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Drinking Water Sampling and Air Sampling Begins

Ohio EPA's Division of Drinking and Ground Waters began collecting drinking water samples from several locations beginning January 6, 2009. Drinking water samples representative of the sources of water at the residences of affected families, including two public water supplies (city of Clyde and Northern Ohio Rural Water), will be analyzed for nearly 200 organic, inorganic and radiological contaminants. The sampling locations include areas within the city of Clyde; Green Creek and York townships, Sandusky County; Adams Township, Seneca County and Margaretta Township, Erie County. A summary of the drinking water sample results will be provided once all of the analytical results have been validated by the laboratory and thoroughly reviewed by the Agency's technical staff.

The Division of Air Pollution Control has conducted additional inspections of area companies and has been observing the Clyde area for unknown air pollution sources for a year. Ohio EPA also recently obtained permission to place air monitoring equipment and collection canisters throughout the community. Air quality will be monitored upwind of Clyde, within Clyde and downwind of Clyde. The first monitors were set in place on January 13, 2009, and air sample collection began immediately.

This site will be updated as the interagency investigation of the high incidence of childhood cancer in the Clyde area continues.

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