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Station A Exhaust Air Monitoring at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant/ New Mexico conducted by NMED/DOE OB, July – December, 2009

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) DOE Oversight Bureau has compiled and assessed data collected from Station A for July through December, 2009. The accompanying data report shows results for selected analytes as determined by ALS / Paragon Analytical Services, with graphs indicating these results in nBq/m³ ± 2TPU (Total Propagated Uncertainty) and a Table of Analytical Laboratory Results.

For July through December, there were no detections for any of the analytes of concern exceeding the sample Minimum Detectable Concentration from Station A.

Response

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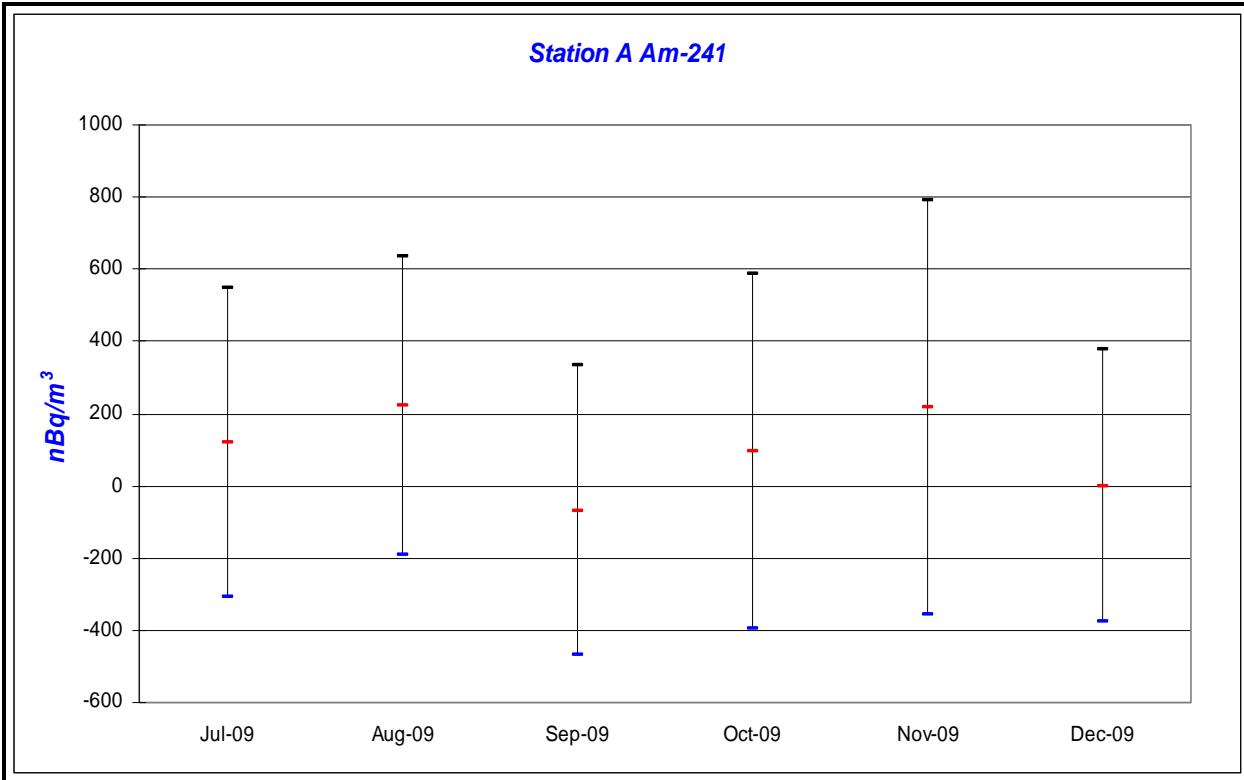
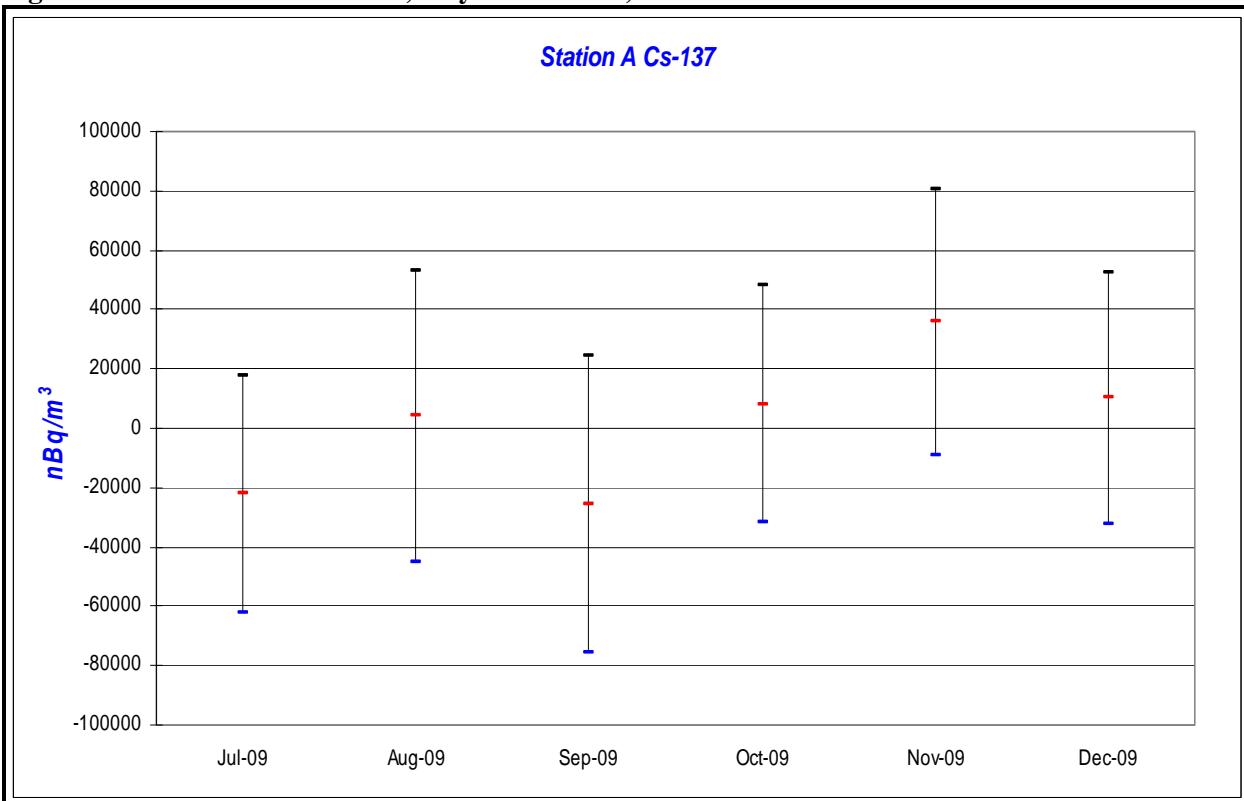


Figure 1: Am-241 from Station A, July - December, 2009.

Figure 2: Cs-137 from Station A, July - December, 2009.



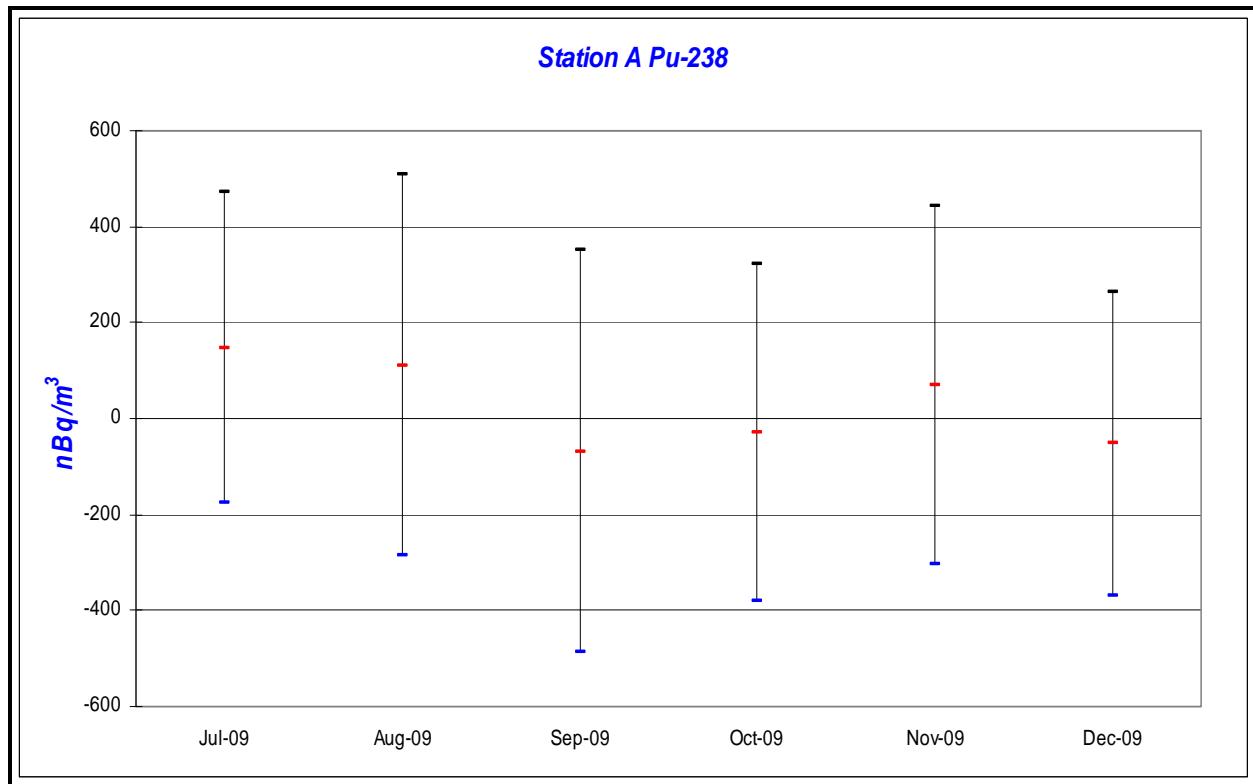


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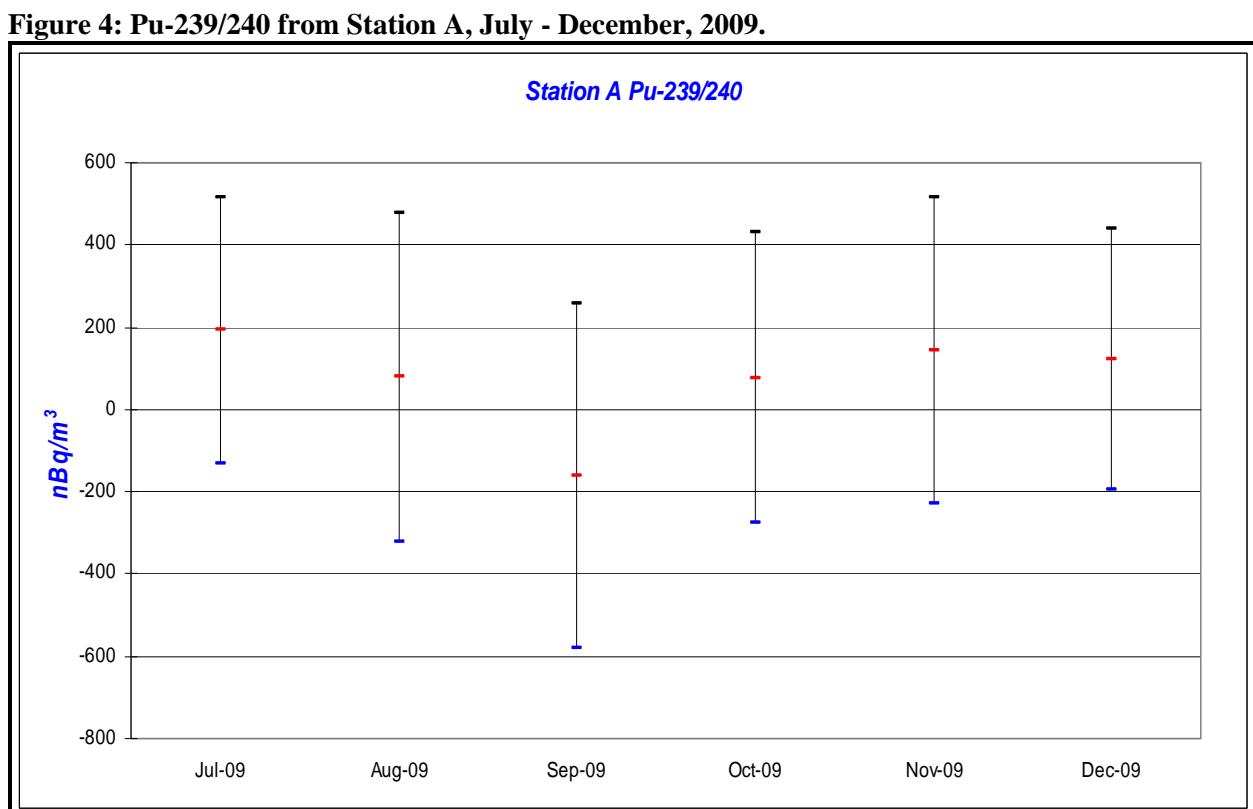


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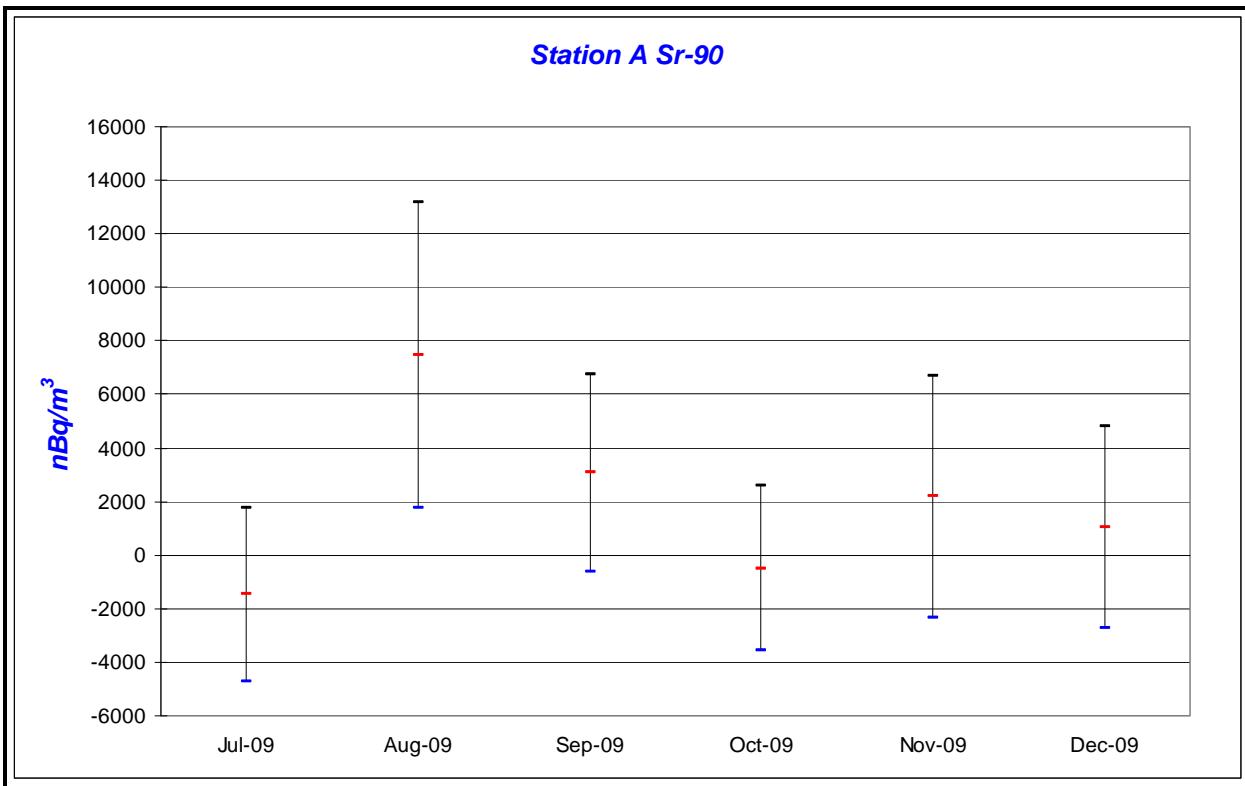
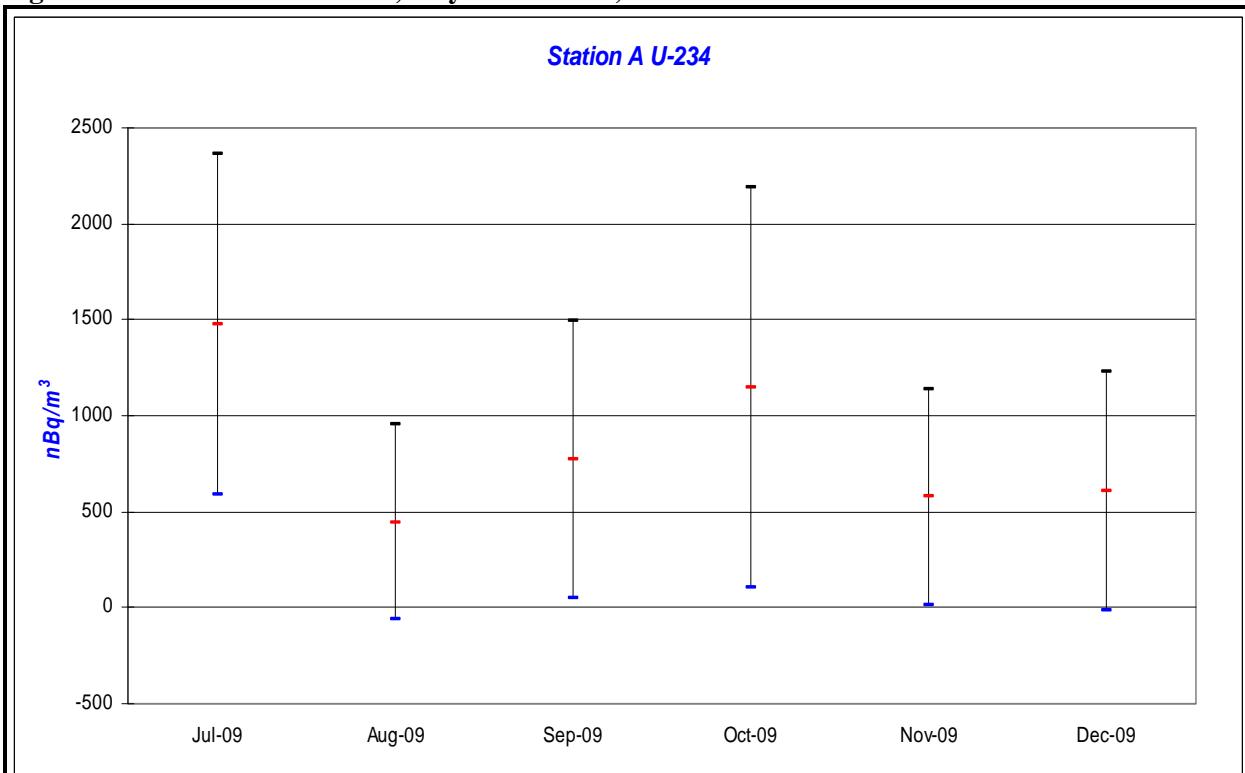


Figure 5: Sr-90 from Station A, July - December, 2009.

Figure 6: U-234 from Station A, July - December, 2009.



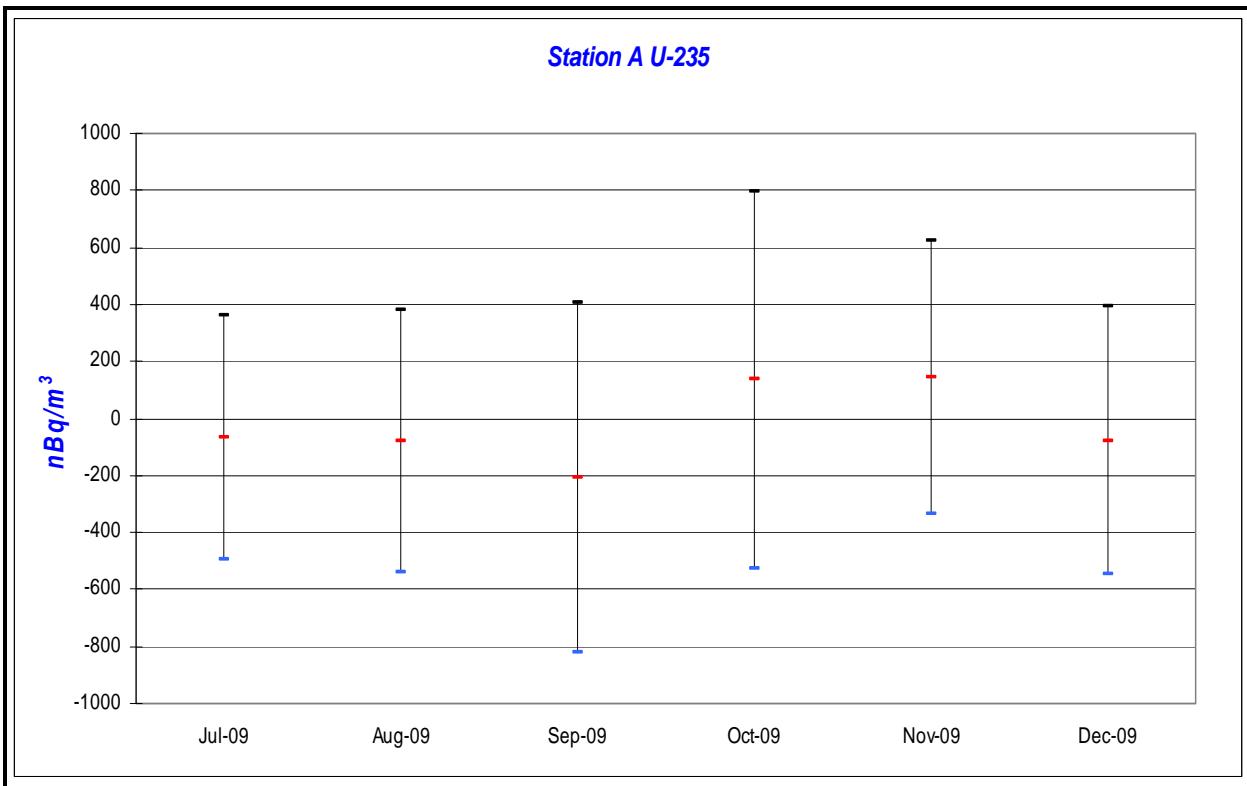


Figure 7: U-235 from Station A, July - December, 2009.

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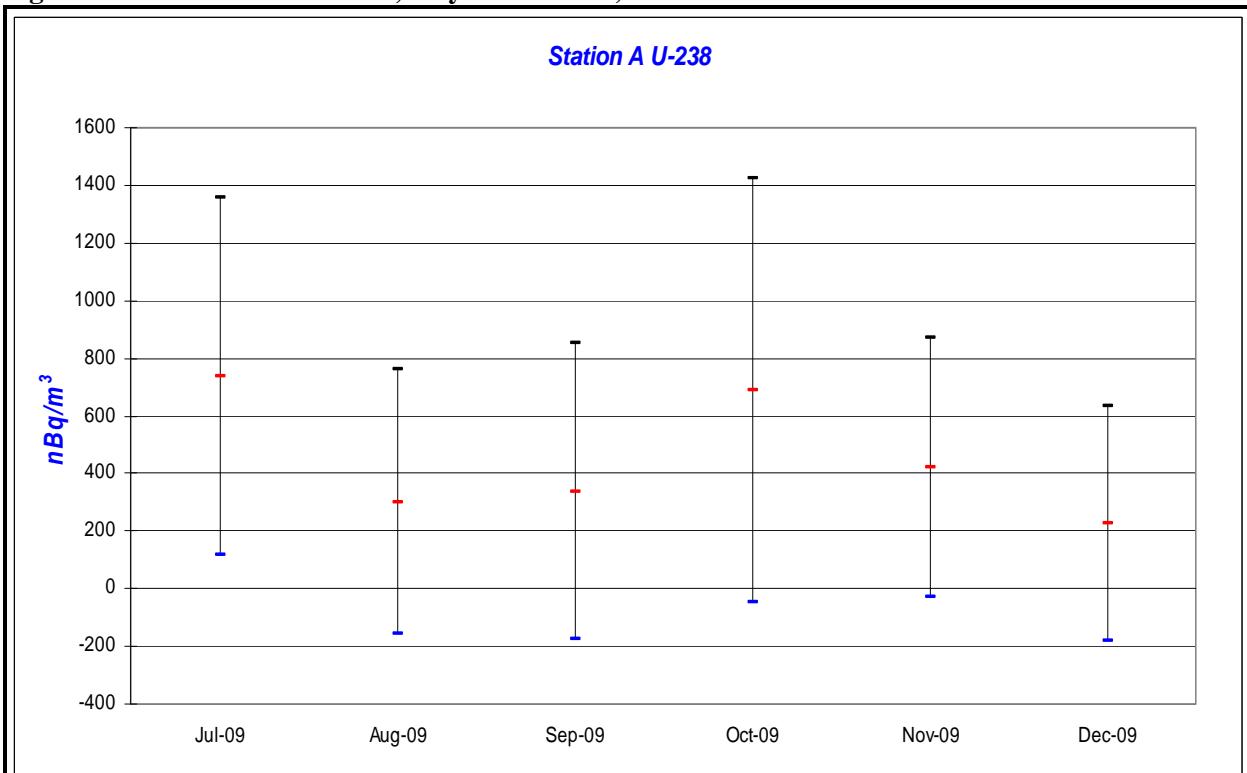


Table 1 – Laboratory Results for Selected Analytes from Station A, July-December, 2009.

Analyte	Month	Result (pCi/composite)	2TPU	MDA	Flag	Result (nBq/m ³)	2TPU
Am-241	Jul-09	0.008	0.029	0.022	U	118	428
	Aug-09	0.014	0.026	0.019	U	223	413
	Sep-09	-0.004	0.025	0.044	U	-68	403
	Oct-09	0.006	0.032	0.047	U	95	490
	Nov-09	0.014	0.037	0.065	U	217	575
	Dec-09	0.000	0.025	0.018	U	0	378
Cs-137	Jul-09	-1.500	2.700	4.700	U	-22148	39866
	Aug-09	0.250	3.100	4.300	U, M	3975	49294
	Sep-09	-1.600	3.100	5.300	U, M	-25777	49943
	Oct-09	0.530	2.600	4.400	U	8121	39839
	Nov-09	2.300	2.900	4.700	U	35720	45039
	Dec-09	0.680	2.800	4.800	U	10285	42351
Pu-238	Jul-09	0.0100	0.0220	0.0320	U	148	325
	Aug-09	0.0070	0.0250	0.0190	U	111	398
	Sep-09	-0.0040	0.0260	0.0450	U	-69	419
	Oct-09	-0.0020	0.0230	0.0330	U	-29	352
	Nov-09	0.0050	0.0240	0.0350	U	71	373
	Dec-09	-0.0040	0.0210	0.0370	U	-53	318
Pu-239/240	Jul-09	0.013	0.022	0.044	U	192	325
	Aug-09	0.005	0.025	0.037	U	78	398
	Sep-09	-0.010	0.026	0.045	U	-161	419
	Oct-09	0.010	0.026	0.045	U	77	352
	Nov-09	0.009	0.024	0.041	U	143	373
	Dec-09	0.008	0.021	0.037	U	123	318

Table 1 – Laboratory Results for Selected Analytes from Station A, July-December,2009.

Analyte	Month	Result (pCi/composite)	2TPU	MDA	Flag	Result (nBq/m³)	2TPU
Sr-90	Jul-09	-0.100	0.22	0.47	U	-1477	3248
	Aug-09	0.470	0.36	0.70	U	7474	5724
	Sep-09	0.190	0.23	0.46	U	3061	3705
	Oct-09	-0.032	0.20	0.44	U	-490	3065
	Nov-09	0.140	0.29	0.61	U	2174	4504
	Dec-09	0.068	0.25	0.52	U	1029	3781
U-234	Jul-09	0.100	0.060	0.067	LT	1477	886
	Aug-09	0.028	0.032	0.049	U	445	509
	Sep-09	0.048	0.045	0.056	U	773	725
	Oct-09	0.075	0.068	0.099	Y2, U	1149	1042
	Nov-09	0.037	0.036	0.051	U	575	559
	Dec-09	0.040	0.041	0.062	U	605	620
U-235	Jul-09	-0.005	0.029	0.050	U	-69	428
	Aug-09	-0.005	0.029	0.051	U	-78	461
	Sep-09	-0.013	0.038	0.082	U	-209	612
	Oct-09	0.009	0.043	0.024	Y2, U	135	659
	Nov-09	0.009	0.031	0.060	U	144	481
	Dec-09	-0.005	0.031	0.054	U	-79	469
U-238	Jul-09	0.050	0.042	0.056	U	738	620
	Aug-09	0.019	0.029	0.054	U	302	461
	Sep-09	0.021	0.032	0.056	U	338	516
	Oct-09	0.045	0.048	0.070	Y2, U	690	735
	Nov-09	0.027	0.029	0.038	U	144	481
	Dec-09	0.015	0.027	0.020	U	227	408

Definitions:**Qualifiers / Flags**

U – Result is less than the sample specific MDC.

LT – Results is less than Requested MDC, greater than sample specific MDC.

Y1 – Chemical yield is in control at 100 – 110%. Quantitative yield is assumed.

Y2 – Chemical yield outside default limits.

L – LCS recovery below lower control limit.

H – LCS recovery above upper control limit.

P – LCS recovery within control limits.

M – The requested MDC was not met.

M3 – The requested MDC was not met, but the reported activity is greater than the reported MDC.

Abbreviations:

TPU – Total Propagated Uncertainty

MDC – Minimum Detectable Concentration