

Exhibit 17.

Party to the Investigation - Representative / Sign-off documentation³⁸⁹ –
 Technical Review and Accuracy Acknowledgement of Survival Factors - Factual Report
 (DRAFT document, dated 27 Feb. 2008)



National Transportation Safety Board
 Office of Railroad, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Investigations
 Human Performance and Survival Factors Division
 490 L'Enfant Plaza, SW.
 Washington, DC 20594

Investigation Case Ref.

DCA 08 MP 001

*Failure of Dixie Pipeline Company Pressurized Underground Pipeline, and Subsequent
 Liquid Propane Release and Fire, near Carmichael, MS, on November 1, 2007*

Date: 28 February 2008 via email (pdf file) delivery, with attached Draft documents
 Subj: Transmittal of text content of the **Survival Factors Factual Report** of the Investigation –
DRAFT - dated 27 February 2008
 To: Survival Factors Working Group / Party to the Investigation - Designated Representatives
 (see Distribution, below)
 From: Richard M. Downs, Jr. Survival Factors / Working Group Chairperson
 Office (202) 314-6414 Fax (202) 314-6482
 cc: Rod Dyke Investigator in Charge

In reference to the above investigation, attached (in two parts) please find the subject Draft document, as compiled to-date in this investigation.

As the designated Survival Factors Working Group representative for your organization of the *Parties to the Investigation*, this Draft document is provided for your detailed technical review and acknowledgment signature (and written commentary / corrections, if any). Your concurrence signature indicates that you, as the designated Party representative of your organization, are in agreement that the attached document is a factually accurate representation of the Survival Factors information collected, to the extent of your participation in, or contribution to, this investigation. Please note, this Draft provides the text of the report only; excluded (as nonessential for Draft purposes) are the contents of some associated Exhibits (presently being compiled / awaiting information), and Photographs (which will be provided in a separate Addendum to this Report), etc. Also, this Draft is provided for your **confidential review**, and is not for public distribution at this time. A copy of final Survival Factors Factual Report, incorporating updated information or Party comments, as received in this Draft review process, will be available upon Party acknowledgement sign-off, and subsequent placement into the NTSB Public Docket.

Accordingly, if you are in agreement, or disagreement, with this enclosed document, **please respond** your reply signature / comments, by return email, Fax, or mail, **by the CoB – Thursday, 13 March 2008, latest**.

To facilitate your response, you may simply Fax back to me the second page of this document (to the Fax number noted therein) with a **signature** and a **reply indication** (check-off, in the box provided), and/or commentary (if brief)¹. Additional comments, and/or supplementary factual information, may be

¹ If substantial, or extensively detailed / technical commentary is offered for consideration, Party representatives are requested to please transmit their response content also via e-mail (typed, and ready for potential insertion into the report), to facilitate accurate transmittal of proposed text. Kindly advise this writer in advance, if this is the case.

³⁸⁹ note – (a) this documentation is provided as an administrative element of the investigation, which includes page 1 of the Transmittal [as an exemplar] and responded signature pages by the Party representatives, and (b) where also original signatures / fax numbers / personal email addresses, etc., have been obscured [as a security consideration].

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Response by (name printed) Robert Larry Fleming

Signature [signature obscured (as a security consideration)] Date 3-6-08

Organization Carmichael Vol. Fire Dept

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Response by (name printed) Timothy Billiot

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Organization USDOT/PHMSA/PHP (Pipeline Safety Program)

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