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INTERVIEW

OF

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1 INTERVIEW OF THERESA MACDONALD, TAKEN AT 4:05 P.M.

- 2 MR. JENNER: Good afternoon. Today is
- 3 Wednesday, July 28th, 2010. My name is Stephen
- 4 Jenner, and I'm an investigator with the National
- 5 Transportation Safety Board in Washington, D.C.
- 6 We are currently in Edmonton, Canada, at the
- 7 Crown Plaza Hotel collecting factual information
- 8 regarding a pipeline release that occurred in
- 9 Marshall, Michigan, on July 22nd, 2010 (sic). I'd
- 10 like to go around the room and have everyone
- 11 introduce themselves, and please state your name
- 12 and who you're with. And to my left, Rick.
- 13 MR. GULSTAD: Rick Gulstad, I'm with PHMSA
- 14 Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety
- 15 Administration,
- 16 MR. TOLLEFSON: Tyler Tollefson, senior legal
- 17 counsel with Enbridge Pipelines.

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- 18 MR. GOESON: I'm Curt Goeson. I'm control
- 19 centre supervisor with Enbridge Pipelines.
- 20 MS. MACDONALD: Theresa McDonald, pipeline
- 21 operator with Enbridge Pipelines.
- 22 MS. BUTLER: Karen Butler with PHMSA,
- 23 regional project manager
- 24
- 25 MR. JENNER: Okay. Thank you. As I eluded
- 26 to earlier, we're collecting factual information
- about this event, this incident, and what we'd like

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- 1 to do is talk to Theresa McDonald.
- 2 QUESTIONS BY MR. JENNER:
- 3 Q MR. JENNER: And if you would, state your
- 4 full name, and please tell us the correct spelling.
- 5 A It's Theresa MacDonald, T-H-E-R-E-S-A
- 6 M-A-C-D-O-N-A-L-D.
- 7 Q Would you please give me your address and phone
- 8 number.
- 9 A My address is _____ My phone number is
- 10
- 11 Q Okay. And who are you employed by?
- 12 A I am employed by Enbridge Pipelines.
- 13 Q And what is your profession?
- 14 A I'm a pipeline operator.
- 15 Q What I'd like to do is ask you some general
- 16 questions about your background.
- 17 A Okay.

18 Q And we'll take you up to the start of your shift.

19 A Okay.

- 20 Q How long have you been with Enter -- Enbridge?
- 21 A I've been with Enbridge 30 years.
- 22 Q Can you give me a rundown of what your positions
- 23 were when you got started and how you got up to
- 24 your current position?
- 25 A Well, of course I was trained for a year when I
- 26 first started in 1980, and for the next ten years,
- 27 I was a pipeline operator. I supervised for

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- 1 approximately five years and then went back to
- 2 being an operator when we did the whole changeover
- 3 with everything.
- 4 Q So you've been in this occupation for 30 years?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q Is there anything you don't know about the
- 7 operations?
- 8 A I'm sure there's something, but I don't know what
- 9 it is.
- 10 Q You're currently training, supervising, should I
- 11 say, or overseeing someone's training?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Can --
- 14 A Actually it's not actually his training. He's
- 15 already trained. He's been operating the pipeline
- 16 longer than I have. What I'm basically doing is
- 17 I'm there as someone if he has a problem and he

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18	needs to discuss it with someone, I'm there for
19	him. Basically I'm sitting with him, but I'm not
20	actually training him. He's already trained. I'm
21	just kind of there for him if he needs help with
22	phone calls, because it does get overwhelming a
23	little sometimes, so
24	Q Are you also monitoring the SCADA?
25	A If there was a problem, he would definitely discuss
26	it with me, but I'm not personally sitting there

27 watching it, no.

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1	Q Okay. Well, if you would, would you just describe
2	when you went to work on Sunday, last Sunday, and
3	the activities that you performed at the beginning
4	of your shift and we'll go from there.
5	A Okay. I arrived at work at 6:25, and Dave and I
6	took the rundown together, which is our relief told
7	us what's happening on the line, so we both
8	listened to that. I proceeded to then log in to
9	the other computer that's beside him on the
10	console, because I had some special projects that I
11	was going to be working on that day while he was
12	doing the pipeline operations. And basically I
13	worked on my projects while he was doing the
14	pipeline operating.
15	Q And what were your projects?
16	A I was working on a density, an auto density trend
17	that we're hopefully going to be able to use all

18 across our pipelines to help us with our cut

19 points.

- 20 Q Did that take up -- how much time did that take up?
- 21 How long were you working on that?
- 22 A Well, what it -- it's already in production, so
- 23 what I was doing was testing all of the areas that
- 24 we need to test to get it to work properly, and
- then once I've tested it, I was making up a letter
- to send back to our production team, then asked
- them to tweak certain points for us and that kind

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- 1 of thing. So I was deeply into trying to figure
- 2 out what -- how we could make this work.
- 3 Q This is David Scott --
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q -- who you were overseeing? We talked to him
- 6 earlier. How do you assess his -- he was off for a
- 7 while.
- 8 A M'hm.
- 9 Q And that's why you're supervising him. How's his

10 progress?

- 11 A He's -- I have complete confidence in his ability
- 12 to operate the pipeline as well or even better than
- 13 I can.
- 14 Q Very good. Okay. Can you add any more discussion
- 15 about the activities as the shift went on?
- 16 A I know when he was getting ready for the -- I know
- 17 there was a scheduling -- we had -- they had us

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18	actually going even at Stockbridge and going down
19	to Sarnia for like an hour or an hour and a half.
20	And we went up and spoke to scheduling and said why
21	don't we just shut down the pipeline when we're
22	finished our Stockbridge, and then when they start
23	up in the morning, they can just open the whole
24	line and go straight down to Sarnia. That way
25	we're not starting and stopping twice.
26 (Q If I can get you to elaborate on your decision to
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stop -- to shut down the pipeline.

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- 1 A It wasn't my decision. Dave took it to our
- 2 supervisors, and our supervisors took it to

3 scheduling.

- 4 Q Okay. The decision to shut it down, and what is
- 5 the rationale behind that?
- 6 A Just so that we weren't starting and stopping it
- 7 more than you need it to, because that's when
- 8 you -- an incident usually happens is during a
- 9 startup or a shutdown.
- 10 Q And, again, the -- it's to prevent any problems
- 11 from happening?
- 12 A M'hm.
- 13 Q But the initial reason, I'm sorry, I missed it, for
- 14 shutting it down. That's an unusual step --
- 15 A It was a scheduled -- we were going to be scheduled
- 16 to shut down approximately an hour after we were
- 17 finished a Stockbridge delivery. So we were going

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18	to go even at Stockbridge, start the line up from
19	Stockbridge to Sarnia, and then an hour later shut
20	the whole thing down. We figured that why start it
21	twice, because, like I said, that's when things
22	happen. So we took it to our supervisors and they
23	took it to scheduling and it was decided that as
24	soon as we were done our Stockbridge delivery, we
25	were going to shut down the incoming line. And
26	when they started her up again that night, they

27 were going to start the whole lineup.

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- 1 Q Do you know what time when they were thinking about
- 2 restarting?
- 3 A I believe it was 1:00.
- 4 Q Just to get a.m.s and p.m.s straight, you came
- 5 in --
- 6 A Yeah, that would be 1 a.m. Yeah.
- 7 Q You came in at 6:25 p.m.?
- 8 A No, a.m.
- 9 Q a.m. And the restart was 1 a.m., but after your
- 10 shift had concluded?
- 11 A Yes, yes.
- 12 Q Okay. In terms of the shutdowns and deliveries
- 13 that remained, did things go routinely?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q Was there any indication of anything abnormal
- 16 happening on the system in terms of alarms, in
- 17 terms of monitoring the pressures and...

- 18 A The only thing we got was we did get an MBS alarm
- 19 right after the shutdown, a five-minute MBS alarm,
- 20 and we -- Dave immediately told our supervisors, so
- 21 they got -- the MBS got involved. And they
- informed us that it was column sep., and the alarm
- 23 cleared in five minutes.
- 24 Q If you would, tell me about the MBS alarm. What
- 25 does that mean, and what does that mean to you?
- 26 A Our MBS system is our backup or, I guess, our
- 27 primary leak system, and what they do is when we

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1	get alarms on the line, they look at them to see
2	whether what caused the alarms, whether it's a

- transmitter or whether it's a column sep. or... So 3
- they tell us what's going on with it. 4
- Q Well, is it a particular alarm that will get them 5

involved? You have various type of alarms --6

7 A Yes.

- Q -- of different significance. Is it --8
- A I -- we -- I tend to tell them every time we get 9
- any kind of alarm. If it's a 5-minute alarm, 10
- 20-minute alarm, a 2-hour alarm, I tell them. 11
- Q You get those often during a shift? 12
- A Only like -- when -- normally when we would get 13
- them is during shutdowns and startups. If we get 14
- 15 one and the line's nice and steady, we know there's
- a problem of some kind. But during shutdowns and 16
- startups, sometimes we do, because there may be a 17

18 transmitter missing, or it could be a column sep.

19 area.

- 20 Q So getting a -- in this situation, given that there
- 21 was a shutdown, and getting an MBS alarm, that
- 22 didn't -- from your experience, that wasn't
- 23 unexpected?
- 24 A No.
- 25 Q So what was the process once -- you notified
- someone about the MB --
- 27 A Yes.

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- 1 Q Can you walk me through that --
- 2 A We notified our supervisor, Al, and he -- him and
- 3 the MBS guy looked at it. And he came back -- the
- 4 MBS fellow came back, Shane, and told us it was a
- 5 column sep., and then the alarm cleared just after
- 6 he informed us what it was.
- 7 Q All right. Can you tell me about the column
- 8 separation? The column -- the term you're using is
- 9 column?
- 10 A Column separation.
- 11 Q Separation. Can you describe what that is to me?
- 12 A Sure. There's certain elevations on the pipeline,
- 13 and as the pipeline's getting shut down, if there's
- 14 a hill or something, it might get drained out at
- 15 the bottom of it, and we call that a column sep.,
- 16 where the oil's not going over the hill kind of
- 17 thing. So there's kind of a pocket in there that

- 18 we call the column sep.
- 19 Q Is it primarily due to elevation or?
- 20 A Basically that and low rates sometimes can cause a
- 21 column sep., that kind of thing, because they're --
- 22 yeah.
- 23 Q When you get an alarm, can you -- how much can you
- 24 isolate where the problem is? Can you link an
- alarm to a particular pipe on a place on the
- 26 pipeline?
- 27 A Absolutely, because it tells us where the alarm is.

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- 1 Q Within how much of a range?
- 2 A I think there's, like, maybe 30 miles between
- 3 Marshall and Stockbridge.
- 4 MR. GOESON: It varies.
- 5 A So, yeah, it varies on the pipelines.
- 6 Q MR. JENNER: So an alarm can be within a
- 7 30-mile --
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q -- radius, so to speak?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q Okay. Is there any utility in pulling out
- 12 elevation maps and saying, well, this is pretty
- 13 hilly territory, I can understand that, or --
- 14 A Oh, absolutely, yes.
- 15 Q Is that something that you did on this occasion?
- 16 A Actually, no, we didn't, because we -- the alarm
- 17 cleared, so we didn't have any concerns about it.

- 18 Q Now, why would an alarm clear? Under what
- 19 conditions would it clear?
- 20 A I have no idea. I don't know anything about the
- 21 MBS except for what I've told you.
- 22 Q From your understanding, does someone clear it, or
- 23 does the system itself automatically clear it?
- 24 A As far as I know, the system clears it. Like once
- 25 the -- once they've done their study, then the
- 26 system clears it.
- 27 Q I guess what I'm asking is there a person on the

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- 1 other end --
- 2 A Oh, absolutely.
- 3 Q -- who says clear, so to speak?
- 4 MR. GOESON: No.
- 5 A Well, no. No, no, the system does it. Yeah.
- 6 MR. GOESON: What she said before about
- 7 it's an automatic.
- 8 Q MR. JENNER: It automatically clears.
- 9 A Yeah.
- 10 Q Okay.
- 11 A There is someone on the other side doing the --
- 12 looking at it, but he's not clearing it, no.
- 13 Q Now, maybe you can help me, how would it
- 14 automatically clear on it?
- 15 A I really don't know anything about the system,
- 16 except for what I've told you.
- 17 Q Well, I'm just thinking, if I'm picturing an

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- 18 elevation and there's product on either side, so
- 19 you have the column separation, and something has
- 20 to happen for that column separation to
- 21 be resolved.
- 22 A Well, if there was, like if the crude was kind of
- sloshing, so maybe it just did actually go back
- 24 over top the hill and fill in that little
- 25 separation.
- 26 Q I see.
- 27 A So that could happen.

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- 1 Q Okay. And that itself could cause an alarm to
- 2 clear?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q When you came back with -- the decision was this is
- 5 a column separation, did you -- were you content
- 6 with that?
- 7 A It wasn't my decision, and I just relied on the
- 8 information that I had.
- 9 Q Right. And from the information that you had, did
- 10 column separation make sense to you?
- 11 A To tell you the truth, I was working on the other
- 12 computer, and Dave -- if Dave had said this doesn't
- 13 look right or can we look at this, I certainly
- 14 would have, but I really was not paying attention.
- 15 Q Dave did not alarm you to --
- 16 A No. I heard him say that there was a call -- that
- 17 we got an MBS alarm, and I heard him when he phoned

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- 18 Allister. And when he got the call back saying the
- 19 alarm had cleared, as far as I was concerned,
- 20 everything was done.
- 21 Q Can you walk me through some of the activities
- 22 after the alarm was cleared?
- 23 A Basically everything, anything we would have not
- 24 done anything else on the line, because we weren't
- 25 starting it up, so, you know, valves were closed.
- 26 There was an upstream valve closed at Niles. The
- 27 valve at Stockbridge was left closed, because it

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- 1 was never opened, and basically that's our
- 2 shutdown.
- 3 Q The system seemed normal or as expected from
- 4 your --
- 5 A As far as I knew it was, yes, yes.
- 6 Q As far as you knew. When you receive -- have you
- 7 received MBS -- I think you mentioned you do
- 8 receive these on occasion, these type of alarms.
- 9 A M'hm.
- 10 Q Is column separation a common occurrence or
- 11 explanation for the alarms?
- 12 A Yes, in certain areas, and it also depends on how
- 13 the pipeline was shut down.
- 14 Q What are some other instances that would trigger
- 15 these alarms or a similar type of alarm?
- 16 A I guess if we lost a transmitter or something along
- 17 that lines, it could cause the alarm to alarm.

18 Q Have you personally had to deal with a product

- 19 release, a spill?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q How recently?
- 22 A 18 years ago, I believe.
- 23 MR. GOESON: Yeah, in the mid '90s, right?
- 24 A Yeah. 16 to 18. I can't remember exactly what
- 25 year it was.
- 26 Q MR. JENNER: Okay. Sure.
- 27 A We try to forget it after that.

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- 1 MR. JENNER: Well, I think that's the
- 2 questions I have right now. We'll go around and
- 3 have other people do some followups.
- 4 A Sure.
- 5 MR. JENNER: Rick or Karen?
- 6 MR. GULSTAD: Karen?
- 7 MR. JENNER: Karen.
- 8 MS. BUTLER: Yeah. That'd be great.
- 9 QUESTIONS BY MS. BUTLER:
- 10 Q MS. BUTLER: I've been listening to your
- 11 discussion, and just so that I'm clear, on the
- 12 special project that you were working on and you
- 13 said you were testing, is that testing an offline
- 14 system or some system that's just got simulated
- 15 instrumentation, because I noticed you said
- 16 density. How does that work?
- 17 A Basically I was in our CMT training area, and I was

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- 18 testing how my density trend was working at certain
- 19 locations and where it needed improvement.
- 20 Q So was it actually using SCADA data to crank out
- 21 calcs.? Is it, like, duplicated, or how does that
- 22 work?
- 23 A I had got the SCADA team to update the trainer to
- the 15th and 16th of July, so I was using that
- 25 information.
- 26 Q So you were using, like, historical data?
- 27 A Yes.

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- 1 Q And comparing it to what this calculates. Is that
- 2 fair?
- 3 A Not to, like, present day what was happening on the
- 4 line, only what happened on the 15th and 16th of
- 5 July.
- 6 Q Right. Gotcha, okay. So basically it's using
- 7 historical data to check historical data?
- 8 A Well, that and to see how my program was handling
- 9 the certain things I wanted it to do.
- 10 Q Okay. You mentioned column separation and some MBS
- 11 alarms. This particular console obviously operates
- 12 more than one line, and so are those typical across
- 13 the different lines or more frequent on 6B? What
- 14 can you tell me about that?
- 15 A It depends on if we're doing shutdowns and
- 16 startups. We can pretty well be guaranteed on line
- 17 3 to get an MBS alarm on a startup, and it just

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18	depends on how the line starts up, if it was an
19	emergency shutdown or if it was a controlled
20	shutdown. Like there's many variables.
21	Q Okay. And regarding, like, some of those
22	variables, can you talk to me a little bit about
23	that? I know you mentioned low flow when you've
24	lost a transmitter. You mentioned line 3 you're
25	going to get one for sure. Is that because line 3
26	has more elevation differences, or is that, like, a
27	transmitter data point separation instrumentation

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issue? 1

2	A Line 3 definitely has more elevation issues.
3	Q Okay. On this particular day, is there anything
4	that stands out to you? I know you said you were
5	busy on your program, so, you know, I heard you,
6	and I don't want you to think I'm not listening
7	accurately, but I also don't want to miss something
8	if I should have asked this question. Was there
9	anything else that you may have been asked about
10	one of the other lines that would have been off
11	that console during the day that stands out in your
12	memory?
13	A The one thing we did do is we had to start applying
14	3, and we had a problem on the startup. We lost a
15	station. A unit locked out on us on startup and we
16	got a high suction shutdown, so we had to do a

17 restart and Dave and I discussed that when it 18 happened.

- 19 Q About when was that, do you know? What time of
- 20 day?
- 21 A I'm sorry, I can't remember.
- 22 Q That's fine. No need. I'm sure we'll figure that
- 23 out. On line 3, because I'm not very familiar with
- all of these lines, what commodity are we moving?
- 25 A We're moving heavies and lights.
- 26 Q Okay. And so is there any time at all when any of
- 27 these lines are in common versus isolated?

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- 1 A I'm sorry, I don't understand.
- 2 Q Okay. Are there any -- is there any possibility
- 3 that any of these lines that are off of this
- 4 console can be ran in a common mode, meaning that
- 5 there's an interconnecting valve that's opened up
- 6 or not?
- 7 A Absolutely not.
- 8 Q Okay. All right. Thank you. That's what I needed
- 9 to know. So everything's separated. And have you
- 10 had any issues with any instrumentation on this
- 11 particular console's lines that you're aware of in

12 the past?

- 13 A Oh, there's -- it happens quite frequently, so for
- 14 me, I really couldn't remember one specific time,
- 15 but it does happen. We, you know, when it gets
- 16 really hot, sometimes the transmitters go. When it
- 17 gets really cold, sometimes the transmitters go,

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18	so, you know, there's variables there.
19 (Q Okay. Gotcha. And as far as you know, like when
20	you interface on this type of circumstance where
21	you've say maybe we did lose a transmitter or
22	maybe there's some other reason, we did have the
23	sloshing that occurred, but when this particular
24	type of thing happens, is you guys's standard
25	response always in play? Like do you always
26	contact the lead supervisor or forgive me if

27 I've eve referenced that person wrong -- or do you

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1	traditionally look to see if you've got a
2	communication loss or something on one of your
3	screens? How is that traditionally handled, or
4	typically handled might be a better word?
5	A It depends on what the alarm is. An MBS alarm we
6	would always take to our supervisors. A possible
7	communication problem, if it didn't clear within a
8	certain time and we couldn't reboot the computer,
9	then we would contact our supervisors.
10	Q Okay. So when you get done for the day or when
11	you've shut the line down and as far you have no
12	reason to suspect that any of the valve closures or
13	et cetera have not gone according to plan, then is
14	there a traditional set of things that you look at
15	to say, yes, this has gone as I would have thought,
16	like set of screens or typical elements that
17	you're, in your mind, checking?

- 18 A Because most of the -- like shutdowns are pretty
- 19 well all the same. We're trying to keep the column
- 20 separation places un -- or, you know, separate or
- 21 unseparated, I should say.
- 22 Q Right.
- 23 A And so basically if we've had a good shutdown,
- 24 we've done it within our procedures, then, you
- know, that's all we try to do.
- 26 Q Okay. So before, let's say, you were wrapping up
- 27 for a shift, is there a set, whether the line was,

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- 2 screens that you typically review before you would
- 3 hand it off to the next person?
- 4 A Yes. We would make sure our lines are in -- within
- 5 procedures, which is certain set points. And we
- 6 would make sure we knew when our next deliveries
- 7 were, that our times were set up, that kind of
- 8 information.
- 9 Q Okay. Can you describe for me what those screens
- 10 might be called? So if I'm checking set points,
- 11 what screen am I looking at?
- 12 A Just our line status, our line, yeah.
- 13 MR. GOESON: Display.
- 14 A Yeah, the line display.
- 15 Q MS. BUTLER: And if I'm checking my
- 16 delivery schedule, what am I looking at?
- 17 A The schedule.

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- 18 Q Okay. So the schedule, is that a computerized
- 19 document that you've got in front of you, or is
- 20 that something on the computer that is a separate
- 21 program?
- 22 A It's a hard copy and a computerized document we
- have.
- 24 Q Okay. When you have had your training, what are
- some abnormal operating conditions that you receive
- training on?
- 27 A I'll see if I can remember 30 years ago. We

- 1 certainly had training on column separations, on
- 2 leaks, on transmitter outages, on valve closures,
- 3 like anything that can possibly obstruct our
- 4 pipelines.
- 5 Q Okay. Were there any communications outages on
- 6 this particular line that you happen to remember on
- 7 that day?
- 8 A There was a comm. fail downstream of Stockbridge,
- 9 yes.
- 10 Q Do we know anything about that?
- 11 A It's --
- 12 Q Like why it --
- 13 A I'd have to look at the FacMan to see what kind of
- 14 information there.
- 15 Q All right. And if we were -- do you periodically
- 16 use historical trends or not?
- 17 A Absolutely.

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- 18 Q And is there -- is that your own tool? Like that's
- 19 within what Enbridge has designed, or is that like
- 20 a pie software or a database archiving tool?
- 21 A I believe it's an archiving tool, because we can
- 22 get historicals from other days, so...
- 23 Q Okay. Is that something that you traditionally
- 24 have up and running throughout the day?
- 25 A It's something we can -- we always have it
- available to us right away, yes.
- 27 Q Is that something you refer to in a shutdown or a

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- 1 startup?
- 2 A Not if everything seemed to have gone the way --
- 3 like if there was a problem, we certainly would
- 4 have used it, but we didn't feel there was a
- 5 problem, so we didn't use it.
- 6 Q Okay. And is there anything, like, looking back on
- 7 that day, because I'm sure you've had opportunity
- 8 to think about it over and over again probably, in
- 9 the last 24 hours, at least, is there anything that
- 10 sticks out to you that you wish you'd done
- 11 differently or that now you can see differently
- 12 than you did at that time?
- 13 A Well, I suppose we could always second guess
- 14 ourselves, but I feel that Dave did a really good
- 15 job on the shutdown, and I wasn't worried about it.
- 16 Q So basically there wasn't anything, even reflecting
- 17 back, that triggers that I wish I'd asked this

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- 18 additional question, or I just can't believe it?
- 19 Maybe that's your response.
- 20 A Basically that was it. When I walked in that next
- 21 night and they called me over, I was like what?
- 22 Q Okay. All right. So based on that, is there
- anything unique on this particular line compared to
- 24 your other lines? I know you mentioned line 3
- 25 obviously has some unique elevation changes. Is
- there anything on this particular line, on 6B, that
- 27 you would say is unique from -- it could be

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- 2 the transmitters are set up to your alarm set
- 3 points? Is there anything that you would consider
- 4 different or unique?
- 5 A Well, they're all kind of different because of the
- 6 elevation changes, but no, there's nothing --
- 7 nothing happens more there than anywhere else.
- 8 It's all pretty standard.
- 9 Q Okay. Is there anything that had recently changed
- 10 on that particular system, whether it would be
- 11 instrumentation, configurations in the field,
- 12 something in the SCADA room, a new policy or
- 13 procedure?
- 14 A The only thing that I know had changed was we'd had
- 15 our set points changed, our max set points changed
- 16 at Marshall and Mendon.
- 17 Q Okay. Do you happen to know what they were changed

18 from and to?

- 19 A I'm sorry, no. I look at way too many numbers.
- 20 Q No, that's fine. No problem, and that was
- 21 probably -- that's a great answer, so we'll figure
- that out. Then when you, as a controller, can you
- change alarm set point values on anything
- 24 particular like pressures?
- 25 A Absolutely. We can put -- we can set alarms on all
- our pressures.
- 27 Q I'm sorry, something beeped out.

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- 1 A Oh. Yes, we can put alarms on all of our
- 2 pressures.
- 3 Q So you can change your alarm pressure set points?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q In regards to that, can you change all of them,
- 6 like high highs, low lows? I don't know how many
- 7 levels that you particularly have on, says, a
- 8 discharge pressure set point.
- 9 A Absolutely not. That's up to our supervisors. The
- 10 only thing we can do is put an alarm on the
- 11 pressure itself.
- 12 Q Okay.
- 13 MR. GOESON: Yeah, Karen. So there's
- 14 hardwired, and then there's operated set.
- 15 Q MS. BUTLER: Okay. So part of them are
- 16 hardwired, all right. And you can put an alarm on
- 17 a point.

18 A Yes.

- 19 Q Is that what I heard? So forgive me. The phone
- 20 cut out again. Okay. So if we needed to know what
- 21 particular set points were in play on, say,
- 22 discharge pressure or section pressure sets points
- along the pipeline for that day, that would
- 24 definitely be something that's retrievable?
- 25 A Absolutely.
- 26 Q Okay. All right. When the pipeline is in, say, a
- shutdown condition on 6B, and can you guys still

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- 1 hear me?
- 2 A Yeah.
- 3 MR. GOESON: Yeah.
- 4 Q MS. BUTLER: My line sounded like it went
- 5 dead. Okay. When the pipeline's down, like in an
- 6 idle condition, we still have product in it, we've
- 7 done a normal shutdown, we know that it's just a
- 8 matter of time before you do an initial startup, is
- 9 there a typical pressure you would expect to see at
- 10 various points on the pipeline, and if so, can you
- 11 give me, like, a range?
- 12 A It would totally depend on how the shutdown
- 13 occurred, whether it was an emergency shutdown or a
- 14 controlled shutdown. I really --
- 15 Q Okay. In this case, it's a controlled shutdown,
- 16 just like we had on that day. Is there a typical
- amount of pressure you would look for, like, on

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- 18 your overall screen where you're checking at
- 19 various pump stations that would make your feel
- 20 it's comfortably down in idle mode?
- 21 A I suppose. I could come up with a number for you,
- 22 but it wouldn't always be that way, just because of
- the way the pipeline works. We could have had a
- 24 heavier crude or we could have had lighter crude,
- 25 which would make a total difference.
- 26 Q Okay. On that particular day, what were you
- 27 running, heavier or lighter?

- 1 A I'm sorry, I don't know.
- 2 Q And based on that heavier or lighter crude, does
- 3 that play with your imbalancing at all? Have you
- 4 noticed that if you're running one or the other,
- 5 you tend to get more leak alarms?
- 6 A I really couldn't answer that. I don't think we
- 7 do.
- 8 Q Okay.
- 9 MR. GOESON: Our MBS analysts might be able
- 10 to answer that question.
- 11 A M'hm.
- 12 Q MS. BUTLER: And just back to a normal
- 13 shutdown condition, if I were to say that the
- 14 pressure at a particular point went to five pounds,
- 15 would that alarm you?
- 16 A It depends on what was going on.
- 17 Q Okay. Under a normal shutdown and we're just --

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18	we're shutting down on that particular day, knowing
19	we have a pig in the line or two and when we start
20	back up, we'll start moving that pig again, that
21	we've shut down simply due to scheduling, what
22	would you expect to see? Would it be above five or
23	would it be point dependent in your mind?
24 A	A I, in my mind, I feel it would be above five, but
25	that would depend on many factors.
26 (Q Okay. If you were trying to set up for the person

27 coming in next, which I know how controllers love

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1	to make sure that the person coming on doesn't
2	complain behind them, would you have a certain
3	minimum level of pressure in the pipeline?
4	A We usually try to keep it around 150 to 200 PSI.
5	Q I think you mentioned at the very beginning that
6	there was a scheduling issue that was going to put
7	it down for, like, an hour and a half, and rather
8	than do that, you were just going to go ahead and
9	shut off Stockbridge, if I've got that right and
10	then rather than two stops and starts. Is there
11	a particular reason that it would have been
12	scheduled for two stops and starts that you're
13	aware of as opposed to one?
14	A That is something you would have to ask our
15	scheduling department. We try to keep the
16	shutdowns to a minimum as much as we can.
17	Q Okay. So is this something that traditionally, I

- 18 mean there's really nothing unusual about asking
- 19 them to modify the schedule?
- 20 A Absolutely not.
- 21 Q Okay. Is there anything that would have been
- different, due to the fact there was a pig in the
- 23 line, that strikes you on this?
- 24 A The only thing that was different was we would be
- 25 bypassing stations, and that is why they opened up
- 26 our set points at Marshall and Mendon is so that we
- 27 could run minimum flow and still bypass stations.

1	Q Okay. Is on bypassing stations, in any of the
2	configurations that you're aware of, if they had
3	opened an incorrect valve, is that something that
4	would be done from the control room, like if you
5	went and opened an inappropriate valve that
6	actually let product to go elsewhere. Or would
7	that be totally within the controller's discretion,
8	or could somebody out in the field have done that
9	and you not know it from the controller's screen?
10	A We have valves that are controlled by us and valves
11	that we have no control. On a bypass, the field
12	personnel would be doing the bypass. We would not.
13	Q Okay. And so because the field would actually
14	perform the bypass, would you be, then,
15	communicating with the field after they had moved
16	their valves, or they would tell you I have do
17	this, this, and this?

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- 18 A Normally when we're doing a by -- when we're asking
- 19 them to isolate a station, we would bring the
- 20 station schematic up and watch as the valves open
- and close.
- 22 Q So you can see the valves that they would be
- 23 impacting?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q As a general -- okay.
- 26 A Most of them.
- 27 Q Okay. Is there -- you mentioned also that

- 2 overwhelming with calls. Can you give me, like,
- 3 what that scenario is? Is that related to calls
- 4 due to maintenance activities or --
- 5 A Absolutely, yes.
- 6 Q Okay. So normally it would be maintenance
- 7 activities that would overwhelm. Is that true for
- 8 other consoles as well, or does this one have a
- 9 particular amount of maintenance because, say, of
- 10 the age of the line or things we've found in a
- 11 recent pig run or all of those factors?
- 12 A It just so happens that from our last pig runs,
- 13 we've had a lot more maintenance on the lines than
- 14 we'd had before -- in -- like since the new year,
- 15 so...
- 16 Q Is there any other type of maintenance going on?
- 17 Like are they changing out any instrumentation or

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- 18 replacing RTUs or anything else besides the fact
- 19 that we're doing more big digs?
- 20 A Absolutely. We get calls from the field personnel
- 21 to do seal checks on units and all -- and, like,
- and do transmitter checks on suction and discharge.
- 23 Like we get calls from the field at all times to do
- 24 maintenance.
- 25 Q Okay. So is there any system-wide changeouts going
- 26 on that could have impacted the amount of
- 27 maintenance happening? Like, you know, sometimes

1	people will say we're going to replace all of the
2	RTUs, like a certain type within a certain
3	timeframe. We're going to start at this station,
4	and we're going work our way up the line. Any of
5	that type of thing or transmitter replacements?
6	A Not as far as I know.
7	Q Okay. Regarding manual tests, is there anything
8	else that you might consider manual to your duties
9	besides, say, answering the phone and obviously
10	comparing these scheduling elements? Is there
11	anything else that you have to manually do while
12	you're operating the pipeline?
13	A Certainly. We have FacMan that we have to take
14	care of. Every time we have a unit outage, we have
15	to put a FacMan in or an alarm, communications
16	alarms. Like there's a number of things we have to
17	put in the FacMan program, and we also run CMT.

- 18 Q And the FacMan, as I recall, is like a maintenance
- 19 explaining what you need work on. Is that correct?
- 20 A It's what we need -- what -- the incoming jobs and
- also when we're -- when we lose units, we're
- sending a FacMan out to the field to get them to
- take a look at that.
- 24 Q Okay. And what is the CMT, again? Forgive me
- 25 for -- I want to make sure I get this element.
- 26 What is it actually controlling?
- 27 A It's our crude tracking system.

- 1 Q Okay. All right.
- 2 MR. GOESON: Commodity.
- 3 A Yeah.
- 4 MR. GOESON: Tracks the various commodities
- 5 for deliveries.
- 6 Q MS. BUTLER: Okay. So is CMT separate from
- 7 your scheduling system, or is that part of your
- 8 scheduling system?
- 9 A They're intermixed.
- 10 Q Okay. On the over and shorts that you're typically
- 11 running through your, I guess your material
- 12 balancing system, is that something that, I guess
- 13 you're pulling at regular intervals, correct, on
- 14 the pipeline?
- 15 A It's something that would be checked every two
- 16 hours.
- 17 Q Okay. And I did say that right, or did I say that

18 wrong regarding it would be through your MBS

19 system?

- 20 A No. It'd be through our CMT system.
- 21 Q Okay. Thank you. And when somebody begins to
- crank out a volume that may be impacted from a
- 23 spill like this particular one, are you guys in the
- 24 control room involved in that?
- 25 A I'm not quite sure what you mean, like...
- 26 Q Okay. When we think that we've had a leak and we
- think over a period of time it's released so much

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1		of the commodity or we've lost so much of the
2		commodity, would you guys, as controllers or
3		operators, to be correct, be involved with, say,
4		that volume estimate?
5	A	It's possible the engineering team may come in and
6		ask us what kind of rate we were doing, but as far
7		as a volume, I don't believe we would be saying
8		what that is.
9	Q	Okay. Is there any specific part of the training,
10		I know that you said he had operated much longer
11		and that you were completely confident with his
12		abilities, but is there any part of the training
13		that you hadn't quite covered yet?
14	A	No.
15	Ç	And were there any changes in the control room
16		while he was gone that would have impacted this
17		line?

18 A No.

- 19 Q Okay. Regarding your supervisory interaction, when
- 20 you went and asked questions, is that pretty
- 21 quickly addressed in most cases, or how has that
- 22 worked for you? And I know you're kind of at a
- 23 disadvantage, because I think maybe the
- 24 supervisor's in the room. I'm not sure. Is that
- 25 correct?
- 26 A No.
- 27 Q Okay. All right. So since the supervisor's not in

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1	the room, is the response to you when you as an
2	operator go and ask them, say you go with them with
3	this five-minute issue and then they go and resolve
4	it, is that frequently handled quickly or in amount
5	of time that it doesn't get in the way of impacting
6	your job?
7	A I feel they handled it very quickly.
8	Q Okay. All right. And as far as the leak detection
9	individuals themselves, do you have any
10	understanding of whether or not, say, something you
11	do can impact their system?
12	A I you would have to ask them that.
13	MS. BUTLER: Okay. I think with that we've
14	probably handled most of the questions. So thank
15	you very much.
16	A You're welcome.
17	MR. GULSTAD: I have some.

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18	MR. JENNER:	We'll continue on.
19	MR. GULSTAD:	Not that many, but I do have a
20	few here.	
21	A Okay.	
22	QUESTIONS BY MR.	GULSTAD:
23	Q MR. GULSTAD:	Are you historical assigned to
24	the 6B console or do	you kind of bounce around
25	between systems or a	are you considered an expert on
26	6B?	
27	A I operate line 4, 14,	6A, 6B, and line 3, so I go

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- 1 back and forth.
- 2 Q Okay. But previous shifts, have you been on 6B for
- 3 a while?
- 4 A I actually have, because we've been doing a lot of
- 5 training on our console, so they've been training
- 6 everyone on 4 and 14. So I actually have been on 6
- 7 and 3 quite a bit.
- 8 Q Do you recall what maybe the last shutdown
- 9 timeframe had been while you were on duty on 6B?
- 10 A I'm sorry, I'd have to look at a historical to find
- 11 that information.
- 12 Q How about anything unusual on 6B historically?
- 13 A Not really.
- 14 Q How long have you been sort of mentoring or
- 15 supervising Mr. Scott? Was this your first time,
- 16 or have you done it for many shifts?
- 17 A It's been over a month.

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18 Q And you mentioned he really hasn't had any

19 problems --

- 20 A Absolutely not.
- 21 Q -- picking it up again. Okay. Between Marshall
- and Stockbridge, are there any other points where
- 23 you receive pressure indications, or is there --
- are those --
- 25 A No.
- 26 Q So that 30-mile stretch, there's nothing that would
- tell you what the pressure is between there?

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- 1 A No.
- 2 Q Okay. What was the weather conditions along this
- 3 right-of-way? Do you know that when you come on
- 4 shift?
- 5 A That's not something that -- like if there's storms
- 6 in the area, that might be something that would
- 7 get -- or if it's really hot, because that causes
- 8 mechanical problems with our equipment. That would
- 9 be, you know, passed along, but other than that,
- 10 no, we don't check the weather.
- 11 Q Okay. But you don't know of anything unusual?
- 12 A No.
- 13 Q No thunderstorms or anything like that --
- 14 A No.
- 15 Q -- during that time frame? Had -- was Marshall
- 16 already bypassed by the time you came on shift?
- 17 A Marshall wasn't bypassed.

- 18 Q So it was being bypassed?
- 19 A It was running. No. It was Niles that was being
- 20 bypassed.
- 21 Q Okay. Because the pig was upstream.
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q You hadn't got there yet.
- 24 A That's right.
- 25 MR. GOESON: But that was Niles.
- 26 Q MR. GULSTAD: Okay. When was Marshall
- 27 scheduled to be bypassed then?

- 1 A You would have to look on the pig schedule. It
- 2 would have been a couple of days, anyway, for it to
- 3 get down there.
- 4 Q But when you come on shift, you know, like Niles,
- 5 you knew that had to be bypassed, because it was --
- 6 A Well, it already was bypassed, but, yes, we knew
- 7 that.
- 8 Q Okay. You mentioned been a long time since you've
- 9 been OQed, but don't you have to do that
- 10 periodically, get re-evaluated?
- 11 A I don't remember saying it's been a long time since
- 12 I've been OQed.
- 13 Q Well, when was the last time you would have been
- 14 OQed?
- 15 A It would have last year, I'm sure. I think we do
- 16 it every three years.
- 17 MR. GOESON: Three years.

- 18 MR. GULSTAD: Okay.
- 19 A So it was either last year or the year before.
- 20 MR. GULSTAD: Okay.
- 21 MR. GOESON: We have those records.
- 22 MR. GULSTAD: Okay.
- 23 A Yeah.
- 24 MR. GULSTAD: And just one more question.
- 25 Maybe, Curt, you can answer this. Do you know --
- 26 or do you get indications when you're patrolling
- 27 the pipeline from the pilots if there are issues,

- 1 and do you know when the last time it was
- 2 patrolled?
- 3 MR. GOESON: So, no, we don't know the last
- 4 time it was patrolled. I know the frequency is
- 5 approximately every two weeks, and if there are
- 6 issues, they call directly to the control centre,
- 7 issues being machines, presence of oil, those types
- 8 of things.
- 9 MR. GULSTAD: It might be something we might
- 10 want to check on just to see when the last patrol
- 11 was. I don't know if you've got that written down
- 12 somewhere or not.
- 13 Anyway, that's all that's all the questions I
- 14 have.
- 15 A All right.
- 16 MR. GULSTAD: Thanks.
- 17 MR. JENNER: Curt, do you have any

- 18 questions?
- 19 MR. GOESON: I don't have any questions.
- 20 QUESTIONS BY MR. JENNER:
- 21 Q MR. JENNER: Okay. Let me do some
- follow-ups.
- 23 A Sure.
- 24 Q Do you need a break?
- 25 A No, I'm fine.
- 26 Q Great, great. Every three years for your QC?
- 27 A M'hm. OQs, yes.

- 1 Q OQs, I'm sorry. Quality Control, OQs. Is there
- 2 other training that's annual?
- 3 A We do our emergency response training every year.
- 4 There is plenty of online training that we can do
- 5 if we feel -- and they do assign us certain online
- 6 training. Our training department assigns that, so
- 7 that's something we have to keep up with. So,
- 8 yeah, we have training all through the year.
- 9 Q Is there -- are simulators used as a type of
- 10 refresher training or just --
- 11 A In our emergency response training it is, yes.
- 12 Q Is that also annual or every two, three --
- 13 A That's every year. No, every year.
- 14 Q And it's been that way for a long time?
- 15 A Long time.
- 16 Q Because when you said earlier, "I have to think
- 17 back 30 years," I didn't really --

18	A Well, I thought you meant my initial I thought	
19	you said my initial training, which would have been	
20	30 years.	
21	MS. BUTLER:	Actually I asked the question,
22	and I said abnormal	operations, and that's probably
23	where it went.	
24	A Oh.	
25	MS. BUTLER:	So I didn't specify OQ.
26	MR. JENNER:	Just to clarify.
27	MS. BUTLER:	And that's probably why it was

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- 1 answered that way.
- 2 A Okay.
- 3 Q MR. JENNER: Okay. You have, I'm learning
- 4 the term, shift leads?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q These are supervisory type people.
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q You may be able to help us out more than you think.
- 9 Were -- how often do you interact with shift leads
- 10 during a typical shift?
- 11 A On our shift, our shift leads are constantly,
- 12 unless, you know, if we have a problem, we're
- 13 certainly up there talking to them about it or on
- 14 the phone talking about it, depends on what we're
- 15 doing on the pipeline. But they also interact
- 16 through the room all through the night and all
- 17 through the day. And we actually, on our shift,

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- 18 have shift meetings once our -- once a set where we
- 19 all discuss what's been going on on the pipelines,
- 20 and that kind of thing, so it's very interactive.
- 21 Q When you mentioned you notify a supervisor, is that
- 22 the term for shift leads, when it's --
- 23 A Yes, yes.
- 24 Q Is there one in particular on this day that you
- 25 were having discussions with?
- 26 A Well, they -- usually, what they do is they take --
- 27 since there's two of them, one goes on terminals,

- 1 and one goes on pipelines. So if there's a problem
- 2 on terminals, they go to one shift lead, and if
- 3 there's a problem on pipelines, we go to the other
- 4 one. So they're assigned one or the other way.
- 5 Ours was Allister.
- 6 Q So the other one you didn't have any dealings with
- 7 on --
- 8 A Well, except for when he came around and talked to
- 9 us about stuff.
- 10 Q But in terms of bringing something to his
- 11 attention.
- 12 A Yeah. No.
- 13 Q So it was just Allister you were calling?
- 14 A Yes, yes.
- 15 Q And the question was asked earlier. I'm not sure
- 16 of the response, what your response was, but in
- 17 terms of how quickly they are to resolve a problem

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- 18 or come back with an answer and, in this case,
- about the column separation they came back with an
- 20 answer for that, how long, do you recall, did it
- 21 take for them to come to that conclusion?
- 22 A Well, as soon as we told them that we got the
- alarm, they were speaking with the MBS people, and
- 24 we got a call back saying it was a column sep.
- 25 before the alarm cleared in five minutes. So it's
- 26 quite quick. They try to get it resolved for us as
- 27 quickly as possible.

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- 1 Q And if I can get you to narrow it down as quickly
- 2 as possible, a few minutes?
- 3 A Oh, yeah.
- 4 Q 10 to 5 minutes, 10 minutes?
- 5 A For this particular case, it was within 5 minutes.
- 6 Q Within 5 minutes, okay. We've been asking a lot
- 7 about the column separation for a reason. You were
- 8 notified the next day, I guess, that there was a
- 9 release?
- 10 A M'hm.
- 11 Q And you had done some thinking about your shift,
- 12 about the previous shift that you were supervising.
- 13 Have you had time to reflect on those activities
- 14 that occurred that day?
- 15 A Like I said, we can always second guess what we do,
- 16 but we felt at the time that we'd done exactly what
- 17 we were supposed to.

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- Q Knowing what you know now, and this is -- and I'm 18 19 asking this from a position of what can we do to 20 make industry safer in terms of technology, in 21 terms of training, in terms of whatever, what you 22 know now, what could be done differently in terms 23 of identifying problems, potential problems? A I don't know, possibly MBS system getting so that 24 25 it doesn't -- it knows more. I don't know. That's not my job to think about that. 26
 - 27 Q Again, with the column separation, from what you

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- 1 know now, was that the -- and I understand there's
- 2 different the information that you have then
- 3 versus -- we were all Monday morning quarterbacks.
- 4 A Yeah.
- 5 Q So was that an accurate conclusion, analysis,
- 6 column separation, or do you think, from what you
- 7 know now, there was a different type of problem
- 8 besides column separation?
- 9 A Well, obviously there was, so...

10 Q Okay.

- 11 A At the time, if it hadn't cleared, then we would
- 12 have certainly looked at it a lot more than we did,
- 13 but since it cleared right away, it was of no
- 14 concern to us then.
- 15 Q Right. And that I understand. Is there
- 16 information, and, again, from an overall safety
- 17 perspective, is there information available to you

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- 18 that can draw your attention to it saying it may
- 19 not be a column separation, it may be something
- 20 else? What can you do to gather information, or is
- 21 it available?
- 22 A Well, certainly we can look at our historicals and
- all that kind of thing, but we would only do that
- 24 if we were thinking there was a problem.
- 25 Q Right.
- 26 A And since the alarm cleared, we didn't feel there
- 27 was a problem, so we didn't do that.

- 1 Q Right. Something has to trigger you --
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q - to think along those lines, and that's always
- 4 something that's interesting to me when we say why
- 5 didn't they do this? Something has to initiate
- 6 your interest, your curiosity.
- 7 A Right.
- 8 Q The alarm clearing told you we're good to go.
- 9 A Yeah.
- 10 Q Is there anything that we can build into a system
- 11 to say alarm clearing is -- we can give you some
- 12 more information besides the alarm clearing?
- 13 A I suppose you would have to talk to MBS about that.

14 Q Okay.

- 15 A Because, I mean, we just followed our procedures,
- 16 and that's basically all we can do.
- 17 Q Right. We have two people with 60 years of

18 experience.

19 A M'hm.

- 20 Q And that's a ton, and I'm thinking about what are
- 21 the people with less experience, how can we get
- them to, you know, pick up on things that two
- 23 people with so much experience are not alerted to.

24 A Right.

- 25 Q So I'm sort of not really asking a question. I'm,
- 26 you know, if you have any thoughts about making a
- 27 system safer.

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- 1 A I really don't know.
- 2 Q Okay.
- 3 A I really don't.
- 4 Q I was throwing that out.
- 5 A Yeah, I wish I had an answer, but...
- 6 Q Okay. I'm going to change pace on you just a bit.
- 7 Can you tell me the shifts -- I'm just interested
- 8 in your schedule. What shifts did you work prior
- 9 to Sunday?
- 10 A I worked Friday, Saturday, and Sunday day shifts.
- 11 Q And does that mean you have Thursday scheduled off?
- 12 A Yes. I would have been in Friday morning.
- 13 Q Same time, same starting time?
- 14 A M'hm.
- 15 Q Some standard questions about your background. How
- 16 is your health?
- 17 A Good.

- 18 Q Are you on any type of medications or anything?
- 19 A Absolutely not.
- 20 Q When you began your shift, did you feel well
- 21 rested, prepared?
- 22 A M'hm. Usually. The first shift sometimes you
- 23 don't sleep as well as you do the second shifts,
- but that's just the whole alarm, you know, well,
- 25 geez, my alarm's not going to go off kind of thing,
- 26 just a nerve thing.
- 27 Q I see. But you felt pretty good --

- 1 A Oh, yeah.
- 2 Q -- overall, you know, overall in the day?
- 3 A Yeah.
- 4 Q Oh, were you asked to -- I think the answer is --
- 5 well, let me ask it. Were you asked to provide
- 6 samples for post-accident toxicology?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q All right. I won't get into details of that. Did
- 9 the procedure go -- any problems with the
- 10 procedure?
- 11 A No, it was fine.
- 12 MR. JENNER: I think that's my second
- 13 round, and then we'll just throw it again for any
- 14 last followups.
- 15 Karen?
- 16 QUESTIONS BY MS. BUTLER:
- 17 Q MS. BUTLER: Yeah, when you said that you

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- 18 have experience on line 4, 14, 6A, 6B, 3, I think,
- and 6B you have been on recently, is that because
- 20 those particular 4 and 14, they're considered
- 21 within that same console grouping, I think group 1?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q Okay. And on your shift rotations, then, because I
- 24 don't remember exactly what Dave said, are you on
- 25 the same rotations as he is?
- 26 A As Dave is? Yes.
- 27 Q Yes. Okay. And has that been that way for a

- 1 while, and it's going to continue that way for a
- 2 while, or do you know?
- 3 A I'm sure it's going to continue. He is going to be
- 4 transferring to work with Steve Gold once I go on
- 5 vacation, and I believe Steve goes back and forth
- 6 on the pipelines also.
- 7 Q Okay. And then regarding the cleared and
- 8 automatic, when you guys shut down, is there
- 9 anything or any software that you're aware of that
- 10 automatically is triggered because the line's down,
- 11 and it prevents you from getting leak alarms?
- 12 A No.
- 13 Q Okay. Is there anything that raises or removes set
- 14 point values on alarms automatically when you're
- 15 shutdown versus running, like, based on valve
- 16 configuration?
- 17 A No, not that I know of.

18	MS. BUTLER:	All right. I think that was
19	my last wrap-ups.	
20	MR. JENNER:	Okay. Thanks, Karen.
21	Rick?	
22	MR. GULSTAD:	No, nothing else.
23	MR. JENNER:	Okay. Nothing else, nothing
24	else.	
25	MR. GOESON:	Safe. I wasn't two hours.
26	A Oh, really.	
27	MR. JENNER:	Well, let me just formally

- 1 conclude. First of all, that you very much --
- 2 A Oh, you're welcome.
- 3 MR. JENNER: -- for being here, and we know
- 4 it is a bit of an inconvenience, but we do
- 5 appreciate, you know, the information. If -- I've
- 6 already asked you if you think there's any changes
- 7 in rules, regulations, hardware, software to make a
- 8 system safer, if there's any time that you think,
- 9 a-ha, this is what we can do, you know, I encourage
- 10 you to let us know.
- 11 A M'hm.
- 12 MR. JENNER: Because you have a ton of
- 13 experience, so, you know, you're a valuable asset.
- 14 A Yeah. Well, I have been, over the last three
- 15 years, doing development stuff, so -- just coming
- 16 up with ideas on how to do things. So if I think
- 17 of anything, I'll let you know.

- 18 MR. JENNER: Terrific. If there's nothing
- 19 else, we'll conclude this interview.
- 20 A Thank you.
- 21 MS. BUTLER: Can I ask one more on the
- 22 record? It's just very simple.
- 23 MR. JENNER: We'll go back on the record.
- 24 QUESTIONS BY MS. BUTLER:
- 25 Q MS. BUTLER: And that is can you take
- 26 points on and off scan as a controller?
- 27 A No.

- 1 Q Okay. Thank you.
- 2 MR. JENNER: Okay. That concludes. Thank
- 3 you.
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- 5 WHICH WAS ALL THE EVIDENCE GIVEN TO 5:07 P.M.
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- 1 Q Okay. Thank you.
- 2 MR. JENNER: Okay. That concludes. Thank

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