

On January 4, 2010 we received an answer of 'No Records' to our Freedom of Information Act Request #2010-01392-F. In the FOIA request we asked for: "We would also like copies of the maintenance records and cathodic testing records for the 8 inch Jet Fuel pipeline."

We are appealing that answer for the following reasons:

1. An email from the Public Affairs Office that acknowledges in it's content that they found records on Base and relayed a summary:

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Subject: Pipeline questions
Date: December 3, 2009 4:39:10 PM PST
To: anthonyM_HCRSC@comcast.net

Mr. Moscarelli,

In response to the questions in your 26 Oct letter about the pipeline:

The pipeline is made of coated carbon steel. It has cathodic protection, which is checked monthly by our electrical shop. The entire cathodic protection system is tested and repaired annually by certified engineers.

The area where the leak occurred was replaced in 1996 so it is 13 years old. However, the rest of the line is more than 50 years old.

I hope this answers your questions.

Respectfully,

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2. A letter (See Attached) from formal Travis AFB Commander Colonel Steven J. Arquette dated January 23, 2008 to The Pipeline Safety Trust stating:

"In response, this letter addresses Travis AFB's compliance with federal pipeline safety regulations, proper pipeline operations and maintenance, " Also in this letter: "We are aware of federal and state regulations governing pipeline training, operation, maintenance, inspection, public education and safety requirements. The U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Pipeline Safety and Hazardous Materials Administration reviews and provides comments to our ICP, in accordance

with their policy guidelines. The most recent review was completed on June 20, 2006.”

This shows that there are records collected on the Base for The U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Pipeline Safety and Hazardous Materials Administration to review.

Colonel Arquette’s letter responded to a letter from The Pipeline Safety Trust dated January 14, 2008 . In essence the information was found in 9 days.

Maintenance should have some if not all anode types and valve records as asked for in the original FOIA.

Sara E. Underwood, Base Community Planner, 60 CES/CECP back in 2008 was also knowledgeable in helping finding persons in Engineering.

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