liquid nitrogen in the dewar that cools the detector and the pre-amplifier and shut off the bias supply due to lack of liquid nitrogen or detector malfunction (excessive leakage current).

Shielding

To reduce the background counts several shielding configurations were designed, built, and tested. The final shield configuration is shown in Figure 4.3. Four inches of lead brick surround a cylindrical chamber made from copper and cadmium fitted around the detector assembly. Figure 4.4 shows a picture of the detector and sample, surrounded by the shield. The background gamma ray spectra obtained before and after shielding are shown in Figures 4.5 and 4.6. An estimated improvement of 65:1 was observed. The energy calibration curve for the system is shown in Figure 4.7.

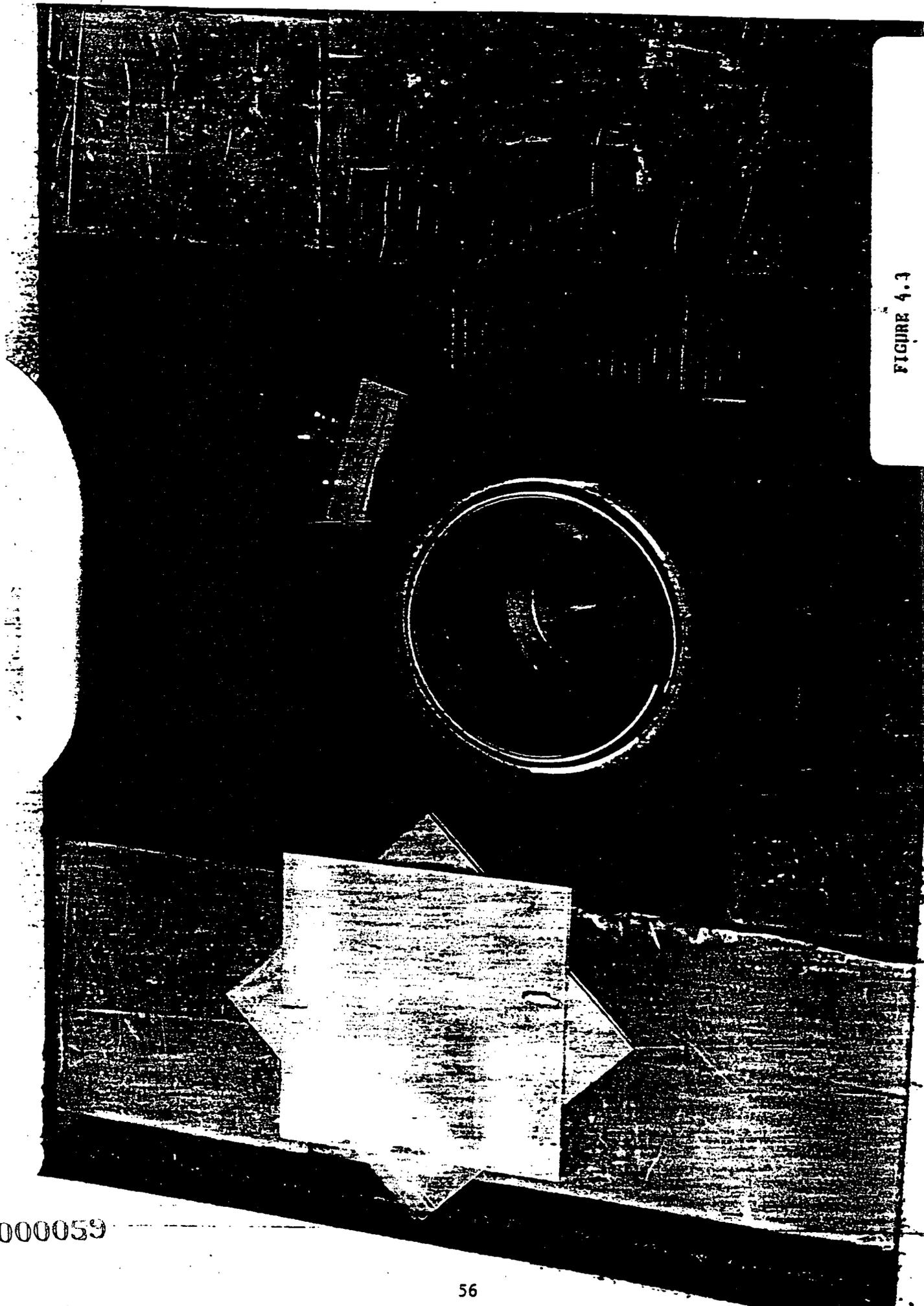
4.3 Sample Collection and Preparation

Sample Selection

Three samples of sand, gravel and cement were collected from each of the six concrete suppliers. A liter of water was also collected from each vendor for analysis. At the suggestion of Mr. Bill Hayes, the analysis of the water

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FIGURE 4.3



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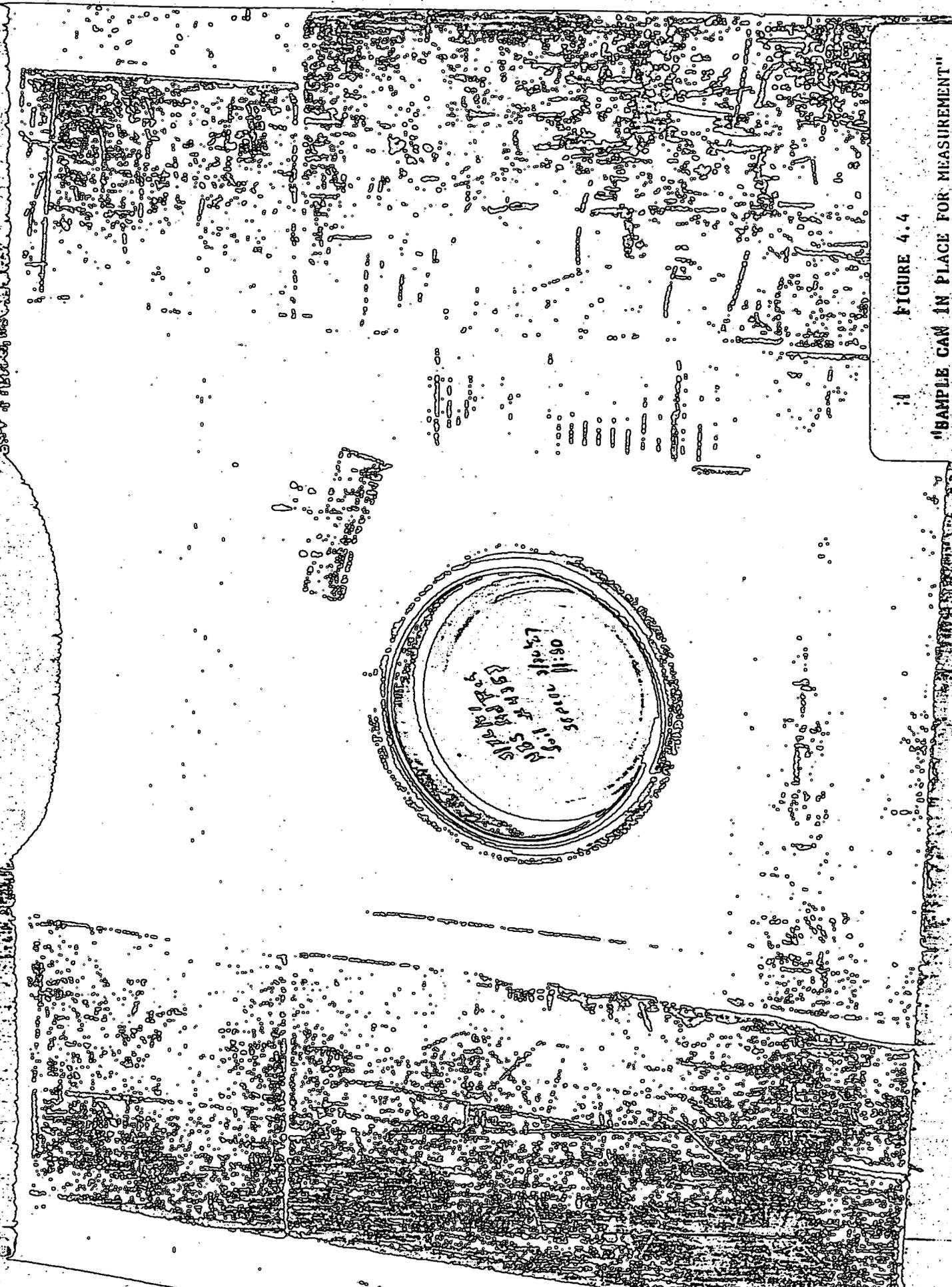


FIGURE 4.4

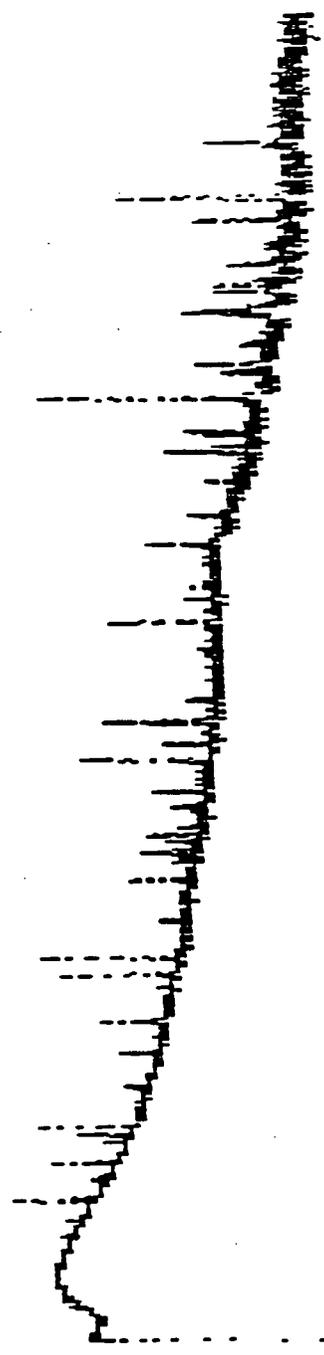
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FUNCTION KEY

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MORE	IDENT
F3	F4
STORE	LOAD
F5	F6
WORK	USER
F7	F8
ATOM	EXHIB
F9	F10
DOES	MAIN

FIGURE 4.5
 "BACKGROUND GAMMA RAY SPECTRUM
 WITHOUT SHIELDING"



CHANNEL: 5845 COUNTS: 00013149 ROI #1: OFF ROI #2: OFF
 PK #: 00 CTRD: 0.00000 CHL FWHM: 0.00000 CHL GROSS: 00000000 NET: 00000000
 TIME LIVE PRESET: 080100 ELAPSED: 080100 REMAINING: 000000 SECONDS

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FUNCTION KEY

F1	F2
MORE	IDENT
F3	F4
STORE	LOAD
F5	F6
DOWN	USER
F7	F8
CTRD	FWHM
F9	F10
DOS	MAIN

FIGURE 4.6
 "BACKGROUND GAMMA RAY SPECTRUM WITH SHIELDING"



ENERGY: 1460.39 KEV COUNTS: 00000076 ROI #1: OFF ROI #2: OFF
 PK #: 00 CTRD: 0.00000 KEV FWHM: 0.00000 KEV GROSS: 000000000 NET: 000000000
 TIME LIVE PRESET: 028800 ELAPSED: 028800 REMAINING: 028800 SECONDS

ENERGY CALIBRATION CURVE

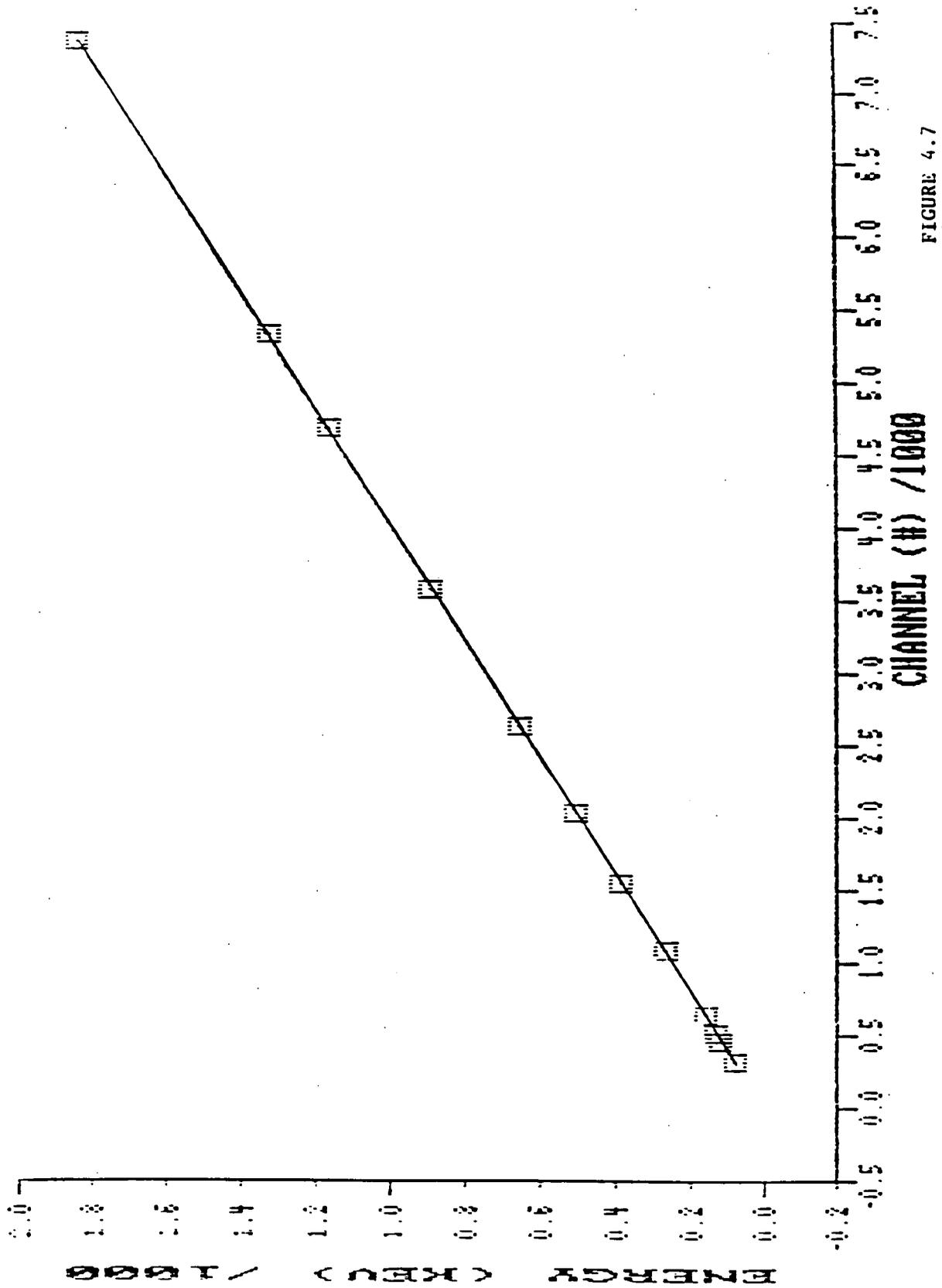


FIGURE 4.7

ENERGY CALIBRATION CURVE

samples was performed at WMCO.

The concrete fill material samples (sand, cement, gravel and water) were collected from each vendor's site and were placed in large plastic containers. All solid material samples were marked with vendor name, location of the sample, and type of sample (sand, gravel or cement). The water samples were collected in a one liter plastic bottle and identified in the same manner.

All of the samples were collected using a procedure that would insure homogeneous samples. Each vendor maintains a large sand pile. Sand samples were collected in the large container by obtaining a large number of small samples from various locations in the sand pile. The same procedure was used to collect the cement and gravel samples.

Sample Containers

The container selected for preparation of samples for measurement was an aluminum can approximately 3 7/16" diameter by 2 1/8" high (Type 307 x 202) obtained from Central States Can Co., Massillon, Ohio. The matching lid could be hermetically sealed for containment of ^{222}Rn during ingrowth from ^{226}Ra . The lid sealing tool was a Model 225 Master Can Sealer (Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry, Manitowish, Wisconsin). A sample can is shown in Figure 4.8.

Selection of the sample container was made following an evaluation of what was available from various suppliers and discussions with persons doing similar work at other laboratories. The container selected matches the diameter of the intrinsic germanium detector very closely, is inexpensive, convenient to use and is similar to those in use in laboratories doing related work.

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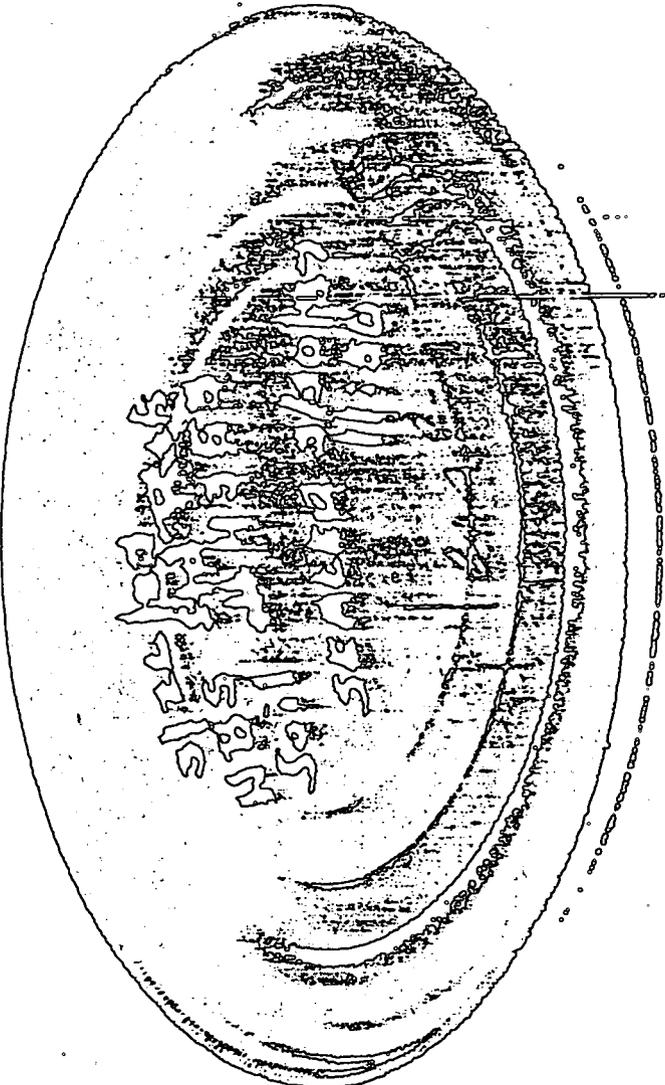


FIGURE 4.8
SAMPLE CAN



Sample Preparation

Part of the fill material samples which were collected in the large plastic containers were transferred to the aluminum sample holding can. Each can was marked and identified with the vendor name and data about the sample. Each sample was prepared for counting in an identical fashion to the standard samples.

Two sample cans and lids were appropriately marked and weighed on a digital balance. Sample material (i.e. sand, gravel and cement) was removed from the field container by means of a spatula and placed in each of the cans to approximately 80% of capacity. Each container and lid was re-weighed with the sample inside it.

Cans with sample and lids were placed in an oven at 120°C and dried for a minimum of 16 hours. This period was extended to 24 to 48 hours whenever possible. Upon removal from the oven, samples were placed in a desiccator and permitted to come to room temperature in this atmosphere in order to prevent the samples from picking up moisture while cooling off.

The samples were then re-weighed. A considerable loss of weight and settling occurred during drying (particularly in sand and cement samples). Thus a portion of the contents of one can was removed by spatula and placed in the second can to a height of 3.4 centimeters, as measured from the inside bottom surface of the can. A final weighing of the sample, contents and lid was made to obtain the total sample mass. There was a slight difference in the masses of samples of a given medium but the volume occupied in the container was constant.

Following the final weighing the lid was sealed on the can. Date and time of this operation was recorded for purposes of assessing the ingrowth of ^{222}Rn into ^{226}Ra . Data on all the weighing and drying operations described

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above, including times and dates were also appropriately logged.

The minimum ingrowth period of ^{222}Rn into ^{226}Ra prior to measurement was 21 days. In most cases this ingrowth period was considerably longer and thus ^{222}Rn was within 1-2% of equilibrium in most samples prior to counting. Since the deviation from a true secular equilibrium was small and well below measurement errors, no correction for ingrowth was included in the calculation.

4.4 Counting Procedures

Using the Germanium spectroscopy system described earlier, all samples were counted for an 8 hour measurement period. The time and date of the count was recorded in a laboratory notebook. Other pertinent information such as: sample name, date, calibration checks, or any other relevant information was also logged in the book. Every attempt was made to maintain the same geometry for all the measurements. A typical Gamma spectrum is shown in Fig. 4.9. In the gamma spectra analysis, the peaks were identified based on their photopeak energies, and the regions-of-interest were established. Fig. 4.10 shows two peaks with pertinent regions of interests. The first samples analyzed were the NBS and the EPA standards to obtain the calibration factors.

4.5 Photopeak Identification and Determination of Photopeak Areas

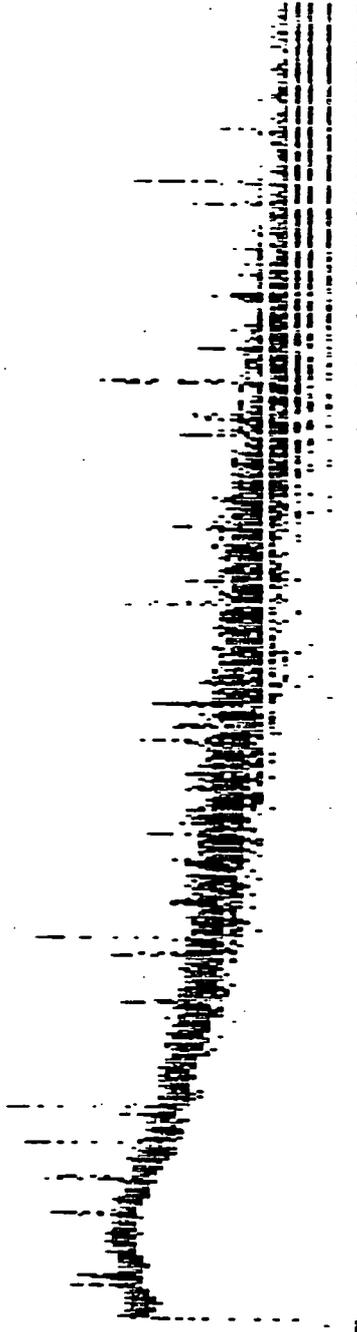
Identification of gamma ray photopeaks from the radionuclides measured in this study was accomplished predominantly by accurate energy measurements and measurements of relative photopeak counts. The gamma spectrometer system was energy calibrated as shown previously by Figure 4.7. The energy calibration was accomplished through the use of the multiple nuclide standard source described in Section 4.2. This procedure assured that photopeak energy could

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MORE	IDENT
F3	F4
STORE	LOAD
F5	F6
ONLINE	USER
F7	F8
CTRD	FWHM
F9	F10
DOS	MAIN

FIGURE 4.9
 TYPICAL GAMMA SPECTRA
 SHOWING PHOTO PEAK IDENTIFIED



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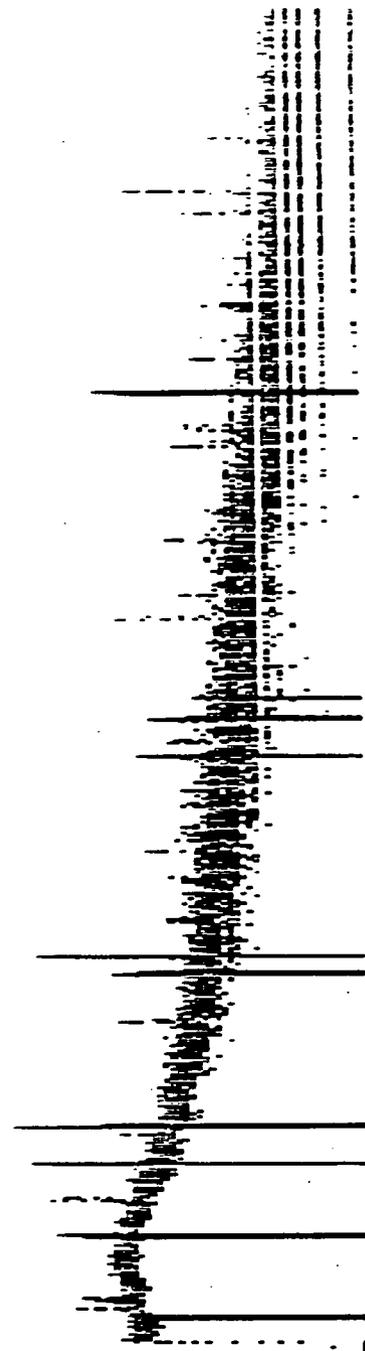
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FIGURE 4.9 (B)
 TYPICAL GAMMA SPECTRA
 SHOWING REGION OF INTEREST

FUNCTION KEY	
F1 MORE	F2 IDENT
F3 STORE	F4 LOAD
F5 STOP	F6 USER
F7 CTRD	F8 FWHM
F9 DUS	F10 MAIN



ENERGY: 1460.76 KEV COUNTS: 00000201X ROI #1: ON ROI #2: OFF
 PK #: 10 CTRD: 1460.95 KEV FWHM: 1.81785 KEV GROSS: 000001896 NET: 000001421
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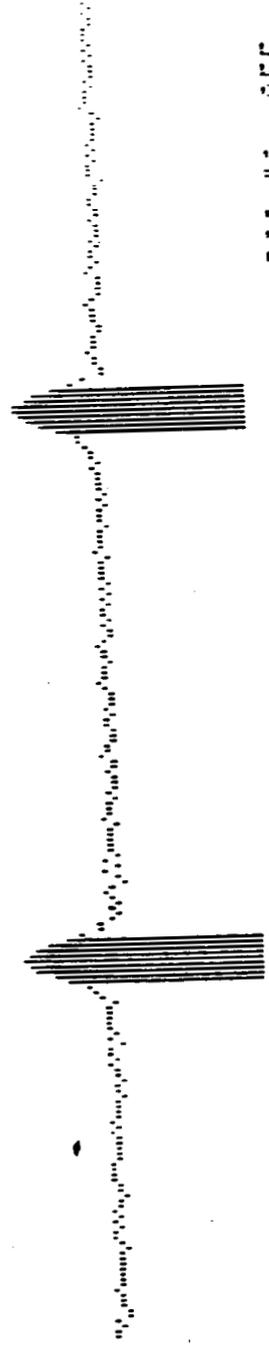
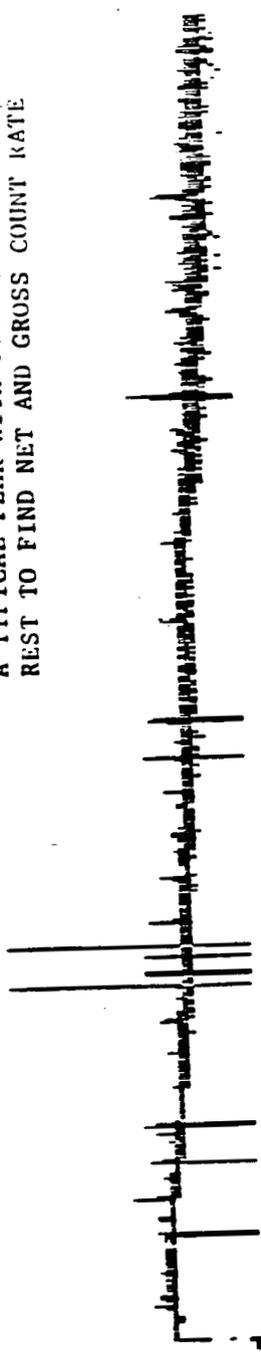
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FUNCTION KEY

F1	NORE	F2	IDENT
F3	STORE	F4	LOAD
F5	NOISE	F6	USER
F7	CTRD	F8	FWHM
F9	DOS	F10	MAIN

FIGURE 4.10

REGION OF INTEREST IN THE GAMMA SPECTRA
 A TYPICAL PEAK WITH ITS REGION OF INTEREST TO FIND NET AND GROSS COUNT RATE



ENERGY: 609.704 KEV COUNTS: 00000711* ROI #1: ON ROI #2: OFF
 PK #: 05 CTRD: 609.222 KEV FWHM: 1.15102 KEV GROSS: 000005707 NET: 000004222
 TIME LIVE PRESET: 028800 ELAPSED: 086400 REMAINING: 028800 SECONDS

be measured to ± 1 KeV. Relative numbers of counts in the photopeak were calculated by obtaining net photopeak areas. By comparison of energies with nuclear data tables⁽¹⁰⁾ and relative net counts with standard data such as the NBS standard soil data and with tabular values, it was possible to confirm assignments.

The identification of the specific peaks used for the analysis of each radionuclide in the study was essentially unambiguous. These peaks are listed in Table 4.1 below.

Table 4.1
Photopeaks Used For Measurement

Radionuclide	Peak Energy (keV)
226 _{Ra}	185.755
226 _{Ra}	294.909
226 _{Ra}	351.566
226 _{Ra}	608.930
238 _U	63.34
238 _U	766.28
238 _U	1001.04
232 _{Th}	582.749
232 _{Th}	910.653
232 _{Th}	968.39
40 _K	1460.21

To determine the activity of the isotopes listed above, one needs to find the absolute intensity of a particular gamma energy. This requires the determination of the net area under the peak, and this is not as straight

forward as assignment of energy. Because the area under the peak includes contributions from other gamma rays, many methods have been developed to determine this area.

One simple method (which was described in Section 3.4) to estimate the area (Gross) under the peak by simple integration between the limits set at the shoulder of the peak (adding the counts from all the channels in the region of the peak) and subtract a "base background" which is the background plus the Compton continuum. This is shown in Figure 4.11.

In the PCA-8000 Personal Computer Analyzer a more advanced algorithm is used to calculate the net area of the peak. This is the method used to calculate the net area in the peaks for quantitative analysis of the building materials. The net area of the peak is determined by averaging the beginning Region of Interest (ROI) channel contents and three previous channels and drawing a straight line from there to the average of the ending ROI channel contents and the three following channels. All counts above that line are considered to be the net area. It is believed that this technique would give a better estimate of the net counts in the peak area than the simple integration technique. The pertinent areas used are shown in Figure 4.11.

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FIGURE 4.11 DETERMINATION OF NET AREA UNDER A PHOTOPEAK

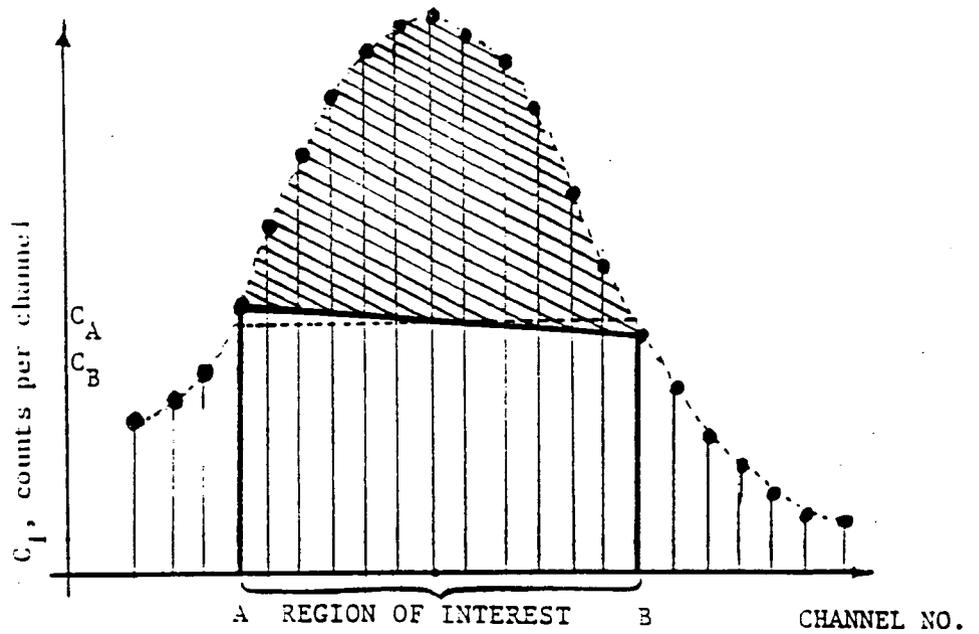


FIGURE 4.11 (a) SIMPLE INTEGRATION TECHNIQUE

$$\text{Net peak area} = \sum_A^B C_i - (B - A + 1) \left(\frac{C_A + C_B}{2} \right)$$

Ave. of counts
in 4 channels

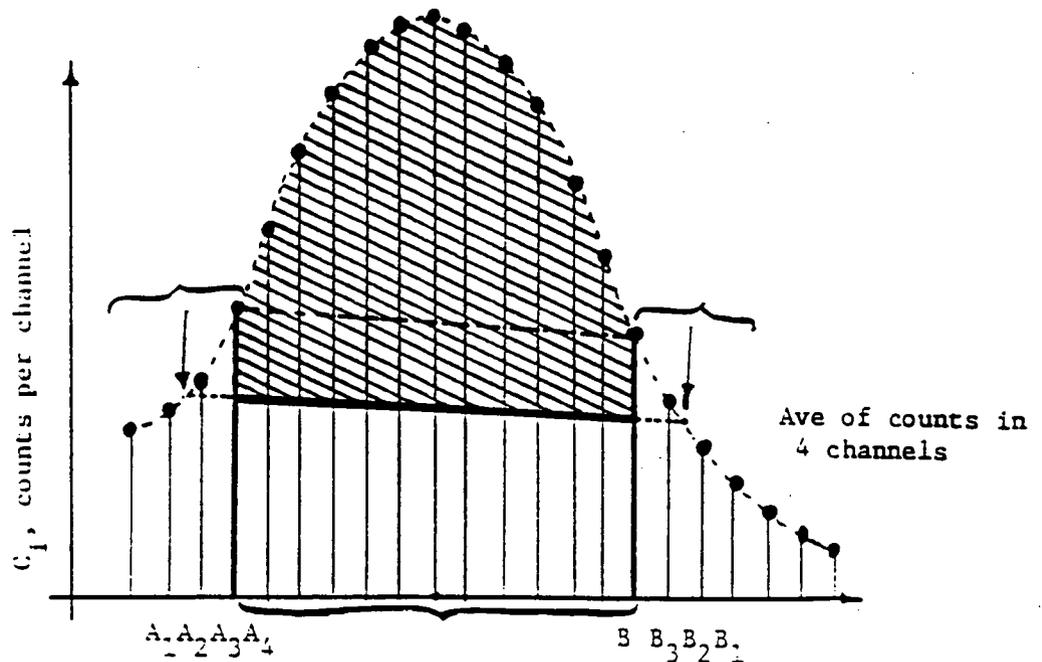


FIGURE 4.11 (b) TECHNIQUE USED BY PCA-8000

$$\text{Net peak area} = \sum_A^B C_i - (B - A + 1) \left(\frac{C_A + C_B}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{where: } C_A = (C_{A1} + C_{A2} + C_{A3} + C_{A4}) / 4$$

$$C_B = (C_{B1} + C_{B2} + C_{B3} + C_{B4}) / 4$$

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SECTION 5 - Description of the Project

The primary objective of this project was to measure the level of naturally occurring radionuclides in concrete fill materials from major suppliers in the greater Cincinnati area.

A low radioactive background whole-body counting facility is being constructed by the Westinghouse Materials Company of Ohio (WMCO) at the Fernald Feed Materials Production Center (FMPC). In order to achieve this low radioactive background, the concrete material that is used to construct the facility must not only provide good shielding, but must contain as little as possible of the naturally occurring radionuclides: uranium 238, thorium 232, radium 226 and potassium 40. Concrete consists of sand, gravel and cement. These naturally occurring radionuclides are present in each of these constituents.

Dr. Boyd Ringo, Professor of Civil Engineering, was contacted to provide information on the local concrete suppliers. Dr. Ringo is a nationally recognized expert on concrete. Discussions with Dr. Ringo led to the identification of five concrete materials suppliers in the greater Cincinnati area. The basis of the selection was: quality of the product, reliability and dependability of the vendor and past experience with these vendor. The five companies selected by the University of Cincinnati evaluation were:

Harrison Ready Mix

Ernst Enterprises, Inc.

Plainville Concrete

Roth Ready Mix Concrete Co.

Hilltop Concrete

The contract allowed for the selection of six supplier. Westinghouse was allowed a "wild card": any other concrete supplier of their choice. Mr. Bill

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Hays requested evaluation of:

Miami Valley Ready Mixed Concrete

Samples of sand, gravel, cement and water were collected from each of these prospective vendors. The samples were properly marked and prepared for measurement as described in Section 4 of the report. All samples were weighed carefully after drying and sealed in the sample containers. Sealed sample containers were stored for 21 days prior to measurement to allow for ingrowth of radioactive daughter products.

A gamma spectrometry system was used to measure the naturally occurring radionuclides in the concrete fill materials. The system is described in considerable detail in Section 4. The focus of the system is a new 41% efficient intrinsic Germanium detector in a well shielded facility. A personal computer software package was purchased to assist in searching for gamma photopeaks and correcting for decay. Both NBS and EPA standard samples were used to energy calibrate and efficiency calibrate the system. This procedure was also previously described in this report.

In order to insure reasonable statistical variations, all samples were measured for eight hours. The sample data runs proceeded over a three week period during which the gamma spectrometry system was periodically checked for quality control and quality assurance.

A picture of the system is shown in Figure 4.1(a). Figure 4.1(b) is a schematic diagram of the gamma spectrometry system. Figure 4.1(a) shows the detector inside the shield cave in the upper right hand corner. The personal computer supporting the system is shown in the foreground. Figures 4.3 and 4.4 (in Section 4) show the shielding configuration and the sample can and detector arrangement.

SECTION 6 - Literature Review

A literature search was conducted to determine previous work which has been done in the measurement of naturally occurring radionuclides in building materials. The literature search was also useful to help to determine the anticipated results.

The results of the literature search indicated that very few studies have been conducted on this topic. Many of the studies that were performed were used to predict Radon gas emanation rates from building materials. Very little relevant work has been done using high efficiency Germanium detectors. Only a handful of articles were found. The most useful articles found were:

- (1) J. Ingersoll, "A Survey of Radionuclide Contents and Radon Emanation Rates in Building Materials Used in the U.S.", Health Physics, Vol. 45, No. 2, Aug. 83.
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- (9) H. Wollenberg, et. al., "Portland Cement for a Low-Background Counting Facility", Univ. of California, UCRL-10475, 1962.

These articles all pertain to the quantities of the naturally occurring radionuclides in earth and building materials. Relative to this initial contract, the information on concrete materials was condensed and summarized in Table 6.1 below. The data were taken by many different systems, in different countries over a 25 year time period.

Table 6.1

Summary of Results from the Literature Search
For Natural Radionuclides in Concrete Materials

Constituent Material	²³⁸ U	²³² Th	²²⁶ Ra	⁴⁰ K
	pCi/g min-max	pCi/g min-max	pCi/g min-max	pCi/g min-max
cement	0.21-3.5	0.3-1.2	0.21-3.9	1.0-9.7
sand	0.15-4.5	0.10-2.8	0.15-2.7	0.7-8.5
gravel	.25-1.75	0.10-2.5	0.10-1.8	1.0-10.2
water*	.01-1.5	no data	no data	no data

*pCi/liter

The values obtained from this study are within the range of values obtained.

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- (5) HASL-300, "EML Procedure Manual", Environmental Measurement Laboratory, U.S. Dept. of Energy, 26th Edition, PPD-07-01.
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Appendix A

Typical Data Sheets Obtained From Sample Measurements

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Pa-233, Th-232, Th-230, and K-40 Activity in Concrete PVT Material's
 Westinghouse Material Industry Project

Sample Name: Fabricated Ready Mix, Ineval Sample 14
 Sample Weight: 302.05 grams
 Date Collected: 3/13/97
 Date Sealed: 3/20/97
 Data File Name: #101A.1
 Date Counted: 5/07/97
 Counting Time: 10000 sec.
 Sample Geometry: Aluminum Can, Size 337-997Y000
 Region: Full
 Detector: Intrinsic Germanium Coaxial Detector, PVT Model 160 4021, P Type
 Analyzer: MCA/ISM PC, Nucleus PCA-8000 and ISM Personal Computer

Nuclide	Energy Expected [keV]	Energy Meas. [keV]	S Gross Integral Source [cts]	s Net Integral Source [cts]	b/t Bkg Count Rate [cpm]	r [s/t-b/t] Count Rate [cpm]	R = s/g Source Count Rate/gram [cpm/g]
Pa-233	185.755	185.704	182	181	1.7000E-01	1.3352E-01	1.0010E-03
	184.800	185.184	138	77	3.3270E-00	1.3141E-00	3.7041E-03
	171.855	151.919	1773	1000	3.1042E-02	1.3340E-00	3.1755E-03
	302.100	309.421	1033	331	1.3145E-01	1.7581E-00	5.3351E-03
La-233	83.34	83.6906	337	71	3.6009E-02	1.7241E-00	3.2621E-05
	1001.104	1000.94	18	3	1.3347E-02	#0	#0
Th-230	582.749	583.073	164	166	1.3503E-01	4.2163E-01	1.1670E-03
	310.850	311.54	308	148	1.0366E-01	1.3045E-01	3.1045E-04
	389.39	389.900	161	16	3.0434E-00	1.7300E-01	3.4600E-04
K-40	1460.10	1461.13	1945	1007	1.3710E-00	1.0170E-00	7.1605E-01

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R'	R/R'	Standard pci/g per cpm/g	Sample Activity per gram [pci/g]	SD Sample Activity +-[%]	Sample Activity per gram [Bq/g]	LLD [pci/g]	Nuclide
1.4778E-03	0.00	2.5978E+02	0.24217	20.29	1.27E-02	0.00	Pa-235
1.3254E-02	0.09	2.7328E+01	0.11049	3.05	1.53E-02	0.00	
2.3373E-02	0.05	1.9701E+01	0.4095E	1.52	1.50E-02	0.00	
1.3937E-02	0.05	2.7547E+01	0.1152E	3.62	1.54E-02	0.00	
			Avg 0.39439				
9.9831E-03	0.01	2.5745E+03	0.14043	407.52	3.10E-03	1.09	U-238
2.0893E-03	MD	1.2779E-04	MD	MD	MD		
			Avg 0.14048				
1.5858E-03	0.09	1.1110E+02	0.15302	12.13	6.02E-03	0.07	Th-232
3.2520E-03	0.07	2.0226E-02	0.10209	24.37	4.52E-03	0.10	
5.0218E-03	0.11	1.7023E+00	0.02325	24.26	7.52E-03	0.15	
			Avg 0.13225				
3.7284E-02	0.10	1.1710E-02	0.02108	5.43	1.07E-01	0.09	Ac-210

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Pa-226, U-233, Th-232, and K-40 Activity in Concrete and Materials
Westinghouse Material Company Project

Sample Name: Harrison Ready Mix, Cement Sample 1A
 Sample Weight: 209.15 grams
 Date Collected: 4/07/87
 Date Sealed: 4/08/87
 Data File Name: H401A.1
 Date Counted: 5/11/87
 Counting Time: 23800 sec.
 Sample Geometry: Aluminum Can, Size 307-307X302
 Region: Full
 Detector: Intrinsic Germanium Coaxial Detector, PGT Model 130 4001, P Type
 Analyzer: MCA/IBM PC, Nucleus PCA-3000 and IBM Personal Computer

Nuclide	Energy Expected [keV]	Energy Meas. [keV]	S Gross Integral Source [cts]	s Net Integral Source [cts]	b/t Bkg Count Rate [cpm]	r [s/t-b/t] Count Rate [cpm]	R = r/g Source Count Rate/g [cpm/g]
Pa-226	105.755	105.711	1000	302	1.7008E-01	1.0000E-00	7.1000E-03
	104.908	105.100	3400	1662	5.3670E-02	5.4775E-00	2.0004E-02
	351.556	351.000	3343	1434	2.1046E-02	3.1455E+00	3.3046E-02
	503.60	503.035	1703	2259	1.0145E-01	5.7956E-00	2.4034E-02
U-233	53.34	53.2039	301	118	9.9009E-02	1.5582E-01	3.5576E-01
	1001.04	1001.33	39	28	1.3847E-02	1.4486E-02	1.0502E-01
Th-232	582.749	583.282	770	134	1.3503E-01	3.7320E-01	3.6517E-02
	210.653	211.305	515	253	1.0989E-01	4.3003E-01	1.0215E-02
	269.33	268.924	339	159	5.2434E-02	2.5673E-01	1.1193E-02
K-40	1460.01	1461.13	1030	1764	1.0710E-00	2.4040E-00	1.0502E-02

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R ² Standard Count Rate/gram [cpm/g]	R/R ²	Standard pcf/g per cpm/g	Sample Activity per gram [pcf/g]	SD Sample Activity --(%)	Sample Activity per gram [Bq/g]	LLD [pcf/g]	Nuclide
1.47000E-03	1.53	2.59780E-03	1.34686	3.55	5.30E-02	0.09	Th-232
1.0001E-02	1.70	2.50000E-03	2.00000	3.92	7.43E-02	0.09	
2.00730E-02	1.84	4.97210E-03	1.00162	3.15	7.01E-02	0.09	
1.43070E-02	1.52	2.75470E-03	1.07929	3.74	5.95E-02	0.09	
			Avg	1.50906			
9.9931E-03	0.07	2.67450E-03	1.75333	57.45	3.49E-02	0.07	U-232
2.0093E-03	0.09	1.07790E-04	2.07721	77.21	3.90E-02	0.07	
			Avg	2.06552			
1.59590E-02	0.22	1.11100E-02	2.40570	3.24	1.50E-02	0.11	Th-232
3.25930E-03	0.00	2.00000E-03	2.07050	13.09	1.07E-02	0.07	
5.00100E-03	0.00	3.70000E-02	2.41515	13.85	1.54E-02	0.09	
			Avg	2.09710			
5.07010E-02	0.00	5.17400E-02	5.00197	5.45	1.00E-01	0.00	U-235

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Re-208, Th-232, Th-230, and K-40 Activity in Concrete PVT Materials
Westinghouse Material Company Project

Sample Name: Hilltop Basic Resources Concrete, Sand Sample 11
 Sample Weight: 354.89 grams
 Date Collected: 3/13/87
 Date Sealed: 3/26/87
 Data File Name: H151A.1
 Date Counted: 5/27/87
 Counting Time: 10000 sec.
 Sample Geometry: Aluminum Can, Size 307-307X200
 Region: Full
 Detector: Intrinsic Germanium Coaxial Detector, PGT Model 130 4021, P Type
 Analyzer: MCA/IBM PC, Nucleus PCA-8000 and IBM Personal Computer

Nuclide	Energy Expected [keV]	Energy Meas. [keV]	S Gross Integral Source [cts]	s Net Integral Source [cts]	b/t Bkg Counts Rate [cpm]	r [s/t-b/t] Count Rate [cpm]	R = r/g Source Count Rate/gram [cpm/g]
Re-208	135.755	135.397	397	100	1.0000E-01	1.5000E-01	1.2698E-03
	234.909	235.117	1014	702	5.3270E-02	1.5608E-02	4.0330E-03
	351.555	351.397	1304	1335	3.1049E-02	1.5923E-02	7.5853E-03
	502.00	500.397	1251	391	1.0149E-01	1.5743E-02	4.7192E-03
P-32	59.34	59.2755	530	34	3.3009E-02	1.0692E-01	3.0101E-04
	1001.04	1000.57	71	16	1.3847E-02	1.3436E-02	5.4908E-05
Th-232	582.749	583.309	587	353	1.3503E-01	3.3036E-01	1.5917E-03
	810.653	811.333	337	229	1.0989E-01	3.3722E-01	1.0347E-03
	959.39	959.03	330	146	3.0434E-02	2.1173E-01	5.3115E-04
K-40	1460.21	1461.17	2399	2375	1.0710E-02	1.0041E-02	1.0100E-02

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R' Standard Count Rate/gram [cpm/g]	R/R'	Standard pci/g per cpm/g	Sample Activity per gram [pci/g]	SD Sample Activity +-[%]	Sample Activity per gram [cpm/g]	LD [pci/g]	Nuclide
1.4706E-03	1.03	1.5379E+02	0.32251	19.74	1.32E-02	0.21	Pa-233
1.7054E-03	1.33	2.7635E+01	0.22554	9.36	1.43E-02	0.09	
1.3373E-03	1.32	1.6701E+01	0.27700	1.56	1.40E-02	0.09	
1.4327E-03	1.21	1.7547E+01	0.36596	6.92	1.35E-02	0.07	
			Avg	0.36450			
3.9831E-03	0.03	2.5745E+03	0.80505	67.94	1.33E-02	1.80	U-238
1.2393E-03	0.03	1.2779E+04	0.79159	35.23	1.30E-02	3.12	
			Avg	0.75337			
1.5353E-02	0.10	1.1110E+02	0.18795	10.59	5.95E-03	0.07	Th-232
1.0592E-02	0.11	1.0222E+02	0.20930	14.21	1.74E-03	0.10	
1.0012E-02	0.14	1.7000E+02	0.05354	19.16	3.08E-03	0.15	
			Avg	0.21593			
1.7791E-02	0.12	5.1743E+02	5.27034	4.10	1.32E-01	0.01	Ac-210

Appendix B

Technical Specifications
for Multichannel Analyzer

Memory

8192 channel acquisition memory. (Optional 1024, 2048, and 4096 channel).

Capacity

$2^{24} - 1$, (16,777,215) maximum counts per channel.

Time Base

1 MHz crystal controlled. Preset live and real acquisition time selectable to 999,999 seconds maximum.

Memory Group

Selectable in binary increments 256 channel to 8192 maximum.

ADC

8192 channel, 100 MHz clock frequency Wilkinson type. (Optional 1024, 2048, 4096 channel available). 0 to +8 volts unipolar or positive leading.

Conversion Gain

Selectable from 256 to 8192 channels in binary increments.

Digital Offset

Selectable in 256 channel blocks to 7936 channels.

Linearity

Integral: + 0.1% over top 98% of range
Differential: + 1% over top 98% of range

Temperature Stability

Gain: $\pm 0.01\%/C$
Zero Level: $\pm 0.01\%/C$

Lower Level Discriminator

15-turn screwdriver adjustment (rear panel)
Range: 0.5 to 105%

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Upper Level Discriminator

15-turn screwdriver adjustment (rear panel)
Range: 0.5 to 105%

Zero Level

15-turn screwdriver adjustment (rear panel)
Range: -4 to +8%

Input Polarity

Positive or positive leading bipolar.

Inputs

ADC: 0 to 8.2V nominal, positive pulse
GATE: TTL low gates off ADC
BUSY: TTL low gates off live timer
MCS: TTL positive pulse
MCS DWELL: TTL negative pulse
EXT. SYNC.: TTL positive pulse starts MCS pass

Outputs

ROI: TTL pulse for x-ray mapping (Optional)
SCA: TTL pulse

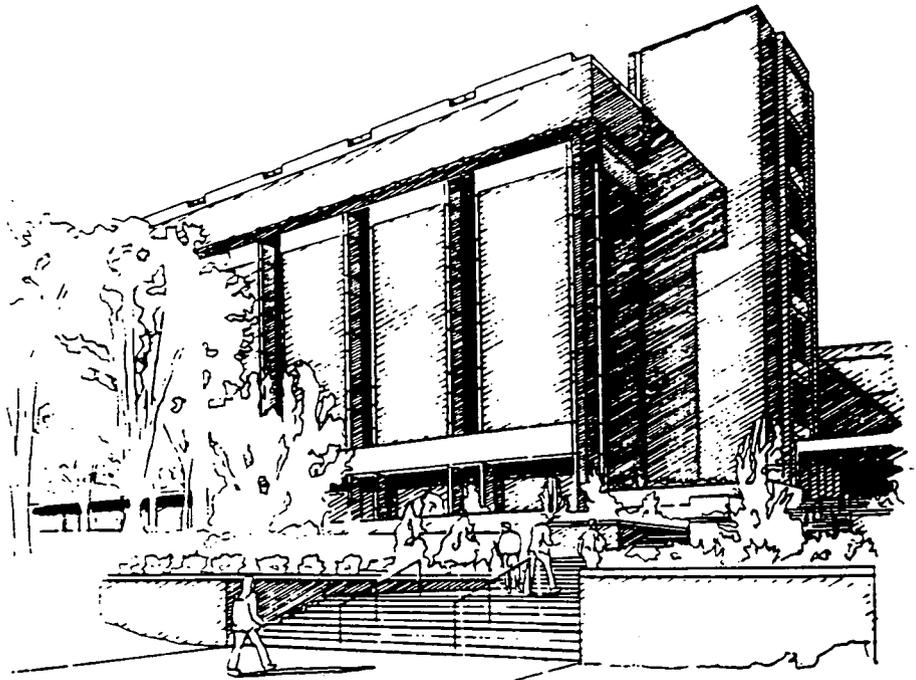
Power Requirements

+5V, 1.2 A.
+12V 65 Ma.
-12V 65 Ma.

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Use Reference

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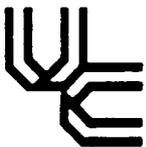
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REMARKS

This is the second volume of a two-volume report on gamma spectroscopy analysis of radionuclide concentration in construction materials used for the In-Vivo Monitoring Facility at the Feed Materials Production Center (FMPC).

Volume 1 contains descriptions of the technical aspects of sample analysis, as well as figures, tables and a summary of the results.

Volume 2 is devoted entirely to final results of all the samples processed. Results for each sample are listed clearly and separately. These results, with comments of page 103, should be self-explanatory. A complete list of all samples, as well as a complete table of MDA values, is also provided.

It must be emphasized that most samples were analyzed in a somewhat accelerated manner, so as to meet deadlines set by WMCO. A copy of the results of sample analysis was sent to WMCO upon completion of such analysis. This manner allowed the construction of the whole-body counting facility to proceed without any delay caused by us. The revised version of the results are represented here in a new format. Some inconsistency has, however, existed in the manner in which the results were previously represented. For record-keeping purposes, it should be emphasized that these results are to be considered final and complete.

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List of L_D and MDA Values
List of Samples
Results of Sample Analysis

Table B : Limits of Detection and
Minimum Detectable Activities

Energy, KeV	L_D , Counts/10 hrs	MDA, pCi/g
92.8	67	.013
186.2	83	.009
238.6	77	.009
352.0	77	.010
583.1	45	.008
609.3	50	.009
911.2	35	.008
1460.6	58	.019

Table C : Complete List of the Samples
(Gamma Spectroscopy Analysis)

SAMPLE ID NUMBER	DATE RECEIVED BY U. C.	WMCO SAMPLE ID	UC FILE NAME	DATE COUNTED	RESULTS TO WMCO
1	10/23/87	COPPER C001	C001.100	11/07/87	11/24/87
2	10/23/87	COPPER C002	C002.100	11/09/87	11/24/87
3	10/23/87	COPPER C003	C003.100	11/10/87	11/24/87
4	10/23/87	COPPER C004	C004.100	11/11/87	11/24/87
5	10/23/87	COPPER C005	C005.100	11/12/87	11/24/87
6	10/23/87	COPPER C006	C006.100	11/12/87	11/24/87
7	10/23/87	STEEL W006	W006.100	11/15/87	11/24/87
8	10/23/87	STEEL W009	W009.100	11/16/87	11/24/87
9	11/02/87	STEEL 62472	S62472.SPM	11/24/87	12/17/87
10	11/02/87	STEEL 62658	S62658.SPM	11/25/87	12/17/87
11	11/02/87	STEEL 63200	S63200.SPM	11/25/87	12/17/87
12	11/02/87	STEEL 63284	S63284.SPM	11/26/87	12/17/87
13	11/02/87	STEEL 63347	S63347.SPM	11/26/87	12/17/87
14	11/02/87	STEEL 60883	S60883.SPM	11/27/87	12/17/87
15	11/02/87	STEEL 63370	S63370.SPM	11/27/87	12/17/87
16	11/02/87	STEEL 62804	S62804.SPM	11/28/87	12/17/87
17	11/02/87	STEEL 62693	S62693.SPM	11/28/87	12/17/87
18	11/02/87	STEEL 63386	S63386.SPM	11/29/87	12/17/87
19	11/02/87	ALLMINUM 36915	AL36915.SPM	11/29/87	12/17/87
20	11/06/87	IRON REBAR3	REBAR3.SPM	11/19/87	11/20/87
21	11/06/87	IRON REBAR4	REBAR4.SPM	11/19/87	11/20/87
22	11/06/87	IRON REBAR5	REBAR5.SPM	11/18/87	11/20/87

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23	11/06/87	IRON REBAR6	REBAR6.SPM	11/20/87	11/20/87
24	11/06/87	SAND	SAND#1.SPM	11/21/87	11/25/87
25	11/06/87	CEMENT	CMT#1.SPM	11/21/87	11/25/87
26	11/06/87	AGGREGATE GRAVEL	GRAVEL.SPM	11/23/87	11/25/87
27	11/06/87	WATER	WATER1.SPM	11/23/87	11/25/87
28	11/20/87	RUBBER(#7-#11)	RBS2.SPM	11/24/87	11/25/87
29	11/20/87	RUBBER(#1-#6)	RBS1.SPM	11/24/87	11/25/87
30	11/20/87	PAPER FILTER	PAPER.SPM	11/22/87	11/25/87
31	11/20/87	SOIL #4353	NBSOIL.SPM	11/22/87	11/25/87
32	11/30/87	ANCHOR BOLT 4-1312	BOLT1312.SPM	12/02/87	12/17/87
33	11/30/87	LEVEL PLATE S/C284	STEEL.SPM	12/03/87	12/17/87
34	11/30/87	CONCRETE BRICK 4-310	CMT310.SPM	12/03/87	12/17/87
35	11/30/87	LEAD #1	LEAD#1.SPM	12/04/87	12/17/87
36	11/30/87	LEAD #2	LEAD#2.SPM	12/04/87	12/17/87
37	11/30/87	LEAD #3	LEAD#3.SPM	12/05/87	12/17/87
38	11/30/87	LEAD #4	LEAD#4.SPM	12/05/87	12/17/87
39	11/30/87	LEAD #5	LEAD#5.SPM	12/06/87	12/17/87
40	11/30/87	LEAD #6	LEAD#6.SPM	12/06/87	12/17/87
41	11/30/87	LEAD #7	LEAD#7.SPM	12/07/87	12/17/87
42	11/30/87	LEAD #8	LEAD#8.SPM	12/07/87	12/17/87
43	11/30/87	CADMIUM #1	CD#1.SPM	12/08/87	12/17/87
44	11/30/87	CADMIUM #2	CD#2.SPM	12/09/87	12/17/87
45	11/30/87	CADMIUM #3	CD#3.SPM	12/09/87	12/17/87
46	11/30/87	CADMIUM #4	CD#4.SPM	12/10/87	12/17/87

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47	11/30/87	CADMIUM #5	CD#5.SPM	12/10/87	12/17/87
48	11/30/87	CADMIUM #6	CD#6.SPM	12/11/87	12/17/87
49	11/30/87	CADMIUM #7	CD#7.SPM	12/11/87	12/17/87
50	11/30/87	CADMIUM #8	CD#8.SPM	12/12/87	12/17/87
51	12/10/87	RUBBER 85296(SC284)	R296.SPM	12/13/87	12/17/87
52	12/10/87	RUBBER 100835(SC284)	R835.SPM	12/14/87	12/17/87
53	12/10/87	IRON PIPE(SC284)	SC284.SPM	12/14/87	12/17/87
54	12/10/87	SAND(SC284)	SA284.SPM	12/15/87	12/17/87
55	12/31/87	WELD JOINT 4-310AC	4-310AC.SPM	1/03/88	1/07/88
56	12/31/87	WALL TIES 4-310PR	4-310PR.SPM	1/04/88	1/07/88
57	12/31/87	RADON BARRIER 83394	RN-83394.SPM	1/05/88	1/07/88
58	12/31/87	RADON BARRIER 85262	RN-85262.SPM	1/06/88	1/07/88
59	1/12/88	THREADED ROD	THREADED.SPM	1/13/88	1/27/88
60	1/12/88	IRON PIPE(SC40)	SC40PIPE.SPM	1/14/88	1/27/88
61	1/12/88	SAND(SC284)	SAND#1.SPM	1/16/88	1/27/88
62	1/12/88	SAND(SC284)	SAND#2.SPM	1/16/88	1/27/88
63	1/12/88	SAND(SC284)	SAND#3.SPM	1/17/88	(SPARE)
64	1/19/88	HOT SAND(SC284)	HSAND#1.SPM	1/22/88	2/02/88
65	1/19/88	HOT SAND(SC284)	HSAND#2.SPM	1/23/88	2/02/88
66	1/19/88	HOT SAND(SC284)	HSAND#3.SPM	1/23/88	2/02/88
67	1/19/88	HOT SAND(SC284)	HSAND#4.SPM	1/24/88	2/02/88
68	1/19/88	HOT SAND(SC284)	HSAND#5.SPM	1/24/88	SPARE
69	1/19/88	STEEL PIPE(1 in.)	PLIND.SPM	1/25/88	2/04/88
70	1/19/88	STEEL PIPE(3 in.) (thick)	P3IND#1.SPM	1/26/88	2/04/88

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71	1/19/88	STEEL PIPE(3 in.)	P3IND#2.SPM	1/27/88	2/04/88
72	1/19/88	STEEL PIPE(2 in.)	P2IND.SPM	1/27/88	2/08/88
73	1/19/88	STEEL PIPE(2.5 in.)	P25IND.SPM	1/28/88	2/08/88
74	1/29/88	RADON BARRIER 84832	R84832.SPM	1/30/88	2/08/88
75	1/29/88	THREADED ROD 85329	T85329.SPM	2/01/88	2/08/88
76	1/29/88	RUBBER SEAL 38060A	RS38060A.SPM	1/31/88	2/08/88
77	1/29/88	ALUMINIUM WALL 38060	AL38060.SPM	2/03/88	2/08/88
78	1/29/88	AL CHANNEL(2") 38056	A38056.SPM	2/02/88	2/08/88
79	1/29/88	AL CHAN(3/4") 38056A	A38056A.SPM	2/03/88	2/08/88
80	2/11/88	2" EMT CONDUIT	EMT2CON.SPM	2/13/88	2/19/88
81	2/11/88	1" EMT CONDUIT	EMT1CON.SPM	2/13/88	2/19/88
82	2/11/88	1/2" FLEX CONDUIT	FLX05CON.SPM	2/14/88	2/19/88
83	2/11/88	3/4" EMT CONDUIT	EMT34CON.SPM	2/14/88	2/19/88
84	2/11/88	3/4" FLEX CONDUIT	FLX34CON.SPM	2/15/88	2/19/88
85	2/11/88	WELDING ROD	WELROD.SPM	2/15/88	2/19/88
86	2/18/88	1.5" EMT CONDUIT	EMTCON12.SPM	2/22/88	2/29/88
87	2/18/88	2x2x3/8" ANGLE	ANG2212.SPM	2/22/88	2/29/88
88	2/18/88	3x3x1/4" ANGLE (MECH. P. T.)	ANG33ML2.SPM	2/23/88	2/29/88
89	2/18/88	3x3x1/4" ANGLE (FOYER ROOF)	ANG33F12.SPM	2/24/88	2/29/88
90	2/18/88	4x4x1/4" ANGLE	ANG4412.SPM	2/24/88	2/29/88
91	2/18/88	1x1/4"LID SUPPORT	LIDSUP12.SPM	2/25/88	2/29/88
92	2/18/88	1x1/8" STRAP	STRAP12.SPM	2/25/88	2/29/88
93	3/04/88	CEMENT W01028	W01028.CE1	3/05/88	3/07/88

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94	3/04/88	SAND W01028	W01028.SA1	3/06/88	3/07/88
95	3/04/88	GRAVEL W01028	W01028.GR1	3/06/88	3/07/88
96	3/04/88	WATER W01028	W01028.WT1	3/07/88	3/14/88
97	3/07/88	GUTTER	GUTTER.GU1	3/08/88	3/14/88
98	3/07/88	BASE PLATE	BASEPL.BP1	3/09/88	3/14/88
99	3/07/88	GIRT FRAME	GIRIFR.GF1	3/09/88	3/14/88
100	3/07/88	PARAPIT WALL	PARAPITW.FW1	3/10/88	3/14/88
101	3/07/88	STEEL STRAP	STEELST.SS1	3/11/88	3/14/88
102	3/09/88	CEMENT LOT3	LOT3.CE1	3/10/88	3/14/88
103	3/09/88	POLY TUBE 2205	2205PT.PT1	3/12/88	3/14/88
104	3/09/88	3/8" Cu TUBE 2205	2205C.CT1	3/11/88	3/14/88
105	3/31/87	E. E. CEMENT	EECEMENT.CE3	3/12/88	3/14/88
106	4/07/87	M. V. CEMENT	MVCEMENT.CE3	3/13/88	3/14/88
107	3/16/88	CAST IRON PIPE	CAST6IP.IP1	3/18/88	3/23/88
108	3/16/88	WIRE MESH 2.9"	WMESH29.WM1	3/20/88	3/23/88
109	3/16/88	WIRE MESH 1.4"	WMESH14.WM1	3/21/88	3/23/88
110	3/18/88	COPLAY CEMENT	COPCEM.CE1	3/19/88	3/21/88
111	3/18/88	DUNDEE CEMENT	DUNCEM.DC1	3/19/88	3/21/88
112	3/18/88	CLAKSVILLE CEMENT	CLKCEM.CC1	3/20/88	3/21/88
113	3/18/88	CONCRETE WALL1	CONWALL.CW1	3/22/88	3/23/88
114	3/18/88	CONCRETE WALL2	CONWALL.CW2	3/23/88	3/28/88
115	3/18/88	N2 PAD CONCRETE	CON2PAD.CNP	3/23/88	3/28/88
116	3/18/88	DRAIN CONCRETE	CONDRAIN.CD1	3/24/88	3/28/88
117	3/21/88	READY MIX HAR3000	HAR3000.RM1	3/21/88	3/23/88

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118	3/21/88	READY MIX HAR4000	HAR4000.FM1	3/22/88	3/23/88
119	4/15/88	METAL STUDS & TRACK	MSTRACK.MS1	4/17/88	4/22/88
120	4/15/88	METAL STUDS & TRACK	MSTRACK.MS2	4/18/88	4/22/88
121	4/15/88	METAL STUDS & TRACK	MSTRACK.MS3	4/20/88	4/22/88
122	4/15/88	METAL STUDS & TRACK	MSTRACK.MS4	4/20/88	4/22/88
123	4/15/88	METAL STUDS & TRACK	MSTRACK.MS5	4/21/88	4/22/88
124	4/15/88	DUCT SHEET METAL	DUCTSH.DS1	4/16/88	4/22/88
125	4/15/88	DUCT SHEET METAL	DUCTSH.DS2	4/16/88	4/22/88
126	4/15/88	6" REBAR	6INREBAR.6RB	4/17/88	4/22/88
127	4/15/88	DRY WALL	DRYWALL.DW1	4/18/88	4/22/88
128	4/15/88	CONCRETE/SOUTH	CONSOUTH.CS	4/19/88	4/22/88
129	4/15/88	CONCRETE/NORTH	CONNORTH.CN1	4/19/88	4/22/88
130	4/27/88	1" PIPE	1INPIPE.427	4/27/88	5/06/88
131	4/27/88	5/4" PIPE	54INPIPE.428	4/28/88	5/06/88
132	4/27/88	T-FITT(LARGE)	LTFITT.429	4/29/88	5/06/88
133	4/27/88	T-FITT(SMALL)	STFITT.430	4/30/88	5/06/88
134	4/27/88	AL CABLE TRAY	ALTRAY1.430	4/30/88	5/06/88
135	4/27/88	AL CABLE TRAY	ALTRAY2.501	5/01/88	5/06/88
136	4/27/88	2" PIPE	2INPIPE.501	5/01/88	5/06/88
137	4/27/88	5/2" PIPE	52INPIPE.502	5/02/88	5/06/88
138	4/27/88	4" PIPE	4INPIPE.DAT	5/03/88	5/06/88
139	4/27/88	3" PIPE	3INPIPE.DAT	5/04/88	5/06/88
140	6/21/88	VINYL WALL COV.	VINYLWC.01A	6/22/88	6/30/88
141	6/21/88	FLOOR TILE	FTILE.01A	6/23/88	6/30/88
142	6/21/88	BASE TILE	BTILE.01A	6/23/88	6/30/88

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143	6/21/88	3/4" DRY WALL	34DRYW.D1A	6/25/88	7/07/88
144	6/21/88	1/2"MR DRY WALL	12DRYW.D1A	6/26/88	7/07/88
145	6/21/88	1/2"VINYL COVER D. W.	12VCDRYW.D1A	6/27/88	7/07/88
146	6/21/88	1 3/4"AL STUD	134ALDS.D1A	6/27/88	7/07/88
147	6/21/88	AL DEM.TRACK	ALDT.D1A	6/28/88	7/07/88
148	6/21/88	AL DEM.SPACER	ALDS.D1A	6/28/88	7/07/88
149	6/21/88	3/4"AL CONDUIT	34ALCON.D1A	6/30/88	7/07/88
150	6/21/88	112"MR DRY WALL	12MRDRYW.C1B	6/30/88	7/04/88
151	6/21/88	"	12MRDRYW.C2B	7/01/88	7/04/88
152	7/25/88	RUBBER COVER	RCB4.D1A	7/25/88	8/01/88
153	7/25/88	CARPET	CARP1.D1A	7/26/88	8/01/88

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RESULTS OF SAMPLE ANALYSISCOMMENTS

1. U-238: It is assumed that U-238 and Th-234 are in secular equilibrium.
2. RA-226: It is assumed that Ra-226 is in secular equilibrium with Pb-214 and Bi-214. Reported activity of Ra-226 is obtained by averaging activities of Pb-214 and Bi-214.
3. Th-232: It is assumed that Th-232 and Ac-228 are in secular equilibrium.
4. Th-228: It is assumed that Th-228 is in secular equilibrium with Pb-212 and Tl-208. Reported activity of Th-228 is obtained by averaging activities of Pb-212 and Tl-208.
5. ND: When sample's net count rate is zero, or activity is less than 0.0005 pCi/g, "ND" is recorded, indicating that the radioactivity was "not detectable."
6. MDA(X): An "X" in the MDA column indicates that activity is less than or equal to the "Minimum Detectable Activity."
7. C.D./
Al Can: "Circular Disk"/"Aluminum Can" geometry.

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: C001 (Copper)	U-238	0.024	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.016	
MASS: 91 g	Th-232	0.034	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.003	X
DATE: 11/07/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: C001.100			
ID: C002 (Copper)	U-238	0.023	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.010	X
MASS: 91 g	Th-232	0.001	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 11/09/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: C002.100			
ID: C003 (Copper)	U-238	0.004	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.016	X
MASS: 91 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.004	X
DATE: 11/10/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: C003.100			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: C004 (Copper)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.022	X
MASS: 91 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.003	X
DATE: 11/11/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: C004.100			
ID: C005 (Copper)	U-238	0.045	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.022	
MASS: 91 g	Th-232	0.005	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 11/12/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: C005.100			
ID: C006 (Copper)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.021	X
MASS: 91 g	Th-232	0.008	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.005	X
DATE: 11/12/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: C006.100			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: W006 (Steel)	U-238	0.004	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 379 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 11/15/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: W006.100			
ID: W009 (Steel)	U-238	0.002	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 370 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 11/16/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: W009.100			
ID: 62472 (Steel)	U-238	0.001	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 194.8 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 11/24/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: S62472.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: 62658 (Steel)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.002	X
MASS: 163.0 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 11/25/87	K-40	0.013	X
FILE: S62658.SPM			

ID: 63200 (Steel)	U-238	0.001	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 313.9 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 11/25/87	K-40	0.001	X
FILE: S63200.SPM			

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ID: 63248 (Steel)	U-238	0.001	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 319.9 g	Th-232	0.001	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 11/25/87	K-40	0.004	X
FILE: S63248.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: 63347 (Steel)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.003	X
MASS: 123.7 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 11/26/87	K-40	0.014	X
FILE: S63347.SPM			
ID: 60883 (Steel)	U-238	0.004	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.002	X
MASS: 73.8 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 11/27/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: S60883.SPM			
ID: 63370 (Steel)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.002	X
MASS: 119.2 g	Th-232	0.003	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 11/27/87	K-40	0.014	X
FILE: S63370.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: 62804 (Steel)	U-238	0.005	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 49 g	Th-232	0.010	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 11/28/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: S62804.SPM			
ID: 62693 (Steel)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.002	X
MASS: 63.5 g	Th-232	0.005	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 11/28/87	K-40	0.014	X
FILE: S62693.SPM			
ID: 63386 (Steel)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.005	X
MASS: 40.4 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.003	X
DATE: 11/29/87	K-40	0.004	X
FILE: S63386.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: 36915 (Steel)	U-238	0.003	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.005	X
MASS: 47.5 g	Th-232	0.007	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 11/29/87	K-40	0.031	X
FILE: AL36915.SPM			
ID: J7-277-3 REBAR	U-238	0.002	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.006	X
MASS: 87.3 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 11/19/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: REBAR3.SPM			
ID: C6-5822-4 REBAR	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.006	X
MASS: 92.3 g	Th-232	0.007	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 11/19/87	K-40	0.004	X
FILE: REBAR4.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: K8-0077-5 REBAR	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.007	X
MASS: 81.1 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 11/18/87	K-40	0.046	X
FILE: REBAR5.SPM			
ID: K8-0043-6 REBAR	U-238	0.002	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.008	X
MASS: 76.8 g	Th-232	0.007	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 11/20/87	K-40	0.022	X
FILE: REBAR6.SPM			
ID: 110587-S3 (Sand)	U-238	0.524	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.492	
MASS: 351.5 g	Th-232	0.199	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.175	
DATE: 11/21/87	K-40	8.040	
FILE: SS1.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY,	
		pCi/g	MDA
ID: 110587-C4 (Cement)	U-238	1.946	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	2.167	
MASS: 262.8 g	Th-232	0.429	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.482	
DATE: 11/21/87	K-40	5.349	
FILE: CS1.SPM			
ID: 119587-A2 (Gravel)	U-238	0.252	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.404	
MASS: 295.7 g	Th-232	0.229	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.240	
DATE: 11/23/87	K-40	4.727	
FILE: GS1.SPM			
ID: 110587-W1 (Water)	U-238	0.267	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.322	
MASS: 0.55 l (dried)	Th-232	0.255 *	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.255	
DATE: 11/23/87	K-40	2.373	
FILE: WATER1.SPM	Cs-137	0.344	

* Estimated

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: S1C284 ST	U-238	ND *	X
GEOMETRY: (Level Plate)	Ra-226	0.006*	X
MASS: N.A.	Th-232	ND *	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001*	X
DATE: 12/03/87	K-40	0.010*	X
FILE: STEEL.SPM			
		* cps	
ID: 4-310 (Cement Mix)	U-238	0.464	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.448	
MASS: 263.8 g	Th-232	0.240	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.221	
DATE: 12/03/87	K-40	6.231	
FILE: CMT310.SPM			
ID: PB #1 (Lead)	U-238	0.001	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 136.5 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 12/04/87	K-40	0.035	X
FILE: LEAD#1.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: PB#2 (Lead)	U-238	0.001	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 135.4 g	Th-232	0.001	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 12/04/87	K-40	0.008	X
FILE: LEAD#2.SPM			
ID: PB#3 (Lead)	U-238	0.003	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 136.7 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 12/05/87	K-40	0.007	X
FILE: LEAD#3.SPM			
ID: PB #4 (Lead)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 134.2 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 12/05/87	K-40	0.005	X
FILE: LEAD#4.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: PB#5 (Lead)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 136.8 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 12/06/87	K-40	0.003	X
FILE: LEAD#5.SPM			
ID: PB#6 (Lead)	U-238	0.001	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 137.1 g	Th-232	0.001	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 12/06/87	K-40	0.045	X
FILE: LEAD#6.SPM			
ID: PB#7 (Lead)	U-238	0.002	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 135.4 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 12/07/87	K-40	0.008	X
FILE: LEAD#7.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: PB#8 (Lead)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 134.2 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 12/07/87	K-40	0.003	X
FILE: LEAD#8.SPM			
ID: CD#1 (Cadmium)	U-238	0.021	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.003	X
MASS: 48.5 g	Th-232	0.003	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 12/08/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: CD#1.SPM			
ID: CD#2 (Cadmium)	U-238	0.036	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.006	X
MASS: 47.2 g	Th-232	0.004	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 12/09/87	K-40	0.013	X
FILE: CD#2.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: CD#3 (Cadmium)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.005	X
MASS: 48.8 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 12/09/87	K-40	0.060	X
FILE: CD#3.SPM			
ID: CD#4 (Cadmium)	U-238	0.006	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 47.4 g	Th-232	0.005	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 12/10/87	K-40	0.093	
FILE: CD#4.SPM			
ID: CD#5 (Cadmium)	U-238	0.003	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.007	X
MASS: 48.6 g	Th-232	0.003	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 12/10/87	K-40	0.071	
FILE: CD#5.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: CD#6 (Cadmium)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 49.2 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 12/11/87	K-40	0.007	X
FILE: CD#6.SPM			
ID: CD#7 (Cadmium)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.006	X
MASS: 48.0 g	Th-232	0.006	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 12/11/87	K-40	0.063	
FILE: CD#7.SPM			
ID: CD#8 (Cadmium)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 46.1 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 12/12/87	K-40	ND	X
FILE: CD#8.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: 85296RB (Rubber)	U-238	ND	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.058	
MASS: 4.3 g	Th-232	ND	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.012	
DATE: 12/13/87	K-40	0.630	
FILE: R296.SPM			
ID: 100835RB (Rubber)	U-238	ND	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.083	
MASS: 4.7 g	Th-232	0.072	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.032	
DATE: 12/13/87	K-40	0.427	
FILE: R835.SPM			
ID: SC284 (Iron Pipe)	U-238	0.012	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 83.8 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 12/14/87	K-40	0.022	
FILE: SC284.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: SA284 (Sand)	U-238	0.335	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.465	
MASS: 321.8 g	Th-232	0.187	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.215	
DATE: 12/16/87	K-40	7.630	
FILE: SA284.SPM			
ID: 4.310 ACC (Weld Joints)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.004	X
MASS: 61.2 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 01/03/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 4-310AC.SPM			
ID: 4.310 PR (Wall Ties)	U-238	0.014	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 65.8 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 01/04/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 4-310PR.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: 83394 (Rn Barrier)	U-238	0.013	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.031	
MASS: 38.0 g	Th-232	0.016	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.015	
DATE: 01/05/88	K-40	0.111	
FILE: RN-83394.SPM			
ID: 85262 (Rn Barrier)	U-238	ND	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.018	
MASS: 38.5 g	Th-232	0.034	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.013	
DATE: 01/06/88	K-40	0.133	
FILE: RN-85262.SPM			
ID: Threaded Rod	U-238	0.007	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 69.5 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 01/13/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: THREADED.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: SC40 (Pipe)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.023	X
MASS: 101.0 g	Th-232	0.001	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.003	X
DATE: 01/14/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: SC40PIPE.SPM			

ID: SC284-1 (Sand)	U-238	0.404	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.405	
MASS: 389.4 g	Th-232	0.164	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.162	
DATE: 01/16/88	K-40	4.575	
FILE: SAND#1.SPM			

ID: SC284-2 (Sand)	U-238	0.410	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.437	
MASS: 375.9 g	Th-232	0.093	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.143	
DATE: 01/16/88	K-40	4.323	
FILE: SAND#2.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: H.SAND GEOMETRY: Al Can MASS: 363.7 g COUNTING TIME: 10 hr DATE: 01/22/88 FILE: HSAND#1.SPM	U-238 Ra-226 Th-232 Th-228 K-40	0.380 0.426 0.176 0.186 6.577	
ID: H.SAND GEOMETRY: Al Can MASS: 352.4 g COUNTING TIME: 10 hr DATE: 01/23/88 FILE: HSAND#2.SPM	U-238 Ra-226 Th-232 Th-228 K-40	0.530 0.437 0.176 0.190 6.254	
ID: H.SAND GEOMETRY: Al Can MASS: 341.8 g COUNTING TIME: 10 hr DATE: 01/23/88 FILE: HSAND#3.SPM	U-238 Ra-226 Th-232 Th-228 K-40	0.384 0.413 0.105 0.191 6.031	

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: H.SAND	U-238	0.256	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.447	
MASS: 365.1 g	Th-232	0.168	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.206	
DATE: 01/24/88	K-40	6.306	
FILE: HSAND#4.SPM			
ID: H.SAND	U-238	0.388	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.428	
MASS: N.A.	Th-232	0.155	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.193	
DATE: N.A.	K-40	6.292	
FILE: HSAND.AVG			
ID: PIPE (1")	U-238	0.002	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.002	X
MASS: 135.0 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 01/26/88	K-40	0.011	X
FILE: P1IND.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: PIPE (3" Thick)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 164.6 g	Th-232	0.002	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 01/27/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: P3IND#1.SPM			
ID: PIPE (3" Thin)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 32.6 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 01/27/88	K-40	0.053	
FILE: P3IND#2.SPM			
ID: PIPE (2")	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 98.8 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 01/28/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: P2IND.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: PIPE (2.5")	U-238	0.001	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 114.4 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 01/28/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: P25IND.SPM			
ID: R84832 (Rn Barrier)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.006	X
MASS: 26.1 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.006	X
DATE: 01/31/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: R84832.SPM			
ID: T85329 (Threaded Rod)	U-238	0.011	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.004	X
MASS: 118.0 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 02/02/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: T85329.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: RS38060A (Rubber Seal)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 14.3 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 02/01/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: RS38060A.SPM			
ID: AL38060 (Al Wall)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.010	X
MASS: 25.7 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 02/04/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: AL38060.SPM			
ID: A308056 (Al Channels 2")	U-238	0.029	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.041	
MASS: 12.9 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 02/03/88	K-40	0.319	
FILE: A38056.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: A308056A (Al Channel, 3/4")	U-238	0.011	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.006	X
MASS: 20.0 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 02/04/88	K-40	0.048	X
FILE: A38056A.SPM			
ID: EMTCOND (2")	U-238	0.002	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 89.2 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 02/13/88	K-40	0.019	X
FILE: EMT2CON.SPM			
ID: EMTCOND (1")	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 76.2 g	Th-232	0.001	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 02/13/88	K-40	0.013	X
FILE: EMT1CON.SPM			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: FLXCIBD (0.5")	U-238	0.001	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.002	X
MASS: 42.4 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 02/14/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: FLX05CON.SPM			
ID: EMTCOND (3/4")	U-238	0.004	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.003	X
MASS: 64.3 g	Th-232	0.001	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 02/14/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: EMT34CON.SPM			
ID: FLXCOND (3/4")	U-238	0.021	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.011	
MASS: 44.5 g	Th-232	0.005	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.004	X
DATE: 02/15/88	K-40	0.030	X
FILE: FLX34CON.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: WELD ROD	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.009	X
MASS: 48.5 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 02/15/88	K-40	0.526	
FILE: WELROD.SPM			
ID: EMTCOND (1.5")	U-238	0.008	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 96.1 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 02/22/88	K-40	0.006	X
FILE: EMTCON12.SPM			
ID: ANG2212 (Mech Pt.)	U-238	0.002	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 190.1 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 02/23/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: ANG2212.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: ANG33M12 (Mech Pl/Rail)	U-238	0.001	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.002	X
MASS: 64.3 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 02/24/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: ANG33M12.SPM			
ID: ANG33F12 (Foyer Support)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 150.4 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 02/24/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: ANG33F12.SPM			
ID: ANG4412 (Mech Pt.)	U-238	0.001	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 144.6 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 02/25/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: ANG4412.SPM			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: LIDSUP12 (Lid Support)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 160.0 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 02/26/88	K-40	0.012	X
FILE: LIDSUP12.SPM			
ID: STRAP 12	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.002	X
MASS: 69.2 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 02/26/88	K-40	0.007	X
FILE: STRAP12.SPM			
ID: W01028 (Cement)	U-238	2.044	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	2.231	
MASS: 250.02 g	Th-232	0.376	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.440	
DATE: 03/06/88	K-40	4.867	
FILE: W01028.CE1			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: W01028 (Sand)	U-238	0.502	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.345	
MASS: 326.2 g	Th-232	0.150	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.178	
DATE: 03/06/88	K-40	6.750	
FILE: W01028.SA1			
ID: W01028 (Gravel)	U-238	0.180	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.347	
MASS: 361.9 g	Th-232	0.087	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.107	
DATE: 03/07/88	K-40	2.135	
FILE: W01028.GR1			
ID: W01028 (Water)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: (1 liter)	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 03/08/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: W01028.WA2			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: GUTTER	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 25.8 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 03/09/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: GUTTER.GU1			
ID: BASE PLATE	U-238	0.012	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 41.3 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 03/09/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: BASEPL.BP1			
ID: GIRT FRAMING	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 70.5 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 03/10/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: GIRTFR.GF1			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: PARAPIT WALL	U-238	0.017	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 13.5 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 03/11/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: PARAPITW.PW1			

ID: STEEL STRAP	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.002	X
MASS: 23.9 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 03/11/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: STEELST.SS1			

ID: LOT3 (Cement)	U-238	1.964	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	2.190	
MASS: 277.0 g	Th-232	0.361	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.429	
DATE: 03/10/88	K-40	5.603	
FILE: LOT3.CE1			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: COPPER TUBE 3/8"	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 22.2 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 03/12/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 2205C.CT1			
ID: POLYTUBE	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.028	X
MASS: 3.3 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.026	X
DATE: 03/12/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 2205P.PT1			
ID: E.E. CEMENT	U-238	0.682	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.646	
MASS: 229.7 g	Th-232	0.392	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.481	
DATE: 03/13/88	K-40	7.271	
FILE: EECEMENT.CE3			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: M.V. CEMENT	U-238	1.658	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	2.188	
MASS: 252.9 g	Th-232	0.325	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.362	
DATE: 03/13/88	K-40	5.268	
FILE: MVMCEMENT.CE3			
ID: IRON PIPE 6"	U-238	21.049 *	
GEOMETRY: N.A.	Ra-226	7.453 *	
MASS: N.A.	Th-232	2.953 *	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	3.421 *	
DATE: 03/18/88	K-40	20.178 *	
FILE: 6CASTIP.IP1			
			* pCi/Sample
ID: WIRE MESH (2.9")	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 50.4 g	Th-232	0.004	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 03/21/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: WMESH29.WM1			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: WIRE MESH (1.4")	U-238	0.027	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 37.9 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 03/22/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: WMESH14.WM1			
ID: COPLAY CEMENT	U-238	1.940	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	2.140	
MASS: 253.3 g	Th-232	0.353	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.475	
DATE: 03/19/88	K-40	6.072	
FILE: COPCEM.CE1			
ID: DUNDEE CEMENT	U-238	1.832	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	1.735	
MASS: 235.4 g	Th-232	0.436	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.498	
DATE: 03/20/88	K-40	6.571	
FILE: DUNCCEM.DC1			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: CLARKSVILLE CEMENT GEOMETRY: Al Can MASS: 287.7 g COUNTING TIME: 10 hr DATE: 03/20/88 FILE: CLKCEM.CC1	U-238 Ra-226 Th-232 Th-228 K-40	0.632 0.803 0.371 0.388 4.958	
ID: CONCRETE WALL1 GEOMETRY: Al Can MASS: 259.0 g COUNTING TIME: 10 hr DATE: 03/23/88 FILE: CONWALL.CW1	U-238 Ra-226 Th-232 Th-228 K-40	0.637 0.349 0.253 0.200 4.964	
ID: CONCRETE WALL2 GEOMETRY: Al Can MASS: 288.0 g COUNTING TIME: 10 hr DATE: 03/23/88 FILE: CONWALL.CW2	U-238 Ra-226 Th-232 Th-228 K-40	0.486 0.467 0.178 0.189 5.068	

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: CONCRETE N2 PAD	U-238	0.612	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.483	
MASS: 291.7 g	Th-232	0.160	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.175	
DATE: 03/24/88	K-40	5.354	
FILE: CON2PAD.CNP			
ID: CONCRETE DRAIN	U-238	0.814	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.462	
MASS: 276.6 g	Th-232	0.231	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.187	
DATE: 03/25/88	K-40	5.916	
FILE: CONDRAIN.CD1			
ID: HARRISON 3000 Psi (Concrete)	U-238	0.434	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.413	
MASS: 238.4 g	Th-232	0.220	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.253	
DATE: 03/22/88	K-40	6.632	
FILE: HAR3000.RM1			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: HARRISON 4000 Psi (Concrete)	U-238	0.702	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.484	
MASS: 264.3 g	Th-232	0.218	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.176	
DATE: 03/22/88	K-40	6.015	
FILE: HAR4000.RM1			
ID: METAL STUDS/TRACK	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.006	X
MASS: 28.1 g	Th-232	0.010	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 04/17/88	K-40	0.133	
FILE: MSTRACK.MS1			
ID: METAL STUDS/TRACK	U-238	0.028	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.009	X
MASS: 28.4 g	Th-232	0.004	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 04/18/88	K-40	0.126	
FILE: MSTRACK.MS2			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: METAL STUDS/TRACK	U-238	0.025	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 28.4 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 04/20/88	K-40	0.067	
FILE: MSTRACK.MS3			
ID: METAL STUDS/TRACK	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 28.3 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 04/21/88	K-40	0.085	
FILE: MSTRACK.MS4			
ID: METAL STUDS/TRACK	U-238	0.005	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.001	X
MASS: 29.7 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 04/22/88	K-40	0.069	
FILE: MSTRACK.MS5			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: DUCT SHEET	U-238	0.014	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 37.0 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 04/16/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: DUCTSH.DS1			
ID: DUCT SHEET	U-238	0.021	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.002	X
MASS: 35.7 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.004	X
DATE: 04/17/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: DUCTSH.DS2			
ID: REBAR (6")	U-238	0.019	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.003	X
MASS: 38.3 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 04/18/88	K-40	0.081	
FILE: 6INREBAR.6RB			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: DRYWALL	U-238	0.013	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.005	X
MASS: 36.3 g	Th-232	0.001	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.003	X
DATE: 04/19/88	K-40	0.195	
FILE: DRYWALL.DW1			
ID: CONCRETE SOUTH	U-238	0.472	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.415	
MASS: 280.3 g	Th-232	0.169	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.192	
DATE: 04/19/88	K-40	6.365	
FILE: CONSOUTH.CS1			
ID: CONCRETE NORTH	U-238	0.446	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.465	
MASS: 304.8 g	Th-232	0.091	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.159	
DATE: 04/20/88	K-40	5.138	
FILE: CONNORTH.CN1			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: 1" PIPE	U-238	27 *	X
GEOMETRY: (Tube)	Ra-226	77 *	X
MASS: 129.5 g	Th-232	ND *	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	52 *	X
DATE: 04/28/88	K-40	ND *	X
FILE: 1INPIPE.427			
		* Counts/10 hr	
ID: 5/4" PIPE	U-238	23 *	X
GEOMETRY: (Tube)	Ra-226	22 *	X
MASS: 181.4 g	Th-232	ND *	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	20 *	X
DATE: 04/29/88	K-40	ND *	X
FILE: 5/4INPIPE.428			
		* Counts/10 hr	
ID: T-FITTING (Large)	U-238	ND *	X
GEOMETRY: (L-Shaped Tube)	Ra-226	36 *	X
MASS: 428.6 g	Th-232	ND *	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND *	X
DATE: 04/30/88	K-40	ND *	X
FILE: LTFITT.429			
		* Counts/10 hr	

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: T-FITTING (Small)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 242.4 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 04/30/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: STFITT.430			
ID: ALUMINUM TRAY 1	U-238	0.089	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 16.7 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.002	X
DATE: 05/01/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: ALTRAY1.430			
ID: ALUMINUM TRAY 2	U-238	0.021	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 17.0 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.006	X
DATE: 05/01/88	K-40	0.079	
FILE: ALTRAY2.501			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: 2" TUBE	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: (Tube)	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 287.7 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 05/02/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 2INPIPE.501			
ID: 5/2" PIPE	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: (Tube)	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 435.1 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 05/03/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 5/2INPIPE.502			
ID: 4" PIPE	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 143.2 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 05/04/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 4INPIPE.DAT			

SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: 3" PIPE	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 124.4 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 05/05/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 3INPIPE.DAT			
ID: VINYL WALL COVER	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 6.0 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 06/22/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: VINYLWC.01C			
ID: FLOOR TILE	U-238	0.489	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.207	
MASS: 65.6 g	Th-232	0.139	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.037	
DATE: 06/23/88	K-40	1.662	
FILE: FTILE.01C			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: BASE TILE	U-238	0.478	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.170	
MASS: 61.8 g	Th-232	0.136	
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.090	
DATE: 06/23/88	K-40	1.654	
FILE: BTILE.0IC			
ID: 3/4" DRY WALL	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 50.8 g	Th-232	0.036	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.004	X
DATE: 06/25/88	K-40	0.018	X
FILE: 34DRYW.D1B			
ID: 1/2" DRY WALL (MR)	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 33.9 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 06/26/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 12MRDRYW.D1B			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: 1/2" DRY WALL	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.005	X
MASS: 34.9 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.001	X
DATE: 06/27/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 12VCDRYW.DIB			
ID: 1-3/4" AL STUD	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 20.7 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 06/28/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 134ALDS.DIB			
ID: AL TRACK	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 20.0 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 06/28/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: ALDT.DIB			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: AL SPACE	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 21.9 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 06/29/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: ALDS.DIB			
ID: 3/4" AL CONDUIT	U-238	ND	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 30.6 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	ND	X
DATE: 06/30/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: 34ALCON.D18			
ID: 1/2" MR DRYWALL	U-238	0.362	
GEOMETRY: Al Can	Ra-226	0.141	
MASS: 125.5 g	Th-232	0.047	
COUNTING TIME: 20 hr	Th-228	0.045	
DATE: 07/02/88	K-40	0.481	
FILE: 12MRDRYW.C2B			

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SAMPLE SPECIFICATIONS	RADIONUCLIDE	ACTIVITY, pCi/g	MDA
ID: RCB-4 BASE	U-238	0.081	
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	0.044	
MASS: 29.5 g	Th-232	0.094	
COUNTING TIME: 20 hr	Th-228	0.066	
DATE: 07/26/88	K-40	ND	
FILE: RCB4.DIA			

ID: CARPET-1	U-238	0.009	X
GEOMETRY: C.D.	Ra-226	ND	X
MASS: 6.7 g	Th-232	ND	X
COUNTING TIME: 10 hr	Th-228	0.004	X
DATE: 07/27/88	K-40	ND	X
FILE: CARP1.DIA			

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