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CLIENT: Monsanto Company
PROGRAM: Newswatch
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STATION: KPLR-TV
TIME: 9:00 p.m.
CITY: St. Louis

BILL REES: "Monsanto Chemical Company has given the Environmental Protection Agency new information about a chemical spill a month ago.

"Chemicals spilled in a train derailment at Sturgeon contained traces of a contaminant, dioxin. Soil tests confirm this.

"EPA scientists say that the new information is of concern but there's no cause for changing the cleanup procedures that are now underway.

"The contaminated soil is being put in sealed drums which will be buried at an approved hazardous waste material site.

"Dioxin is one of the most toxic chemicals known."

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STATION: KMOX Radio

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

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REPORTER: "The Environmental Protection Agency said today that trace quantities of the chemical, dioxin, was part of a group of chemicals spilled in a train derailment in Sturgeon, Missouri last month.

"The Monsanto Chemical Company informed the EPA early last week that dioxin, one of the most poisonous substances known to man, was contained in that shipment of chemical compounds that spilled in the January tenth derailment.

"Acting on the information, the EPA sent soil samples from the spill site to the University of Illinois at Champaign for testing.

"The tests revealed that the minute quantities of the toxin presents no threat to health. The EPA says cleanup procedures will continue as planned."