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Interview of: WAYNE MAGLEY

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- 1 INTERVIEW
- MR. TURPIN: My name is Ted Turpin. Today is July 17th,
- 3 2013, and we're near Oakley, Kansas, interviewing the engineer
- 4 from train MSIDV-15 in connection with an accident that occurred
- 5 at Hays, Kansas on July 16th, 2013. The NTSB accident number is
- 6 DCA-13-FR-008.
- 7 Do you understand that this interview is being recorded?
- 8 MR. MAGLEY: Yes.
- 9 MR. TURPIN: All right, thank you. Please state your
- 10 name and spell it.
- 11 MR. MAGLEY: Wayne Magley, W-a-y-n-e, M-a-g-l-e-y.
- MR. TURPIN: All right, thank you. And we'll go around
- 13 the room now and ask everybody to state their name and spell it.
- MR. WYKER: John Wyker, W-y-k-e-r, FRA inspector.
- 15 MR. ZAGATA: Zach Zagata, Z-a-g-a-t-a, FRA inspector.
- MR. TURPIN: Thank you.
- 17 MR. DRAGOO: Nile Dragoo, D-r-a-g-o-o, Chairman of the
- 18 UTU Safety Team.
- MR. FACKLAM: Steve Facklam, F-a-c-k-l-a-m, BLET Safety
- 20 Task Force.
- MR. TURPIN: All right, good. Thank you.
- 22 INTERVIEW OF WAYNE MAGLEY
- 23 BY MR. TURPIN
- Q. All right, we'll just start. Wayne, if you'd just tell
- 25 us what happened?

- 1 A. Approaching Hays, called out the distance signal for the
- 2 Hays sidings, clear. Looking for the target for the switch
- 3 leading off the main there in front of the shanty. Had FRED flash
- 4 dance, which was kind of distracting. Saw a red target, but that
- 5 could be, you know, the lead switch. And by the time I determined
- 6 that it wasn't the lead switch, plugged it, why, we were pretty
- 7 much right on top of the switch. And the next 10, 15 seconds,
- 8 why, it was pretty quick --
- 9 Q. All right.
- 10 A. -- hit the cars and the track, and overturned and bailed
- 11 out.
- 12 Q. Which track did you go down?
- 13 A. The south track.
- Q. All the way down onto the -- what you called the lead?
- 15 A. Yeah, down the lead. Ran into what I believe was empty
- 16 rolled steel cars. That's about as accurate a statement as I can
- 17 give you.
- 18 Q. Okay. Now, we've seen that the equipment is upside
- 19 down. Did you realize at the time when you're in the cab that the
- 20 engine was actually rolling over?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 A. No, it happened so quick that -- there was impact, and I
- 24 can remember opening my eyes at one point and seeing a car
- 25 standing up in front of us. I thought, I don't want to see this.

- 1 I closed my eyes, and it stopped. We rattled around in there a
- 2 little bit, stopped. Determined that we were, in fact, upside
- 3 down. The side windows were tweaked; they didn't want to open.
- 4 And Austin, the conductor-in-training, I believe went out on what
- 5 would have been the north windshield. Next thing I knew he was
- 6 standing in front of me and I'm -- how'd he do that so quick? And
- 7 pushed on the one in front of me and -- the conductor said I don't
- 8 have my grip or lunch box. I was thinking phone to call and the
- 9 hazmat papers. And he sat them in front of me and I just threw
- 10 them out, went out right behind him and he came out behind me.
- 11 Q. Okay. Who knocked the window out?
- 12 A. I pushed the window out on the south side.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. It was ajar. It wasn't -- it was shattered like safety
- 15 glass, but it was one piece, and I just pushed and it went out.
- 16 Q. And the student was already outside the cab?
- 17 A. Yeah.
- 18 O. Then what?
- 19 A. Then we found our way out of the wreckage. And by the
- 20 time we got out -- kudos to Hays response, because there were
- 21 already red and blue lights in the vicinity. I walked down -- I
- 22 think we went out north of the tracks down to Vine Street and then
- 23 south, but to be honest, I'm not real sure.
- Q. And the first people you were contacted with?
- 25 A. Hays response team. I believe probably a fireman.

- 1 Q. Okay. Was there a fire by then?
- 2 A. Yeah.
- 3 Q. Was there a fire when you were trying to get out?
- A. When Austin got out, he said, we've got fire, we've got
- 5 to go. And it was small. I figured that was a good time to go.
- 6 Q. Yeah. So how long were you there after that?
- 7 A. After the accident?
- 8 Q. And after meeting up with the responders.
- 9 A. Oh, hours.
- 10 Q. So you watched all the emergency response --
- 11 A. Yeah.
- 12 Q. -- and the fire --
- 13 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. Who was --
- 15 A. The sun was up by the time we left.
- 16 Q. Oh, okay. And it happened at what time; do you
- 17 remember?
- 18 A. Somewhere around 1:30.
- 19 Q. Okay. So where did you go then, when you left?
- 20 A. We were headed home -- or headed back to Salina. Brian
- 21 had told us they said that they weren't going to need a sample,
- 22 you know, blood -- or urine sample. And as we were leaving, he
- 23 called and said, well, they've changed their mind, we need you to
- 24 go to the clinic. So we went to the clinic and did a blood,
- 25 urine, and breath test, then went on to Salina.

- 1 Q. Where was the clinic at?
- 2 A. Right across the street from the hospital, Hays
- 3 Hospital --
- 4 Q. Hays?
- 5 A. -- up on Canterbury.
- 6 Q. Okay. All right. How fast were you going?
- 7 A. I believe between 45 and 47. I don't know if they've
- 8 got a download off of it yet or not.
- 9 Q. Yeah, we're still waiting for the data to come in.
- 10 That train handled pretty good or able to hold the speed
- 11 pretty good?
- 12 A. Yeah.
- 13 Q. How long is it 49 through there? Were you -- had you
- 14 been in 49 for quite a while or --
- 15 A. No. Coming from Victoria, it's an uphill pull to about
- 16 283, and we were picking up speed as we were going down into Hays.
- 17 I think I had it -- I think I had it at about 45.
- 18 Q. What were you doing with the levers; where were they?
- 19 A. To be honest, at this point I can't tell you for sure.
- 20 O. Okay. That's all right.
- 21 A. And when I plugged it, I can't tell you that I did
- 22 anything with the throttle dynamic or -- if I was in throttle, I
- 23 can't tell you that I went to dynamic. By the time I determined
- 24 that we were going in, I plugged it and braced. I don't think I
- 25 even got the toggle switch thrown for the -- for FRED. There just

- 1 -- there wasn't time.
- 2 Q. Quick. You said you saw the rear-end device. That
- 3 would have been the ones on the rear of the local, right?
- 4 A. Yeah.
- 5 Q. And it was flashing?
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. Which did you see first, the rear-end device or the red
- 8 switch target?
- 9 A. Oh, we saw the rear-end device from probably a quarter
- 10 of a mile away.
- 11 Q. Okay, all right.
- MR. TURPIN: I'm going to come back later and talk
- 13 about, you know, when you hired out and everything else, but while
- 14 we're talking about the accident, I want to go around the room and
- 15 see if anybody has any follow-ups here. Steve?
- 16 MR. FACKLAM: Let's see. Just following up, you said --
- 17 MR. TURPIN: Just about the accident.
- 18 BY MR. FACKLAM:
- 19 Q. Yeah. How soon was it that you threw it into emergency?
- 20 Just right as soon as you --
- 21 A. I think it was probably right at or just before the
- 22 switch.
- 23 Q. Okay.
- 24 BY UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:
- Q. Wayne, you said you had seen a distance signal. Where

- 1 is that? Because it's Track 1 where you were located. Where is
- 2 that distance signal located?
- 3 A. Just east of Vine Street.
- 4 Q. What's it for?
- 5 A. For the Hays siding west of town.
- 6 Q. Oh, west of town. Okay, okay. Is that an interlocking?
- 7 A. No, it's an electrified siding. What do they call
- 8 those? I want say -- it may be called a manual interlocking.
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 A. It's a siding.
- 11 Q. Yeah, but it's -- so that's --
- 12 A. It's electrified siding.
- 13 Q. That signal is strictly for that interlocking, for the
- 14 siding then?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. It has no effect on authority on the main track?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Okay, okay.
- 19 A. It would give us an indication if we were going to have
- 20 a red signal at the east end or go into the siding.
- 21 Q. It would be nice if they had one before the east end of
- 22 that --
- 23 A. Well, it would be nice if it was signaled, but --
- Q. Yeah, yeah. Okay.
- 25 MR. TURPIN: What color was the distance signal?

- 1 MR. MAGLEY: Clear.
- 2 MR. TURPIN: It was clear? Okay.
- 3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Do you know approximately how far
- 4 those steel cars were in that track in the line switch?
- 5 MR. MAGLEY: I don't think that I could begin to give
- 6 you an accurate answer. I believe they were on a straight track.
- 7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: The locomotive that you're in,
- 8 did it have an alerter system?
- 9 MR. MAGLEY: Yeah.
- 10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: The lead locomotive?
- MR. MAGLEY: Um-hum.
- 12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Was there a camera installed on
- 13 that?
- MR. MAGLEY: Um-hum.
- 15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay.
- 16 BY UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:
- 17 Q. When you got out, you had your phone so you were able to
- 18 make a call.
- 19 A. It -- go ahead.
- Q. Did you call dispatcher first?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. They were saying you called the trainmaster or an
- 23 MOP or something?
- 24 A. I called Brian after I had talked to --
- Q. After you talked to the dispatcher?

- 1 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. And Brian is?
- 3 A. He's the MOP there at Salina.
- 4 Q. Oh, okay.
- 5 A. Brian Weeks.
- 6 Q. Okay. Brian Weeks, okay, okay. So the dispatcher
- 7 first?
- 8 A. Yeah.
- 9 Q. Okay, thank you.
- 10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Was there any radio traffic on
- 11 the radio?
- MR. MAGLEY: Not at that time.
- 13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No. I was just wondering if you
- 14 heard the local crew talking to the dispatcher or anything in
- 15 advance?
- 16 MR. MAGLEY: No. While they were switching at Dole --
- 17 or at Russell, we could hear them while we were setting at Dole,
- 18 but I didn't hear them after that.
- 19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay.
- 20 BY MR. TURPIN:
- Q. Was that the only time you heard them?
- 22 A. We'd heard them a time or two before that coming out of
- 23 Salina.
- Q. Okay. What time did you go on duty?
- 25 A. 1610, 4:10 in the afternoon.

- 1 Q. What time did you depart Salina?
- 2 A. I believe 1855. My time book was in the locomotive so I
- 3 don't have it to --
- 4 Q. Well, we can get those from the dispatchers as well. I
- 5 just -- and it's not like a test. I'm just trying to get some
- 6 benchmarks here.
- 7 So, all right, you're -- so you're out of town about
- 8 7:00. Did you have any meets?
- 9 A. Yeah. There was a train at Terra Cotta, Wolf, and I
- 10 don't believe there was anybody at Dole.
- 11 Q. Okay. So those were eastbounds?
- 12 A. Yes.
- O. Where did the local come out of? Did it come out of
- 14 Salina ahead of you?
- 15 A. Um-hum.
- 16 Q. Do you know what time? Did you hear them leave?
- 17 A. Yeah, I heard him leave, but I can't tell you what time
- 18 it was when they left.
- 19 Q. So it was after you went on duty?
- 20 A. Yeah.
- 21 Q. So when you were putting your train together, you could
- 22 hear them?
- 23 A. Oh, we didn't have to do anything to -- our train was
- 24 together when we got on it.
- Q. Okay. I didn't ask that very well. I said what did you

- 1 do when you got on duty?
- 2 A. Waited for the -- they sent Tom to Haven on a coal train
- 3 out first and then they sent the local out and then they sent us
- 4 out. There was a gang working and I think that's what delayed
- 5 everything. Had to wait for the gang to clear up and then they
- 6 sent Haven out, then the local, then us.
- 7 Q. Okay. All right. Let's try to nail down a little bit
- 8 more, the detail when you heard them ahead of you. So you heard
- 9 them leave town, then you left. You got to Terra Cotta for a
- 10 meet. Had you heard them before you got to Terra Cotta?
- 11 A. Yeah. We couldn't get authority until they gave up
- 12 authority.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. And so we were hearing them give up authority as we were
- 15 getting authority.
- 16 Q. So where did they meet that east train at?
- 17 A. They met a train at Terra Cotta and Wolf also.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. They may have met that one at Dole, but I think they met
- 20 it at Wolf.
- 21 Q. We can check the train sheet on that too. Okay.
- Could you -- you didn't hear them at Hays; they didn't
- 23 have any work at Hays?
- A. We didn't hear them at Hays.
- 25 Q. Okay. So the last place you heard them before --

- 1 A. Was Dole.
- Q. Was Dole. How far away is that?
- 3 A. Well, we were at Dole; they were at Russell.
- 4 Q. Okay.
- 5 A. Russell's 263.
- 6 Q. And Dole?
- 7 A. Just went blank. Just east of Bunker Hill. I hate
- 8 that; I'm just blank.
- 9 Q. All right, that's fine. Obviously, I get a time table,
- 10 I'll have all that right there in front of me.
- 11 A. Yeah.
- 12 Q. That's fine. Thank you.
- 13 You ever worked this local?
- 14 A. No, I've never worked that local.
- 15 Q. Have you ever -- have been inside here at Hays on either
- 16 one of those tracks?
- 17 A. No, I haven't.
- 18 Q. All right, let's back up. When did you hire out on the
- 19 railroad?
- 20 A. '94.
- 21 O. As what?
- 22 A. Brakeman-in-training.
- Q. And when did you go conductor?
- 24 A. I want to say like 6 months later.
- Q. And engineer?

- 1 A. '95, but you bounce back and forth for a while.
- Q. Okay. When did you finally, basically, become permanent
- 3 engineer?
- 4 A. Late '96/early '97.
- 5 Q. Okay. And where have you primarily worked?
- 6 A. Primarily between Salina and Denver.
- 7 Q. Okay. And so now we add the exceptions. Outside of
- 8 that territory, where?
- 9 A. I was brought out a few months, Pueblo to Horse, Dalhart
- 10 to Tucumcari, and I was in Herington, working Herington to Pratt
- 11 primarily, for about four years.
- 12 Q. Oh, wow. When was your last engineer certification
- 13 date?
- 14 A. It would be on the license, wouldn't it? Issued 7/11
- 15 of '12.
- 16 Q. And the last time a supervisor rode with you?
- 17 A. It's been in the last 4 months, I think.
- 18 Q. Last time you may have been tested, operationally
- 19 tested?
- 20 A. Last 2 weeks. Within the last 2 weeks.
- 21 Q. Yeah.
- 22 A. They had a red flag at yard for Salina.
- 23 Q. They tell you that you were being tested --
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. -- or that you successfully passed it?

- 1 A. Yeah, yeah, successfully passed. They came up and
- 2 talked to us and told us we passed.
- Q. Oh, good. Okay. What's the procedure for switches in
- 4 dark territory? What's the rule regarding that?
- 5 A. They've got to be lined back for main track.
- 6 Q. Right. And then you -- is there anything else you have
- 7 to do?
- A. Well, you got to sign a book that you lined them back.
- 9 I'm not sure what you're driving at.
- 10 Q. You call anybody and tell them?
- 11 A. Well, you've got -- you can't get another track warrant
- 12 without verifying that you have lined those switches on main line.
- Q. Okay, that's what I'm asking, is the procedure.
- 14 A. Yeah.
- Okay. So if you go into a siding and you line up
- 16 behind, what do you have to do?
- 17 A. You've got to let the dispatcher know.
- 18 Q. All right. And what if you're unable to? Is there a
- 19 process available if you're unable to line behind? Let's say you
- 20 run out of time.
- 21 A. You still got to them let them know that it's open
- 22 somehow.
- Q. Okay. Have you ever been notified that there may be an
- 24 open switch in front of you?
- A. A "prepared to stop" is what you get.

- 1 Q. Okay. You get -- you do get a notification?
- 2 A. Sure.
- 3 Q. So that has happened in the past? Or you just know that
- 4 the procedure's available, or has it actually happened to you?
- 5 A. No, I've been given a "be prepared to stop."
- Q. Did you find a switch open?
- 7 A. No. No, it was closed.
- 8 Q. Have you ever encountered an open switch before?
- 9 A. No. We got a good bunch of guys out here. They're
- 10 pretty damn conscientious.
- 11 Q. Is it a safe place to work?
- 12 A. I think so.
- 13 Q. Usually what we do is, and this is even harder on your
- 14 memory, but we try to back up to when you went on duty. That
- 15 would have been on Monday, correct?
- 16 A. Um-hum, I believe so.
- 17 Q. Monday at 4:10?
- 18 A. Um-hum.
- 19 Q. So what did you do Monday during the day?
- 20 A. I slept until about -- oh, it must have been about noon.
- Q. And how long a time was that sleeping? Do you remember
- 22 when you went to bed?
- A. I think it was about 3:30.
- Q. Did you come in off a job?
- 25 A. Yeah.

- 1 Q. Because we're just going to keep walking this back; we
- 2 want to try to get through Sunday and into at least Saturday and
- 3 find out just kind of your work cycle. So Monday morning 3:30
- 4 a.m. in. When did you go on duty Sunday?
- 5 A. I wish I had the time book.
- Q. It's not a test. And really what's important is to try
- 7 to figure out your sleep time. Did you get good sleep during
- 8 those three days?
- 9 A. Yeah, I did.
- 10 Q. You didn't go to a wedding or didn't go --
- 11 A. No. No.
- 12 Q. So on Sunday --
- 13 A. We were turning good, but I was able to get rest.
- Q. Okay. But you do live at the opposite end of the pool?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- 16 Q. Do you get almost the same amount of time here as you do
- 17 in Salina?
- 18 A. Actually, I usually wind up with more time at Sharon
- 19 Springs than I do at Salina, but it varies. It cycles; it
- 20 changes.
- Q. Okay. So Sunday, Sunday you get called to go to Salina.
- 22 Do you remember -- let's jog the memory a little bit with --
- 23 A. Going to work on this train? No, that would have
- 24 been --
- 25 Q. No. It would have been the one that got you to Salina,

- 1 on Sunday.
- 2 A. A coal bucket.
- 3 Q. Took the coal train?
- 4 A. It was a good trip.
- 5 Q. Evening call?
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. That's close enough. Did you sleep all day Sunday?
- 8 A. The majority of it.
- 9 Q. So did you work a night job Saturday, then, from Salina
- 10 home?
- 11 A. Yeah, I think that was a daylight trip going out. I
- 12 wish I had the time book.
- 13 Q. Yeah.
- 14 A. As -- we were turning quick, but as quick as we were
- 15 turning, I was getting surprisingly good rest.
- 16 Q. Okay. It looks like you might have gotten, let's say,
- 17 18 hours off that one time --
- 18 A. Yeah.
- 19 Q. -- that one slug there. It looked like 18. Maybe not
- 20 -- once you got to Salina you actually turned back?
- 21 A. Yeah, that was a quick turn around.
- 22 Q. That was 12 -- actually, 11 hours, so --
- 23 A. Yeah.
- Q. Yeah. Okay, all right. Well, we can look into the
- 25 books. You did get your --

- 1 A. You learn when you're turning, you go home, you get
- 2 something to eat, get cleaned up, you go to bed.
- 3 Q. Okay. All right, that kind of sums it up. Did you feel
- 4 fatigued at any time?
- 5 A. No, not really.
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 A. But there again, when you're turning, you go to bed.
- 8 Q. Yeah. How many days in a row you think you worked?
- 9 A. I think I had two round trips back to back, and I had
- 10 laid off previous to that for a dentist appointment, which they
- 11 canceled.
- 12 Q. So you probably missed one cycle?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- 14 Q. I got you. Okay. You take any prescription drugs?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. Nonprescription?
- 17 A. No. Well, an aspirin or --
- 18 Q. Yeah. Pushing the envelope on that is more into the
- 19 antihistamines and Claritins or Nyquils and things like that, you
- 20 know.
- 21 A. No. No, I think if a guy doesn't use that stuff on a
- 22 regular basis, when he does, it's more effective.
- Q. Okay. It's been a long time, but for -- do you think
- 24 your training prepared you for your job?
- 25 A. I do. Brian Weeks, as an officer and our instructor for

- 1 all of our rules classes, is real thorough. He's --
- Q. Um-hum. Is he local? Did he come up local here or did
- 3 they bring him in from somewhere?
- A. I think he came off the MOP. And we've got good guys to
- 5 work with. The old heads had done a good job of mentoring us.
- Q. What about cell phones; what do you do with your cell
- 7 phone?
- 8 A. You got a stow it. Shut it off, stow it.
- 9 Q. Okay. All right. Do you ever observe other employees
- 10 using cell phones?
- 11 A. Not -- when they first came out, guys were using them
- 12 quite a bit. But when the rule came out you can't use them,
- 13 everybody was just, "Well, okay."
- 14 Q. Is there anytime you can use them on the UP?
- 15 A. If you're stopped and you're not in a cab red zone or,
- 16 you know, doing anything required of your job, you can make a
- 17 phone call.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. And I did at Dole.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. I called my fiancee and told her that no point in
- 22 waiting up, we were probably going to go dead.
- Q. Oh, you thought you were kind of running out of time
- 24 this --
- 25 A. Yeah, I figured we were going to run out of time.

- Q. What's the running time? You were there about 1:00 at
- 2 Hays. What would have been your running time to try to get to,
- 3 make it in? Well, actually, you figured back from Dole.
- 4 A. There was an eastbound train coming that was having DP
- 5 problems and I figured that would be enough to kill us, irrelevant
- 6 of running time.
- 7 Q. Yeah.
- 8 A. And I didn't know how long the local would be out. I
- 9 didn't know what they had for work, so I just figured we were
- 10 going to be dead somewhere along the way.
- 11 Q. You only had about three hours left. You would have had
- 12 to hightail the whole time, right --
- 13 A. Yeah.
- Q. -- from Hays on over?
- 15 A. Yeah, we might have made it, but I sure wasn't counting
- 16 on it.
- 17 Q. Okay. All right.
- 18 A. I'm not saying I planned to go dead. I just --
- 19 Q. No, no, no, I understand. No, absolutely.
- 20 A. -- figured it wasn't going to happen.
- 21 Q. Yep, yep.
- MR. TURPIN: All right, anybody have any more questions?
- BY MR. FACKLAM:
- Q. How many miles is your run?
- 25 A. 242.

- 1 Q. 242. And just an average, normally, say over the last
- 2 six months, what's it usually -- the time frame that it usually
- 3 takes --
- 4 A. I figure 10, 11 hours.
- 5 Q. Ten, 11 hours average.
- A. Sometimes you scratch in, sometimes you get a trip where
- 7 you're only out there 7½ or 8.
- Q. Coming into Hays, at the incident that we're -- outside
- 9 of seeing any ETDs and your headlight, is there any other lighting
- 10 around there?
- 11 A. There is, but not that would really --
- 12 Q. That could possibly illuminate that target?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. How often do they do yearly testing, you know, as
- 15 far as rules testing? How often are you -- does UP test you on
- 16 the rules?
- 17 A. I think it's every two years. But the last time I
- 18 tested, it was back to back; one year and then the next year we
- 19 did it again.
- 20 Q. And when was that? When was your last one?
- 21 A. What was it?
- Q. Oh, was that the same as the certification you were
- 23 talking about?
- 24 A. Yeah, yeah.
- 25 Q. I got that date, okay.

- 1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: July 2012, wasn't it?
- 2 MR. MAGLEY: Yeah.
- 3 BY MR. FACKLAM:
- Q. So then normally, it's about every two years for people?
- 5 A. Yeah.
- Q. You just happened to have one back to back?
- 7 A. Yeah.
- 8 Q. I've been there.
- 9 BY MR. DRAGOO:
- 10 Q. Wayne, Nile Dragoo, UTU. Is this a side pool that
- 11 you're in?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you guys ever get federal rest?
- 14 A. I've never hit federal rest. There are some guys that
- 15 have, but I think they were extra board.
- 16 Q. Okay.
- 17 A. I'm sure you can get access to that information, but I
- 18 can't tell you for sure that anybody in the pool has.
- 19 Q. Now, this is track warrant territory, correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- Q. What's your procedure to release a warrant? You clear
- 22 the limits and what do you do?
- 23 A. Dial up the dispatcher, tell him that you and the
- 24 engineer are in agreement that you are clear of the limits of, and
- 25 repeat the limits to them.

- 1 Q. And back to this, when you was coming in here to Hays,
- 2 you really couldn't tell how that switch was until you got on top
- 3 it?
- 4 A. That's right.
- 5 Q. And like we touched on there a little earlier, it's
- 6 pretty dark in that area, correct?
- 7 A. Yeah. Now, just the other side of those, you've got
- 8 Vine Street, which is all lit up. So you're looking into a black
- 9 area that's illuminated behind.
- 10 Q. Yep.
- 11 A. If that makes any sense?
- 12 Q. Yeah, yeah. Well, I work on the UP out of Marysville.
- 13 A. Okay.
- Q. When you have to -- let's say you're out here, you got
- 15 to set out a bad order on road. You set the car out and then what
- 16 do you do?
- 17 A. Well, you've got to do a securement test on it to know
- 18 that it's not going to go anywhere. And then when you've done
- 19 that, then you cut away and go back out and make sure you've got
- 20 everything closed back up.
- 21 Q. And then when you get it done, do you notify the
- 22 dispatcher that everything's back to normal, derail's --
- 23 A. Oh, yeah, you have to or you can't get another track
- 24 warrant.
- 25 Q. Right, right.

- Okay, that's all I got. Again, Wayne, it's amazing you
- 2 guys survived this. It's remarkable.
- 3 A. I don't know what I'm supposed to do, but I haven't done
- 4 it yet.
- 5 Q. Yeah, yeah. Somebody's looking after you.
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. It's amazing.
- 8 A. We had quardian angels that night.
- 9 Q. Yeah, yeah. That's all I have.
- MR. TURPIN: All right. John?
- 11 MR. WYKER: I can't think of anything further. You
- 12 answered everything. Thank you very much.
- MR. MAGLEY: Yeah. Yeah, I -- and like I say, guys, I'm
- 14 sure that for more accurate information, it's probably going to
- 15 come off the electronics.
- 16 MR. TURPIN: Yeah, yeah, and we have those. We're
- 17 ordering those from the UP. They'll give us all that stuff.
- 18 That's not a problem.
- MR. FACKLAM: Is there something --
- MR. TURPIN: Yeah, go ahead.
- MR. FACKLAM: In the last 60 days, how many times you
- 22 think you ran over that territory if you had to guess? You know,
- 23 not exact, but --
- MR. MAGLEY: Eighteen, 20.
- 25 BY MR. TURPIN:

- 1 Q. And you've actually worked this pool for how long?
- 2 A. On and off for the last six, seven years. I try to hold
- 3 Oakley when I can. I just -- no, I don't have enough seniority
- 4 yet.
- 5 Q. What works out of Oakley?
- 6 A. They have a local here, three-day-a-week local.
- 7 Q. Local.
- 8 A. And they occasionally get used for dog catching or grain
- 9 trains up at Coley (ph.).
- 10 Q. So it's just the one with the old heads on?
- 11 A. The local? Yeah.
- 12 Q. Okay. This other one that -- it's the LDG -- is that
- 13 what's it called -- every night? What do you guys call it?
- 14 A. The one here? Or the --
- 15 Q. The one that was down at Hays.
- 16 A. The 89, LDG89, I believe. I've never worked it.
- 17 Q. And that's what people call it, the 89 or the LDG --
- 18 A. Hays local.
- 19 Q. Hays local?
- 20 A. Yeah.
- 21 Q. Because it -- does it always tie up at Hays?
- 22 A. They flip back to Salina on Fridays, or on -- yeah, on
- 23 Friday.
- Q. So they come out and then they --
- 25 A. Then go back.

- 1 Q. Then they go back, okay. Have you ever followed them
- 2 before?
- 3 A. I'm sure I probably have at some point.
- 4 Q. Do you know the crew that was working on it?
- 5 A. Dale Hoyt, I understand was one of the crew members, one
- 6 of the trainmen; Josh Iverson I think was one of the trainmen; and
- 7 Dave Nothern. And I know Dave Nothern and Dale Hoyt. I've worked
- 8 with Dale here numerous times. I'd go to work with Dale in a
- 9 heartbeat. I don't know Josh. I knew his dad down at Herington,
- 10 but I've never met Josh.
- MR. TURPIN: Okay. All right, I don't think I have
- 12 anything else.
- 13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I have just one thing I wanted to
- 14 touch on.
- MR. TURPIN: Yes.
- 16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: If that's okay?
- 17 MR. TURPIN: Yeah.
- 18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Just because I'm not familiar
- 19 with this.
- 20 BY UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:
- Q. You said there's a logbook, a switch logbook that the
- 22 conductors and engineers --
- A. Your conductor's log.
- Q. Conductor's log. Just their normal, like, delay report,
- 25 we'd call them?

- 1 A. Yeah.
- 2 Q. Okay. And I'm familiar with those. Different
- 3 terminology, different railroads.
- 4 A. Yeah. Yeah.
- 5 MR. TURPIN: Okay.
- 6 BY UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:
- 7 Q. Just a couple more. What was the last job briefing you
- 8 guys had; do you remember?
- 9 A. Well, it would have been at Dole that we were good to go
- 10 all the way to Collyer. Now, we had slow orders that we discuss
- 11 as we're -- as we approach each slow order. I don't know if you'd
- 12 call that a job briefing or not. I suppose, technically, it would
- 13 be, but --
- 14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: So you discuss with each other
- 15 slow order coming up?
- MR. MAGLEY: Yeah.
- 17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: That's a job briefing then,
- 18 they'd (indiscernible).
- MR. MAGLEY: Okay. And these guys are -- I don't know
- 20 Austin very well. That's the first time I've ridden with him.
- 21 But the conductor, I've worked with before. I mean, it's --
- 22 you're just discussing things pretty much all the way over the
- 23 road, keep each other on your toes.
- UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's not like the old days.
- 25 Thank God.

- 1 MR. TURPIN: Yeah.
- 2 MR. MAGLEY: I smile because of the stories that I've
- 3 heard.
- 4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, yes. I've been there, yeah.
- 5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: When you said you braced
- 6 yourself, what part of the locomotive did you go to?
- 7 MR. MAGLEY: I just turned in the seat, stuck my feet
- 8 down into the console. And I don't think it probably did any
- 9 good.
- 10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I appreciate it.
- 11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Ted, I got one more.
- 12 BY UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:
- Q. Wayne, was there ever any electric lock switches out
- 14 here on this territory, or do you have any idea?
- 15 A. Not -- electric locks, not that I know of.
- Q. Okay. We saw like a box there at that switch. At one
- 17 time, apparently, it was, but it must have been before your time.
- 18 A. Done a lot of things before my time out here. I'm a
- 19 greenhorn by comparison.
- Q. No, you're an old head in some ways.
- 21 A. Well, in some ways.
- BY MR. TURPIN:
- Q. So all the way from Salina to -- you go to, not Oakley,
- 24 but what do you call it, something Springs? What is it?
- 25 A. Sharon Springs.

- 1 Q. Sharon Springs. All sidings are hand-throw switches?
- 2 A. Terra Cotta, Wolf, Dole, Hays, Collyer, Oz, Hanbury
- 3 (ph.) and -- I can't believe that; it's gone -- there's one more
- 4 -- McAllister (ph.), are electric.
- 5 Q. So the sidings where you meet trains --
- 6 A. The sidings are --
- 7 Q. -- have an electric with an approach, which would be
- 8 like a switch-point indicator basically is what that green is?
- 9 A. Yeah, basically.
- 10 Q. Okay. So where you have hand-throw switches is only --
- 11 where were their hand throw switches then?
- 12 A. At, say, the little elevators along the way, the ethanol
- 13 plant.
- 14 Q. Industry track?
- 15 A. Yeah, industry tracks.
- 16 Q. Okay. How many? Give a guess?
- 17 A. I wouldn't even want to try to speculate. A bunch.
- 18 Q. A bunch. That's good.
- 19 A. You're always looking for the green target.
- Q. Yeah. So would you say that was probably your primary
- 21 focus when you came around the curve here coming into Hays knowing
- 22 that the switches are there?
- 23 A. First thing I wanted to know was how were we lined up
- 24 for Hays siding, because you got to make note of that --
- Q. Okay. And you have to come around the curve to see

- 1 that?
- 2 A. Yeah. Yeah. Once I determined that we were clear
- 3 there, then the next focus was -- because if it's a yellow, you
- 4 may have to be down to 20 over that switch, which would require
- 5 immediate action.
- 6 Q. Is that signal on the other side of Vine, or --
- 7 A. I believe it's on the east side.
- 8 Q. Okay. There hadn't been any trains out there so we
- 9 haven't seen it lit up. I didn't notice when we were out there.
- 10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Is it for that -- the crossover
- 11 that comes, the crossover that was on the west side, right, of
- 12 Vine?
- 13 MR. MAGLEY: Uh-huh.
- 14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah. Okay, but you say the
- 15 signal, you think, on the east side?
- MR. MAGLEY: Yes.
- 17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay, okay. And I didn't notice
- 18 any either.
- 19 MR. TURPIN: I didn't either. I think it's because it's
- 20 not lit up. We're not --
- 21 BY MR. TURPIN:
- Q. Is it a pot signal?
- A. No, no. No, it's tall.
- Q. High stand?
- 25 A. Yeah.

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Q. Well, we're look for it. We'll look for it.
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              MR. TURPIN: All right, very good. I don't think I have
 3
    anything. Do you have anything you'd like to add?
              MR. MAGLEY: Glad to be here.
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              MR. TURPIN: Oh, yeah. We're all appreciative of that
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          I like going --
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              UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Play the lottery this week.
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              MR. TURPIN: I like going to accidents that --
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              MR. MAGLEY: That's right.
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              MR. TURPIN: All right, that completes the interview.
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