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OFFENSE REPORT

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1. Offense INFORMATION		2. Classification ACCIDENTAL DEATH		TN 07400110	56 YEAR	09 MONTH	17 DAY	1737	
3. Location of Incident DIVIDENRIDGE RD LAST RES. UNID-WALKER 2				4. Zone	3. Date/Time Occurred 09-17-88 1737		6. Date/Time Police Arrived 09-17-88-1737		
7. Victim STEVEN C. WINFREY		Sex M	Race W	D.O.B. N/A	8. Home Address WILSON ST. GREENBURGER TN			9. Phone	
10. Business Address N/A		11. Business Phone N/A		12. Person Arrested N/A		Sex	Race	D.O.B.	
13. Complainant WALTER PHILLIP		Sex	Race	D.O.B.	14. Home Address RT #2 BOX 301 GOODLETSVILLE			15. Phone	
16. Witnesses' Name a.		Sex	Race	D.O.B.	17. Home Address a.			18. Phone a.	
b.					b.			b.	
19. VEHICLE NONE		a. License No. (LIC)	b. State	c. Year	d. Type	e. Vehicle Identification No. (VIN)		f. Year	
g. Make		h. Model		1. Style					
j. Color		k. Other Description or Damage							
20. WEAPON		Gen. Description		Serial # (SN)	Make	Caliber	Type		
21. PROPERTY		Description							22. Total Value
23. Reporting Officer HILLIARD, CHARLES		Badge 435AT	Unit 436	24. Approving Supervisor					
24. NARRATIVE: Give All Information Necessary, Tell Who, What, When, Where, Why And How The Incident Occurred. Give Detailed Descriptions Of Any Suspects. All Witnesses' Names, Sex, Race, D.O.B., Addresses And Phone Numbers Should Be Recorded. If A Juvenile Is Involved In Any Way In This Offense, List His Parents' Or Guardians' Names, Addresses And Phone Numbers As Well As The School He Attends.									
ON SEPT. 17-88 AT 5:37 PM. WHILE ON DIVIDEN RIDGE ROAD A SUBJECT									
FLAGGED ME DOWN AND STATED THAT THEIR'S A BOY THATS DOWN AND HAS									
STOP BREATHING. AT THIS TIME MYSELF AND OFFICER BARRY CAUENDER WENT									
INSIDE THE RESIDENT AND FOUND A WHITE MALE JUVENILE IN THE FLOOR WITH									
SEVERAL SUBJECTS WERE AROUND THE KID. AT THIS TIME A NEIGHBOR STATED THAT									
THE YOUNG BOY GOT INTO AN ELECTRIC FENCE THAT WAS INSIDE THE DOG PEN.									
OFFICE CAUENDER AND ANOTHER SUBJECT I IDENTIFIED AS PAM OLAN STARTED									
C.P.R. ON THE SUBJECT WHILE I DISPATCHED THE AMBULANCE SERVICE, RIDGETOP									
FIRE DEPT. AND WANDERBILT'S LIFE-FLIGHT TO THE SCENE. APPROX 15 MIN LATER THE									
AMBULANCE ARRIVED AND TOOK OVER C.P.R. UNTIL LIFE FLIGHT ARRIVED. JUST A SHORT									
TIME AFTER LIFE FLIGHT WAS IN ROUTE TO WANDERBILT HOSPITAL WITH THE									
SUBJECT.									
THE OWNER OF THE RESIDENT STATED THAT THE MOTHER OF THE 4 YEAR OLD BOY,									
NANCY WINFREY LEFT THE CHILD AT HIS RESIDENT WHILE SHE WENT BACK HOME									
MR. PHILLIP STATED THAT THE KIDS WERE OUTSIDE PLAYING AND THEY NOTICED									
THAT THEY DID NOT SEE STEVEN (THE VICTIM) PLAYING WITH THE OTHER KIDS.									
THEY GOT UP AND LOOKED OUT AND SAW STEVEN LYING OVER INSIDE THE DOG PEN									
OVER THE ELECTRIC FENCE.									
END OF PAGE ONE									
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<p>MR PHILLIP RAY RAN OUT BACK GOT THE BULL AND BROUGHT HIM INSIDE THE RESIDENT JUST AS WE PULLED INTO THE DRIVEWAY. MR. PHILLIP AND I WENT OUT TO THE DOG PEN TO LOOK AT THE FENCE AND HE STATED THAT THE FENCE WAS A 24 VOLT ELECTRIC FENCE THAT WAS PKT INSIDE THE DOG PEN TO KEEP THE DOGS AWAY FROM THE MAIN FENCE. THE MAIN FENCE STANDS ABOUT 3 1/2 FT WITH THE ELECTRIC FENCE ABOUT A FOOT FROM THE GROUND ON THE INSIDE.</p> <p>THE MOTHER, NANCY WINEREE WAS NOTIFIED AND WAS TRANSPORTED TO VANDY'S HOSPITAL BY HER BROTHER. MRS. WINEREE'S DAUGHTER WAS AT THE RESIDENT AT THE TIME WITH MR. AND MRS. PHILLIPS.</p> <p>MYSELF AND DEP. CAWENOR LEFT THE SCENE AT 6:32 P.M. AND AT 7:19 I RECEIVED A CALL FROM VANDERBILT HOSPITAL AND WAS TOLD THAT THE 4 YEAR OLD WHITE MALE JUVENILE DID NOT MAKE IT.</p>								
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INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Case No. 88-4298-261

TN0740000				
ORI	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	TIME

OFFENSE: Homicide / Accidental
DATE & TIME OCCURED: 9/17/88 @ 1737
VICTIM: Steven Dewayne Winfrey
ADDRESS: P.O.Box 303, Greenbrier Tenn 37073
PHONE NUMBER: None

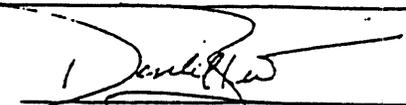
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Further it was learned that the mother of victim is the sister of Walter Phillips, She (Wanda Winfrey) further told me that she did not have any type of insurance coverage on the victim that would pay in case of death, She (Wanda Winfrey) further signed a affidavit giving Vanderbilt Hospital permission to release all medical records concerning the victim to this agency.

(When all information is obtained and this file completed, Mrs Winfrey wishes that a complete copy of this file be mailed to her at the above adress)

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TN0740000	88	09	17	1737
QRI	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	TIME

OFFENSE: Homicide / Accidental

DATE & TIME OCCURED: 9/17/88 @ 1737

VICTIM: Steven C Winfree DOB/ 9/24/84

ADDRESS: Wilson Street, Greenbrier Tenn

PHONE NUMBER: None

NARRATIVE: On 9/19/88, I recieved a copy of an offense report from Det Sgt Green, the report showed that the above victim had died from an electrical shock from a fence at the Phillips residence located on dividing ridge road in Ridgetop Robertson County Tenn. A summary shown on the report by Patrol Sgt Hilliard showed that he and officer Cavender where on patrol in the area when they where flagged to stop by a subject on a three wheeler and told that a young boy had stoped breathing at the Phillips residence, according to the report they arrived at the residence to find the child unconciouse and found him not to be breathing where Deputy Cavender and a niighbor began C.P.R. on the child while Sgt Hilliard Called for further assistance. Hilliard further revealed im his report that the victims mother Nancy winfree dropped the child off at the residence earlier that day and that he and the other children where playing in the back yard area of the residence when a short while later he (Walter Phillips) noticed that the victim was not playing with the other children when he went to investigaye he found the child on the inside of the dog pen laying over the electric fence that lines the inner side of the dog pen. At that Time the child was taken into the house by family members and afterwards he was flown out to Vanderbuilt Hospital by Life Flight. Hilliards report further stated that he recieved a call

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OFFENSE: _____

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VICTIM: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

NARRATIVE: from officials (unknown accordind to the report) from Vanderbuilt Hospitol that told him that the child died

..... INVESTIGATORS NOTE..... : On 9/19/88 I recieved this information as previously described, an investigator was not notified at the time of the incident therefor the following information was obtained by myself during a follow up investigation some 48 hours later.

On 9/19/88 I furter spoke with officer Cavender who also was at the scene of the incident, he could not add any further information other than it appeared that Mr Phillips or someone at the residence had possibly been cunsuming some alcoholic type beverages for there was a couple of budweiser cans setting on a table at the rear porch area where they said they where setting, Further that Mr Phillips looked according to the reddish complexion to the face to have had a few beers but did not appear to Cavender to be intoxicated. Further that he (Cavender) observed the dog pen and from his memory he told me that he belives that there where two stands of electrical fence wire around the inner side of the pen, further that one of the m was approximatly one foot from the ground, Cavender further told me that he observed a burn or bruise mark on the leg of the child that appeared to have been caused by a wire or some type. He further told me that there was no other marks such as bruising or laseration s or contusions that he saw on the body of the child and that he :

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VICTIM: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

NARRATIVE: was dressed in a pair on sneakers, short pants and shirt.
After speaking with Deputy Cavender, I drove to the location
of the incident where I observed the residence, It being a small
white frame hose having a front and rear concrete porch area, furthe
r having an add on onning type car port to the west side of the resi
dence, further having a small wooden storage shed located directly
to the rear of the back porch of the residence being approximatly
15 feet from the porch, further the before mentioned dog pen was
located to the rear of the shed attatched to the rear of the shed
The pen was made of wooden post placed approximatly 8 to 9 feet apart
having what appeared to be 36 inch by 4X4 farming fence attatched
on the outer side of the post and to the rear of the shed. The meas
urements of the pen where approximatly :36 foot deep and 42 feet in
width, measurements where stepped off being 12 steps by 14 steps.
I furter examined the described pen and was unable to locate the
electric wireing as described by Sgt Hilliard in his report or by
Deputy Cavender whom I had previously talked with. I further observe
d two chow dogs that occupy the pen. Afterwards I walked to a neigh
bors residence located due west of the residence, there I spoke with
a White male and female who told me that they where at home when the
incident occured but that they where mowing the yard and did not know
that anything had occured until the emergency vehicles had began to

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DATE & TIME OCCURED: _____

VICTIM: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

NARRATIVE: arrive at the residence. They further told me that the entire family was at the funeral home at the time of my visit and further that since the incident that Mr Phillips had taken the electric fence down. Afterwards I went back to the residence where I obtained my camera and photographed the residence, shed and dog pen described earlier. Further a Mr Winfree, app 18 Y.O.A. arrived at the residence and was obviously grief stricken by the death of his younger brother, he took me to the rear of the residence and took out a control box that operated the electric fence and gave it to me and further told me that I was welcome to look around the residence if I wished, further that he was not at the residence the day of the incident but that his uncle (Mr Phillips) was also very upset as to what had happened. Afterwards I took the control Box to my unit where I examined it closely and further photographed it. and afterwards listed all pertinent information as follows:

Produced by: FIDO-SHOCK inc. 5360 National Drive, Knoxville Tenn, 37914. "Solid State Pet Deterent electric fence controller". Power by 110-120 Volt, 60 Hz Ac. "DANGER" Any Alterations to the designe of this charger may cause seriouse electrical shock. Further showes an intermittent output of current and showes to be used with 12 to 20 quage wire only. Model # SS-750. also below is a square silver sticker with B-6 labeled on it. The device is U/L listed No. 11N0. Serial

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NARRATIVE: No. G-04346, also a code No. 305-159 in the lower left corner. Also in the lower center of the device is a label listed "Use 1/16 Amp time delay fuse only " I further upon examining the two fuses contained in the device found them to be 1/4 Amp, 250 Volt No 313 each both showing manufacturer code as L F Fuse. Both fuses being four times the strength recomended by the manufacturer

After leaving the Phillips residence, I returned to my office where I called the Vanderbuilt Emergency room to find out what the results of the autopsy that I understood that they had performed. I was told by a nurse there that they did not perform an autopsy that the body was sent to the metro medical examiners office. Afterwards I contacted the medical examiners office where I spoke with Doctor Simpkins. He further told me that he did not perform an autopsy that the body was brought to there office simply for record purposes only. He further told me that the probable cause for death was cardiac arrest due to an electrical shock. he further told me that the victim had a small burn on the left posterior wrist, also to the rear of the right knee joint. Doctor Simpkins further told me that he did not examine the victim that he recieved his information from the Vanderbuilt Emergency room report and he further was unable to tell me the Doctor name who examined the victim.

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NARRATIVE: Afeterwards I obtained the name and phone number of the Doctor who was a Dr Brian Gibler, Phone No. 353-0327. I called Mr Gibler and after he verified my position I asked him pertinent questions about the victim, He told me that the child was brought into the emergency room in full cardiac arrest and that hte family told him that the child had been shocked by an electric fence, He further told me that the family was obviously grief stricken and that he did not suspect any foul play, He further told me that he could not offer any information as to the crime scen itself but that there was a burn mark on the leg of the victim and that it appeared that it could have been caused by an electrical fence, I further ask the Doctor if a small amperage such as the before mentioned control box could have caused the childs heart from beating, he then told me that he was not familiar with electricity and that it was the first case of this nature that he had seen but that all he knows is that an electrical shock can and on some occasions will stop the heart from beating. I was unable to obtain any further information from Dr Gibler. After speaking with him I prepared an authorization for medical imformation release form in wich I plan to have a family member signe and obtain all medical records pertaining to this case.

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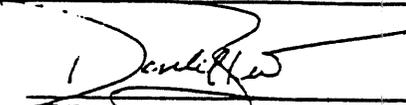
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Greenbrier 4-year-old dies after shock from fence

From Banner staff reports

GREENBRIER — A 4-year-old Greenbrier boy died Saturday around 7:30 p.m. after he apparently stumbled into an electric fence and was severely shocked, according to Robertson County Sheriff's deputy Charles Hillard.

The child, Steven C. Winfree, and his sister were visiting the home of Walter Phillip of Dividing Ridge Road in Greenbrier about 23 miles north of Nashville.

Phillip told police the boy was playing with some other children about 5:30 p.m. Saturday in the backyard when he

stumbled into an electric fence inside a dog pen.

The 24-volt electric fence is used, Phillip said, to keep the dogs away from the fence surrounding the pen.

The child, the son of Steven Carl and Wanda Winfree of Maple Street, was taken by the Lifeflight helicopter to Vanderbilt University Medical Center, where he later died.

While on their way to the scene, Robertson County Emergency Medical Service workers notified Vanderbilt about the situation.

The emergency helicopter flew to the scene and landed in the neighborhood, according to

Robertson County Emergency Services Director Bob Fletcher.

"The sheriff's deputy was already on the scene so they started CPR," Fletcher said.

Winfree's body has been taken to Nashville General Hospital to be examined, Vanderbilt officials said today.

Robertson County Chief Deputy Milton Frederick said the department is still investigating the incident.

"We'll probably have a comprehensive report later today," Frederick said.

Frederick said officials are investigating to see if the fence was operating properly when the child fell on it.

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ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION REQUEST FORM

Document Number R8A0117A1

Date of Incident 9/17/88 Category I.D. SECT1519F9

Follow-up Requested Hazard Analysis Section 15

Type Follow-up Requested Telephone Call On-Site

Headquarters Contact Dave Johnson 492-6608

Assignment Message Conduct an investigation of the electric fence related deaths reported in the attached news article. Contact local officials for information on the product, the accident scenarios and the causes (malfunction of unit). Obtain a copy of any report regarding this death, including that of any analysis of the product.

Person(s) to Contact Co. Sheriff Det Charles H. Roberts, Ohio Deputy Milton Frederick Greenburg, Ill

Guideline _____

Requested By Quacken

Task Number 221150002060

Assigned to Chi Date 11/15/88

FIELD ACTIVITY COVERSHEET

1. REGION/STATE FOCR/ATL-SO	2. OPERATION (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Inspection <input type="checkbox"/> Establishment Visit <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone Contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Investigation <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	3. DATE 12/01/88 4. NUMBER (For RO Use) 881115CCC2060
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5. ESTABLISHMENT
 Name Fi-SHOCK, Inc.
 Address 530 National Drive
 City Knoxville State TN Zip 37914 Telephone No. (615) 524-7384

6. RELATED FIRM Parent Headquarters Subsidiary Other
 Name _____ City _____ State _____

7. PRODUCTS COVERED
FIDO SHOCK Pet Deterrent

8. OTHER CONSUMER PRODUCTS
N/A

9. ESTABLISHMENT TYPE N/A
 Manufacturer Importer
 Wholesaler Own Label Distributor
 Retailer Repackager
 Other _____

10. ANNUAL PRODUCTION N/A
 Products Covered \$ _____ Units _____
 Other Products \$ _____ Units _____

11. I.S. BUSINESS N/A
 % Received _____
 % Shipped _____

12. SAMPLES COLLECTED
None

13. MIS CODE
32626

14. HOURS
 Activity 14
 Travel 4

15. REASON FOR ACTIVITY (Assignment Reference)
In Depth Investigation #881115CCC2060

16. EMPLOYEE'S NAME David M. Galanti	TITLE PSI	SIGNATURE <i>David M. Galanti</i>
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17. ENDORSEMENT REMARKS SUMMARY OTHER

A 4 year old boy was electrocuted when he fell across an electric "Pet Deterrent" fence. There were no witnesses to the incident. The victim's adult relatives found the victim after they had missed him from playing for a few minutes.

The victim's uncle installed the electrically charged fence. When the uncle was putting the fence up he found that the recommended 1/16 amp fuses would blow each time power was supplied to the control box. The victim's uncle inserted 2-1/4 amp fuses into the control box and the fence worked. The victim's aunt stated that the only way to get the fence to work was to use stronger fuses than those recommended.

The electric fence had been discarded at the time of the investigation. The investigator was unable to obtain the control box as a sample and for examination due to possible future litigation.
 F/U: An inspection of the manufacturer will be assigned.

18. REVIEWER'S NAME George L. Lester	TITLE SPSI	SIGNATURE <i>George L. Lester</i>
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19. REVIEW DATE DISTRIBUTION
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EPIDEMIOLOGIC INVESTIGATION REPORT

1. CASE NO. 881115CCC2060		2. INVESTIGATOR'S ID 8 9 3 5		3. OFFICE CODE 8 3 8	
4. DATE OF ACCIDENT YR MO DAY 8 8 0 9 1 7		5. DATE INVESTIGATION INITIATED YR MO DAY 8 8 1 2 0 6			
6. SYNOPSIS OF ACCIDENT OR COMPLAINT <u>A four year old male victim died of Cardiac/Respiratory arrest after receiving an electric shock by falling across a electric dog fence. The victim was playing "frisby" with his cousin and was attempting to retrieve the toy which had inadvertently gone over the fence. Examination of the controller for the electric dog fence identified two fuses which were four times the strength recommended for use by the manufacturer.</u>					
7. LOCATION (Home, school, etc.) Home - Back Yard		8. CITY 1 1 Ridge Top		9. STATE Tennessee T N	
10A. FIRST PRODUCT Electric Wire 0 6 0 5		11A. TRADE/BRAND NAME, MODEL NUMBER, MANUFACTURER & ADDRESS "FIDO-SHOCK", Model #SS-750 FI-Shock Inc., 5360 National Drive, Knoxville, TN			
10B. SECOND PRODUCT None		11B. TRADE/BRAND NAME, MODEL NUMBER, MANUFACTURER & ADDRESS N/A			
12. AGE OF VICTIM 0 0 4	13. SEX (Use numerical code) MALE - 1 FEMALE - 2 UNKNOWN - 3 1	14. DISPOSITION Fatality 8		15. INJURY DIAGNOSIS Electric Shock 6 7	
16. BODY PART All Parts 8 5	17. RESPONDENT(S) (Mother, Friend) Police Detective 3	18. TYPE INVESTIGATION ON SITE 1 TELEPHONE 2 OTHER 3 1	19. TIME SPENT 1 4 0		
20. ATTACHMENTS Multiple 9	21. CASE SOURCE Newspaper 0 5	22. REVIEWED BY 8 2 9 8 YR MO DAY 8 9 0 1 2 5			
23. PERMISSION TO DISCLOSE NAMES (NON-NEISS CASES ONLY) CPSC MAY DISCLOSE MY NAME <input type="checkbox"/> CPSC MAY NOT DISCLOSE MY NAME <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
24. NARRATIVE (See Instructions on Other Side)				25. REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTOR REVIEW DATE	

(USE OTHER SIDE AND ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)

881115CCC2060

Pre-Accident:

This investigation was conducted in response to a newspaper report that a four year old male child died as a result of injuries received after he fell across a electric dog fence. Information gained in this case was obtained through an on-scene examination of the accident area, and conversations with the victim's aunt and police officials.

Victim's aunt stated that her husband purchased the entire electric dog fence system approximately one year ago at Lowe's Building and Supply, Clarksville, Tennessee. The electric fence was installed by victim's uncle inside of a existing dog compound that measured approximately 36 feet by 42 feet. The purpose of the electric fence was to prevent two Chow dogs from jumping up on the inside of the pre-existing fence and climbing out of their enclosure. The electric dog fence consisted of two strands of electrical fence wire attached to wooden stakes approximately one foot from the inside of the pre-existing fence. The bottom wire of the electric fence was approximately one foot from the ground and the top wire was approximately three feet from the ground.

Victim's aunt stated that the victim was approximately four feet tall and weighed approximately fifty pounds. Victim had brown hair and brown eyes. Victim was a very active child and had a history of bronchitis. Victim's mother brought the victim to their house in order for him to play with his cousin. Victim was wearing tennis shoes, a pull-over "T" shirt and short pants at the time of the accident. Victim's mother was not present at the time of the accident.

At approximately 5:15 pm, September 17, 1988, victim was playing "Frisby" with his three year old cousin in the back yard. Weather conditions were cloudy and overcast, and the temperature was approximately 75 degrees fahrenheit. It had rained earlier in the day and the ground was still wet.

Accident:

At approximately 5:30 pm, victim's uncle, who was sitting on his back porch, noticed that the victim was no longer in sight. Victim was discovered by his uncle inside of the dog compound slumped across the electric dog fence, but not in contact with the outside pre-existing fence. Victim was unconscious and a burn mark was observed behind his right knee.

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Post Accident:

Victim's uncle immediately picked up victim (without being shocked) and carried him into the house. A county police patrol responded to the location and attempted to revive the victim by Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). Victim was subsequently transported to Vanderbilt Hospital, Nashville, Tennessee where he was pronounced dead. Cause of death, as reported by the medical examiner, was identified as cardio/respiratory arrest due to electric shock and the manner of death identified as accidental.

Victim's uncle subsequently removed both strands of the electric dog fence and threw them away, however, the electrical control box was not discarded and was taken by county police detectives for examination. Their examination revealed the existence of two fuses, 1/2 Amp, 250 Volts each, inserted in the control box. It was observed from the labeling on the control box panel that both of the fuses that were used in the control box were four times the strength recommended by the manufacturer. Victim's aunt stated that when her husband was putting up the fence he attempted to use the fuses that came with the electric fence system, however, each time the recommended fuses were used the fuses would "blow" as soon as power was supplied to the control box. Victim's aunt stated that the only way to get the fence to work was to use stronger fuses.

A request was made by the CPSC investigator to obtain the control box for a sample and examination however, due to possible future litigation, the request was refused.

Telephonic contact with Lowe's Building and Supply, Clarksville, Tennessee revealed that they no longer had the Fido-Shock, pet deterrent in stock, and they have not experienced any product complaints

Standards:

No voluntary or mandatory standards information was observed on the product.

Product Identification:

The product is an electrical control box enclosed in black plastic and generally mounted indoors, on the walls of a building. Product is manufactured by Fi-SHOCK, Inc., 5360 National Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee, 37914. Additional labeling states: FIDO-SHOCK, Solid State Pet Deterrent, Electric Fence Controller. The controller is powered by 110-120 Volt 60Hz ac. Additional warnings include: "DANGER" any alterations to the design of this charger may cause serious electrical shock. At top center of the box a warning states "use one sixteenth Amp time delay fuses only"

No assembly instructions or additional warnings information was available.

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Attachments:

1. Photographs
2. Medical Examiners Investigative Report, dtd 9/18/88
3. Robertson County Offense Report, dtd 9/17/88
4. Investigation Report, dtd 9/19/88
5. Newspaper Article, 9/19/88 (Nashville Banner)
6. Copy of CPSC Assignment

METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER FORENSIC SCIENCES CENTER 84 HERMITAGE AVENUE NASHVILLE TN 37210-2110 (615) 259-6920

CASE NO. MEC 88-1666

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION BY COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

DECEASED Steven Winfree RACE: W SEX: M AGE: 3 HOME ADDRESS P O Box 303 Greenbriar Tn M W S D OCCUPATION:

TYPE OF DEATH: Violent Casualty (checked) Suicide Suddenly when in apparent health Found Dead In Prison Suspicious, unusual or unnatural Cremation

Comment electric shock

If Motor Vehicle Accident Check One: Driver Passenger Pedestrian Unknown

Notification by Dr. Ann Byers / Vandy ER 322-0145 Address Nashville Investigating Agency M.P.D.

DESCRIPTION OF BODY: Clothed Unchecked Unclothed Partly Clothed Circumcised Yes No Eyes Brown Hair Brown Weight 38.6 Pounds Length 40 Inches Body Temp Date and Time 9/17/88 Rigor: Yes (checked) No Lysed Livor Color Fixed Non-Fixed

Marks and Wounds Cyanosis

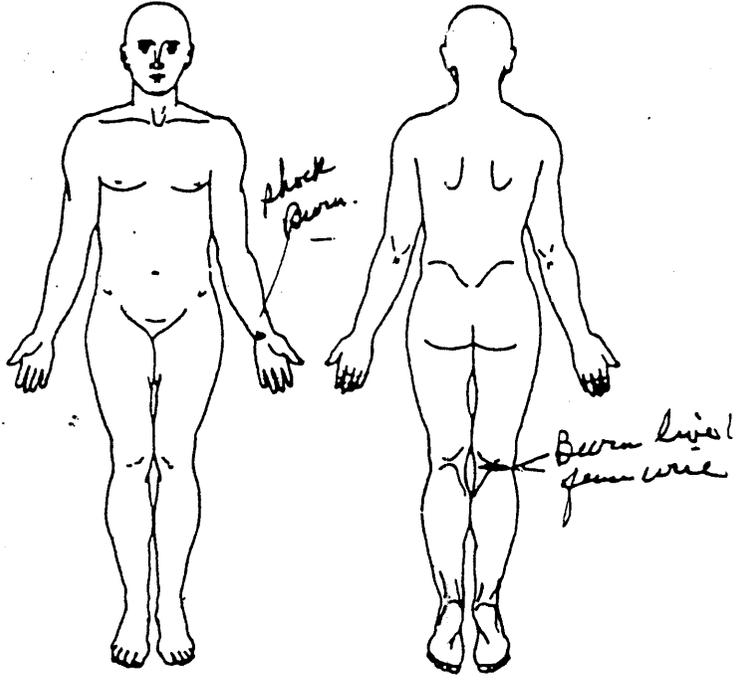


Table with 3 columns: PROBABLE CAUSE OF DEATH (Cocaine - kept arrest due to Electric Shock from Dog Fence), MANNER OF DEATH (Accident checked, Natural, Suicide, Homicide, Pending), DISPOSITION OF CASE (1. Not a medical examiner case, 2. Autopsy requested Yes/No, Autopsy ordered Yes/No, Pathologist)

I hereby declare that after receiving notice of the death described herein I took charge of the body and made inquiries regarding the cause of death in accordance with Section 38-701-38-714 Tennessee Code Annotated; and that the information contained herein regarding such death is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Date 9-18-88 County of Appointment Davidson County Signature of County Medical Examiner E. Simpson MD

PERSONAL HISTORY: Suicide attempts Suicide threats Hobbies, aptitude skills with firearms, chemicals, etc.
 Domestic, premarital or marital conflicts Financial or business reverses Social or religious conflicts Legal difficulties
 Criminal record Unemployment Fear of disease Other (specify) _____

CONDUCT BEFORE DEATH: Efforts to prevent help Efforts to obtain help Suicide attempt: Admitted Denied
 Refusal to talk Written declaration of intended suicide Accusations against others Other (specify) _____

	LAST SEEN ALIVE	INJURY OR ILLNESS	DEATH	DISCOVERY	MEDICAL EXAMINER NOTIFIED	VIEW OF BODY	POLICE NOTIFIED
DATE	9-17-88	9/17/88	9-17-88	/	9-17-88	9-17-88	Same
TIME	1700	± 1700	1904		1925	1300	

	LOCATION	CITY OR COUNTY	TYPE OF PREMISES (HOSPITAL, HOTEL, HIGHWAY, ETC)
INJURY OR ONSET OF ILLNESS	Davidson Ridge Rd	Robertson County	Residence
DEATH	Vanderbuilt ER	Davidson	Hospital
VIEWING OF BODY BY MEDICAL EXAMINER	F S C	Davidson	County Morgue

MEDICAL ATTENTION AND HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTIONAL CARE

NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR INSTITUTION	ADDRESS	DIAGNOSIS	DATE

CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH

	NAME	ADDRESS
FOUND DEAD BY		
LAST SEEN ALIVE BY		
WITNESS TO INJURY OR ILLNESS AND DEATH		
N O K FH	(Mother- Wanda Winfree) Cole & Garrett	865-6164

NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING DEATH:

HX- A three year old baby was life flown from Greenbriar Tenn to V U M C. The patient had an electrical shock received from a vent. He was coded for approximately 40 minutes then died. The baby was born at Vanderbuilt and has been there several times for various reason but has no personal Doctor.

@ P.R. & therapy, no response began in 2 R U vent 18 23.

Continued down until 1901 (see Card record on this chart)

Electent Burn small area. left post wrist area. & larger longer Burn area behind at knee joint on leg. response to therapy Negative. no other evidence of trauma.

Cardio Respiratory Arrest () due to Electric fence shock.

(Blood drawn for toxicology) No urine available

Happen at Dewaters Ridge Rd. Robertson County - Uncle home

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1. Offense INFORMATION		2. Classification ACCIDENTAL DEATH		TM 0740	58 YEAR	09 MONTH	17 DAY	1737	
3. Location of Incident DIVIDENRIDGE RD LAST RES. ON D-WALKER				4. Zone	5. Date/Time Occurred 09-17-88 1737		6. Date/Time Police Arrived 09-17-88 1737		
7. Victim STEVEN C. WINFREY		Sex M	Race W	D.O.B. N/A	8. Home Address WILSON ST. GREENBRIER TN			9. Phone	
10. Business Address N/A		11. Business Phone N/A		12. Person Arrested N/A			Sex	Race	
13. Complainant WALTER PHILLIP		Sex	Race	D.O.B.	14. Home Address RT #2 BOX 301 GOODLETTSVILLE			15. Phone	
16. Witness' Name a.		Sex	Race	D.O.B.	17. Home Address a.			18. Phone a.	
b.		b.		b.				b.	
19. VEHICLE NONE		a. License No. (LIC)	b. State	c. Year	d. Type	e. Vehicle Identification No. (VIN)		f. Year	
i. Style		j. Color		k. Other Description or Damage					
20. WEAPON		Gen. Description		Serial # (SN)	Make	Caliber	Type		
21. PROPERTY		Description						22. Total Value	
23. Reporting Officer HILLIARD, CHARLES		Badge 435AT	Unit 530	24. Approving Supervisor					
24. NARRATIVE: Give AN information Necessary, Tell Who, What, When, Where, Why And How The Incident Occured. Give Detailed Descriptions Of Any Suspects. AN Witness' Names, Sex, Race, D.O.B., Addresses And Phone Numbers Should Be Recorded. If A Juvenile Is Involved In Any Way In This Offense, List His Parents' Or Guardians' Names, Addresses And Phone Numbers As Well As The School He Attends.									
ON SEPT. 17-88 AT 5:37 PM. WHILE ON DIVIDEN RIDGE ROAD A SUBJECT FLAGGED ME DOWN AND STATED THAT THEIR'S A BOY THAT'S DOWN AND HAS STOP BREATHING. AT THIS TIME MYSELF AND OFFICER BONDY CAUENDER WENT INSIDE THE RESIDENT AND FOUND A WHITE MALE JUVENILE IN THE FLOOR WITH SEVERAL SUBJECTS WERE AROUND THE KID. AT THIS TIME A NEIGHBOR STATED THAT THE YOUNG BOY GOT INTO AN ELECTRIC FENCE THAT WAS INSIDE THE DOG PEN. OFFICE CAUENDER AND ANOTHER SUBJECT I IDENTIFIED AS PAM OLAN STARTED C.P.R. ON THE SUBJECT WHILE I DISPATCHED THE AMBULANCE SERVICE, RIDGETOP FIRE DEPT., AND WANDERBILT'S LIFE-FLIGHT TO THE SCENE. APPROX 15 MIN LATER THE AMBULANCE ARRIVED AND TOOK OVER C.P.R. UNTIL LIFE FLIGHT ARRIVED. JUST A SHORT TIME AFTER LIFE FLIGHT WAS IN ROUTE TO WANDERBILT HOSPITAL WITH THE SUBJECT.									
THE OWNER OF THE RESIDENT STATED THAT THE MOTHER OF THE 4 YEAR OLD BOY, NANCY WINFREY LEFT THE CHILD AT HIS RESIDENT WHILE SHE WENT BACK HOME. MR. PHILLIP STATED THAT THE KIDS WERE OUTSIDE PLAYING AND THEY NOTICED THAT THEY DID NOT SEE STEVEN (THE VICTIM) PLAYING WITH THE OTHER KIDS. THEY GOT UP AND LOOKED OUT AND SAW STEVEN LYING OVER INSIDE THE DOG PEN OVER THE ELECTRIC FENCE.									
END OF PAGE ONE									
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Assigned To		Authority		Date					
NCIC/TIES Entries Have Been Made By:		Date		All Items Have Been Cleared From NCIC/TIES By:			Date		

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3. Location of Incident PAGE 1 OF 1				4. Zone 2	5. Date/Time Occurred 09-07-88		6. Date/Time Police Arrived 09-17-88		
7. Victim PAGE 1 OF 1		Sex	Race	D.O.B.		8. Home Address		9. Phone	
10. Business Address			11. Business Phone		12. Person Arrested		Sex	Race	D.O.B.
13. Complainant		Sex	Race	D.O.B.		14. Home Address		15. Phone	
16. Witnesses' Name a.		Sex	Race	D.O.B.		17. Home Address a.		18. Phone a.	
b.						b.		b.	
19. VEHICLE	a. License No. (LIC)	b. State	c. Year	d. Type	e. Vehicle Identification No. (VIN)		f. Year	g. Make	h. Model
i. Style	j. Color	k. Other Description or Damage							
20. WEAPON	Gen. Description		Serial # (SN)		Make	Caliber		Type	
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MR PHILLIP RAY PUT BACK BOT THE BOY AND BROUGHT HIM INSIDE THE RESIDENT JUST AS WE PULLED INTO THE DRIVEWAY. MR. PHILLIP AND I WENT OUT TO THE DOG PEN TO LOOK AT THE FENCE AND HE STATED THAT THE FENCE WAS A 24 VOLT ELECTRIC FENCE THAT WAS PRT INSIDE THE DOG PEN TO KEEP THE DOGS AWAY FROM THE MAIN FENCE. THE MAIN FENCE STANDS ABOUT 3 1/2 FT. WITH THE ELECTRIC FENCE ABOUT A FOOT FROM THE GROUND ON THE INSIDE.									
THE MOTHER, NANCY WINEREE WAS NOTIFIED AND WAS TRANSPORTED TO VANDERBILT HOSPITAL BY HER BROTHER. MRS. WINEREE'S DAUGHTER WAS AT THE RESIDENT AT THE TIME WITH MR. AND MRS. PHILLIPS.									
MYSELF AND DEP. CAWENDER LEFT THE SCENE AT 6:32 P.M. AND AT 7:19 I RECEIVED A CALL FROM VANDERBILT HOSPITAL AND WAS TOLD THAT THE 4 YEAR OLD WHITE MALE JUVENILE DID NOT MAKE IT.									
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Case No. 88-4298-261

TN0740000				
ORI	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	TIME

OFFENSE: Homicide / Accidental
DATE & TIME OCCURED: 9/17/88 @ 1737
VICTIM: Steven Dewayne Winfrey
ADDRESS: P.O.Box 303, Greenbrier Tenn 37073
PHONE NUMBER: None

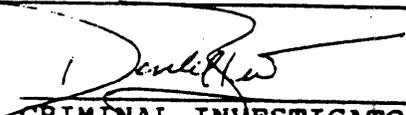
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Case No. 88-4298-261				
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OFFENSE: Homicide / Accidental

DATE & TIME OCCURED: 9/17/88 @ 1737

VICTIM: Steven C Winfree DOB/ 9/24/84

ADDRESS: Wilson Street, Greenbrier Tenn

PHONE NUMBER: None

NARRATIVE: On 9/19/88, I recieved a copy of an offense report from Det Sgt Green, the report showed that the above victim had died from an electrical shock from a fence at the Phillips residence located on dividing ridge road in Ridgetop Robertson County Tenn. A summary shown on the report by Patrol Sgt Hilliard showed that he and officer Cavender where on patrol in the area when they where flagged to stop by a subject on a three wheeler and told that a young boy had stoped breathing at the Phillips residence, according to the report they arrived at the residence to find the child unconcious and found him not to be breathing where Deputy Cavender and a niighbor began C.P.R. on the child while Sgt Hilliard Called for further assistance. Hilliard further revealed in his report that the victims mother Nancy Winfree droped the child off at the residence earlier that day and that he and the other children where playing in the back yard area of the residence when a short while later he (Walter Phillips) noticed that the victim was not playing with the other children when he went to investigaye he found the child on the inside of the dog pen laying over the electric fence that lines the inner side of the dog pen. At that Time the child was taken into the house by family members and afterwards he was flown out to Vanderbuilt Hospital by Life Flight, Hilliards report further stated that he recieved a call

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NARRATIVE: from officials (unknown accordind to the report) from Vanderbuilt Hospital that told him that the child died.

.....INVESTIGATORS NOTE.....: On 9/19/88 I recieved this imformation as previously described, an investigator was not notified at the time of the incident therefor the following imformation was obtained by myself during a follow up investigation some 48 hours later.

On 9/19/88 I furter spoke with officer Cavender who also was at the scene of the incident, He could not add any further imformation other than it appeared that Mr Phillips or someone at the residence had possibly been cunsuming some alcoholic type beverages for there was a couple of budweiser cans setting on a table at the rear porch area where they said they where setting, Further that Mr Phill ips looked according to the reddish complexion to the face to have had a few beers but did not appear to Cavender to be intoxicated. Further that he (Cavender) observed the dog pen and from his memory he told me that he belives that there where two stands of electrical fence wire around the inner side of the pen, further that one of the m was approximatly one foot from the ground, Cavender further told m e that he observed a burn or bruise mark on the leg of the child tha t appeared to have been caused by a wire or some type. He further told me that there was no other marks such as bruising or laseration s or contusions that he saw on the body of the child and that he n

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NARRATIVE: was dressed in a pair on sneakers, short pants and shirt.
After speaking with Deputy Cavender, I drove to the location
of the incident where I observed the residence, It being a small
white frame hose having a front and rear concrete porch area, furthe
r having an add on onning type car port to the west side of the resi
dence, further having a small wooden storage shed located directly
to the rear of the back porch of the residence being approximatly
15 feet from the porch, further the before mentioned dog pen was
located to the rear of the shed attatched to the rear of the shed.
The pen was made of wooden post placed approximatly 8 to 9 feet apart
having what appeared to be 36 inch by 4X4 farming fence attatched
on the outer side of the post and to the rear of the shed. The meas
urements of the pen where approximatly 36 foot deep and 42 feet in
width, measurements where stepped off being 12 steps by 14 steps.
I furter examined the described pen and was unable to locate the
electric wireing as described by Sgt Hilliard in his report or by
Deputy Cavender whom I had previously talked with. I further observe
d two chow dogs that occupy the pen. Afterwards I walked to a neigh
bors residence located due west of the residence, there I spoke with
a White male and female who told me that they where at home when the
incident occured but that they where mowing the yard and did not know
that anything had occured until the emergency vehicles had began to

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NARRATIVE: arrive at the residence. They further told me that the entire family was at the funeral home at the time of my visit and further that since the incident that Mr Phillips had taken the electric fence down. Afterwards I went back to the residence where I obtained my camera and photographed the residence, shed and dog pen described earlier. Further a Mr Winfree, app 18 Y.O.A. arrived at the residence and was obviously grief stricken by the death of his younger brother, he took me to the rear of the residence and took out a control box that operated the electric fence and gave it to me and further told me that I was welcome to look around the residence if I wished, further that he was not at the residence the day of the incident but that his uncle (Mr Phillips) was also very upset as to what had happened. Afterwards I took the control Box to my unit where I examined it closely and further photographed it. and afterwards listed all pertinent information as follows:

Produced by: FIDO-SHOCK inc. 5360 National Drive, Knoxville Tenn, 37914. "Solid State Pet Deterent electric fence controller". Power by 110-120 Volt, 60 Hz Ac. "DANGER" Any Alterations to the designe of this charger may cause seriouse electrical shock. Further shows an intermittent output of current and shows to be used with 12 to 20 guage wire only. Model # SS-750. also below is a square silver sticker with B-6 labeled on it. The device is U/L listed No. 11N0. Serial

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ADDRESS: _____

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NARRATIVE: No. G-04346, also a code No. 305-159 in the lower left corner. Also in the lower center of the device is a label listed " Use 1/16 Amp time delay fuse only " I further upon examining the two fuses contained inthe device found them to be 1/4 Amp, 250 Volt No. 313 each both showing manufacturer code as L F Fuse. Both fuses being four times the strength recomended by the manufacturer.

After leaving the Phillips residence, I returned to my office where I called the Vanderbuilt Emergency room to find out what the results of the autopsy that I understood that they had performed. I was told by a nurse there that they did not perform an autopsy that the body was sent to the metro medical examiners office. Afterwards I contacted the medical examiners office where I spoke with Doctor Simpkins. He further told me that he did not perform an autopsy that the body was brought to there office simply for record purposes only. He further told me that the probable cause for death wascardiac arrest due to an electrical shock. he further told me that the victim had a small burn on the left posterior wrist, also to the rear of the right knee joint. Doctor Simpkins further told me that he did not examine the victim that he recieved his information from the Vanderbuilt Eme rgency room report and he further was unable to tell me the Doctor name who examined the victim.

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NARRATIVE: Afeterwards I obtained the name and phone number of the Doctor who was a Dr Brian Gibler, Phone No, 353-0327. I called Mr Gibler and after he verified my position I asked him pertinent questions about the victim, He told me that the child was brought into the emergency room in full cardiac arrest and that hte family told him that the child had been shocked by an electric fence, He further told me that the family was obviously grief stricken and that he did not suspect any foul play, He further told me that he could not offer any information as to the crime scen itself but that there was a burn mark on the leg of the victim and that it appeared that it could have been caused by an electrical fence. I further ask the Doctor if a small amperage such as the before mentioned control box could have caused the childs heart from beating, he then told me that he was not familiar with electricity and that it was the first case of this nature that he had seen but that all he knows is that an electrical shock can and on some occasions will stop the heart from beating. I was unable to obtain any further information from Dr Gibler. After speaking with him I prepared an authorization for medical imformation release form in wich I plan to have a family member signe and obtain all medical records pertaining to this case.

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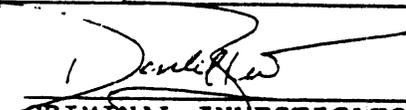
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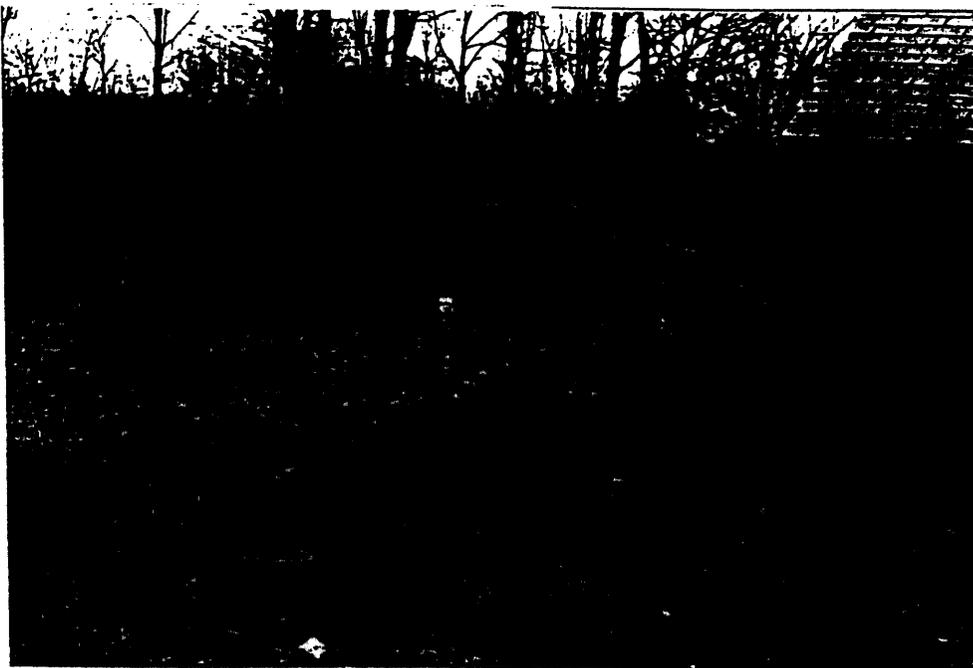

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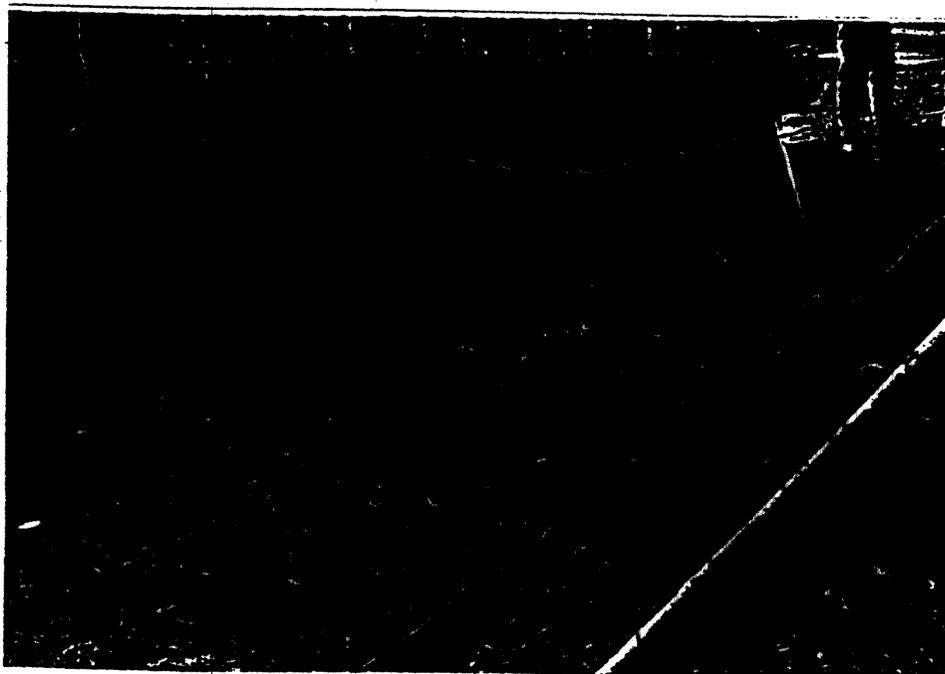
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NAME David M. Galanti, Invest. CPSC



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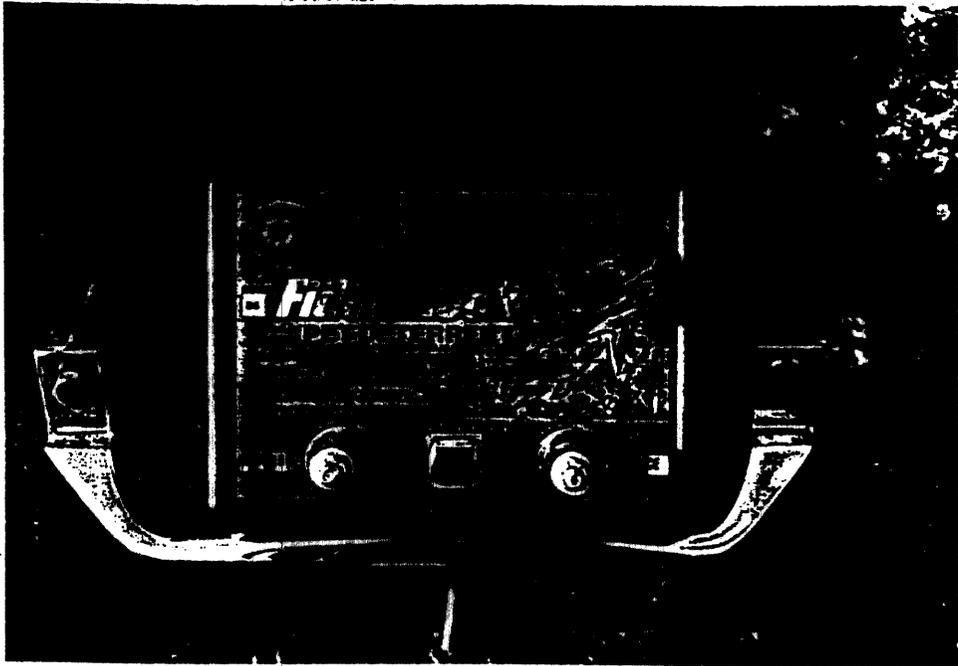


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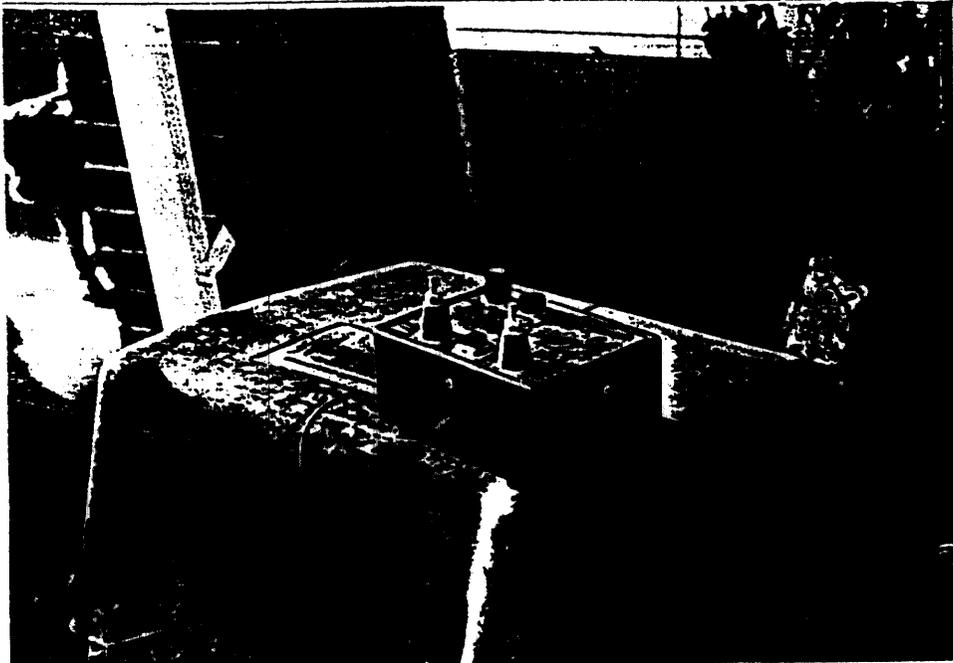
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NASHVILLE, TN.....
BANNER.....
9/19/88

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**Greenbrier 4-year-old dies
after shock from fence**

From Banner staff reports

GREENBRIER — A 4-year-old Greenbrier boy died Saturday around 7:30 p.m. after he apparently stumbled into an electric fence and was severely shocked, according to Robertson County Sheriff's deputy Charles Hillard.

The child, Steven C. Winfree, and his sister were visiting the home of Walter Phillip of Dividing Ridge Road in Greenbrier about 23 miles north of Nashville.

Phillip told police the boy was playing with some other children about 5:30 p.m. Saturday in the backyard when he

stumbled into an electric fence inside a dog pen.

The 24-volt electric fence is used, Phillip said, to keep the dogs away from the fence surrounding the pen.

The child, the son of Steven Carl and Wanda Winfree of Maple Street, was taken by the Lifeflight helicopter to Vanderbilt University Medical Center, where he later died.

While on their way to the scene, Robertson County Emergency Medical Service workers notified Vanderbilt about the situation.

The emergency helicopter flew to the scene and landed in the neighborhood, according to

Robertson County Emergency Service Director Bob Fletcher.

"The sheriff's deputy was already on the scene so they started CPR," Fletcher said.

Winfree's body has been taken to Nashville General Hospital to be examined, Vanderbilt officials said today.

Robertson County Chief Deputy Milton Frederick said the department is still investigating the incident.

"We'll probably have a comprehensive report later today," Frederick said.

Frederick said officials are investigating to see if the fence was operating properly when the child fell on it.

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ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION REQUEST FORM

Document Number 28A0117A1

Date of Incident 9/17/88 Category I.D. SECT1519F9

Follow-up Requested Hazard Analysis Section 15

Type Follow-up Requested Telephone Call On-Site

Headquarters Contact Dave Johnson 492-6608

Assignment Message Conduct an investigation of the electric fence related death reported in the attached news article. Contact local officials for information on the product, the accident scenario and the cause (malfunction of unit). Obtain a copy of any report regarding this death, including that of any analysis of the product.

Person(s) to Contact Co. Sheriff Det Charles Helms
Robertson Co. Chris Darity
Milton Frederick
Greenbrier, W. Va.

Guideline _____

Requested By Russell

Task Number 88115000 2060

Assigned to Chi Date 11/15/88

Russell

To: Division of Corrective Actions, Attn: Marc J. Schoen
From: CENTRAL Regional Center

Subject: Section 15 Field Investigation Status

FC890040

File Number : ~~FC890040~~ Date Opened: 89/03/06 Date Closed: 1/1

CACA Contact: ~~C. JONES~~ RO: ~~EE~~ FOCR T. Rogers / K.G. GAYMAN

Company Name: F1 - SHOCK, Inc.

Street : 5360 NATIONAL DRIVE

City : KNOXVILLE State: TN Zip: 37914

Co. Contact : _____ Phone - - -

Type : Mfg Dist _____ Retail _____ Prv Labeler _____ Importer _____

NEISS PRODUCT CODE: 0605

Product Description: SOLID STATE PET DETERRENT

ELECTRIC FENCE ~~CONTROL~~ CONTROLLER

Model : #SS-750

Brand : F100 - SHOCK

Potential Hazard: Electrocution

IDI: 881115CCC20601 /

Sample: /

Comments: _____

Location: _____ Accession: _____ Box: *

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REGIONAL CENTER PLANS FOR FOLLOW-UP

PRIORITY: A B C D (Circle)

Pot. Timeliness: ___yes ___no

TIMETABLE

3/6/89 Data Dump Requested 1/1 Kick-Off Meeting

1/1 Establishment Inspection

1/1 PSA Submitted 1/1 PSA Response

1/1 PSA Submitted 1/1 PSA Response

1/1 Other Investigation _____ IDI's _____ Samples

1/1 Establishment Inspection

1/1 Preliminary Determination To Be Submitted

[Form 1b - field input (REVISED 1/88)]

*3/6/89
Data Dump*

23 MAY 1989

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION
ROUTE SLIP

TO Keith

- Take necessary action
- Approval or signature
- Comment
- Prepare reply
- Discuss with me
- For your information
- See remarks below

FROM Cathy

DATE 2/10/89

REMARKS

This report says that the owner of the Gido-shock had to use larger fuses to get the product to work. Should this be the case?

Cathy:

ES would like to test product

~~HA~~

with shock
Data Dump

23 MAR 1989

To: Division of Corrective Actions, Attn: Marc J. Schoen

From: CENTRAL Regional Center

Subject: Section 15 Field Investigation Status

FC890040

File Number : ~~FC890040~~ Date Opened: 89103106 Date Closed: 1/1

CACA Contact: C. Downs RO: LEE FOGR T Rogers / L.G. GAYMAN

Company Name: F1 - SHOCK, Inc.

Street : 5360 NATIONAL DRIVE

City : KNOXVILLE State: TN zip: 37914

Co. Contact : _____ Phone _____

Type : MEg Dist _____ Retail _____ Prv Labeler _____ Importer _____

NEISS PRODUCT CODE: 0605

Product Description: SOLID STATE PET DETERRENT

ELECTRIC FENCE ~~CONTROL~~ CONTROLLER

Model : #SS-750

Brand : FIDO - SHOCK

Potential Hazard: Electrocution

IDI: 88115CCC20601

Sample: 1

Comments: _____

Location: _____ Accession: _____ Box:

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REGIONAL CENTER PLANS FOR FOLLOW-UP

PRIORITY: A B C D (Circle)

Pot. Timeliness: yes no

TIMETABLE

3/6/89 Data Dump Requested 1/1 Kick-Off Meeting

1/1 Establishment Inspection

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1/1 Other Investigation _____ IDI's _____ Samples

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1/1 Preliminary Determination To Be Submitted

*1) starting - shock
2) Data Dump*

~~RESTRICTED~~

3/16/89

PRODUCT SAFETY AGENCY (PSA) TECHNICAL EVALUATION REQUEST

Date: Print, use black pen, no blue ink.

Requested by: Robert Szymanski

Date: 3-16-89 Priority: a b c d Org. Code: CH Reg. Off.: C

A B C D

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: Fi'SHOCK

City/State: Knoxville TN Zip: _____

Product (generic name): electric pet fence

Brand name, model, etc.: Zido Shock

Sample numbers: _____

EVALUATION REQUESTED:

Data Review

88 115 000 2060/0605

Hazard: Shock
(describe hazard)

Requested date: 3/25/89

Attachments: _____

NOTES:

PSA ACTION (FOR PSA USE ONLY)

Request number: 42226

Compliance no.: EC 850040

Priority: 6

Received: 3/16/89

Received by: B. Szymanski

Date requested: 3/16/89

Date: 3/16/89

Product: Fi'SHOCK

Requested by: Robert Szymanski

Assigned to: EDMUNDS

Req. Summary: DATA REVIEW

Date: 3/16 Org: EP

Completed: _____

Jo G. Bayman

DIRECTORATE FOR EPIDEMIOLOGY

DATA REVIEW

RESTRICTED

TO : T. Rogers, CACA *out*
Thru: F. Brauer/C. Perez
FROM : M. Edmonds, EPHA *EH*

DATE: 3/28/89
DATE DUE: 3/25/89
PRIORITY: "b"

REQUEST: PSA 4226, F1 Shock, Electric Pet Fence

Fido Shock

HAZARD PATTERN: Shock

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Product Code(s): 0605, 1715, 1871, 4062
Text/Other : F1 Sh, F1sho, Fido
Time Frame : 840000 - 890320
NFIRS Search Criteria: N/A

INCIDENTS IDENTIFIED:

<u>Data Base(s)*</u>	<u># of Incidents</u>	<u># of Deaths</u>
Accident Investigations	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Reported Incidents	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Death Certificate File	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NEISS (Actual number)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NFIRS	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

* Incidents reported in more than one data base are included only once, in the data base listed first. These are reports EPHA was able to identify from the CPSC data files and should not be considered a statistical sample or a complete count of all such incidents that may have occurred.

NOTES/COMMENTS:

The printout is attached.

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To: Division of Corrective Actions, Attn: Marc J. Schoen
From: CENTRAL Regional Center
Subject: Section 15 Field Investigation Status

File Number : FC 89-400 Date Opened: 89/03/06 Date Closed: / /

CACA Contact: C. Downs RO: LGG

Company Name: F1 - SHOCK, Inc.

Street : 5360 NATIONAL DRIVE

City : KNOXVILLE State: TN Zip: 37914

Co. Contact : _____ Phone - - -

Type : MEg Dist Retail Prv Labeler Importer

NEISS PRODUCT CODE: 0605

Product Description: SOLID STATE PET DETERRENT
ELECTRIC FENCE ~~CONTROL~~ CONTROLLER

Model : #SS-750

Brand : FIDO - SHOCK

Potential Hazard: Electrocution

IDI: 881115CCC20601 /

Sample: /

Comments: _____

Location: _____ Accession: _____ Box: _____

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REGIONAL CENTER PLANS FOR FOLLOW-UP

PRIORITY: A B C D (Circle)

Pot. Timeliness: yes no

TIMETABLE

3/6/89 Data Dump Requested / / Kick-Off Meeting

/ / Establishment Inspection

/ / PSA Submitted / / PSA Response

/ / PSA Submitted / / PSA Response

/ / Other Investigation IDI's Samples

/ / Establishment Inspection

/ / Preliminary Determination To Be Submitted

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~~RESTRICTED~~

PRODUCT SAFETY ASSESSMENT (PSA) TECHNICAL EVALUATION REQUEST
Notes: Print, use black pen, no blue ink.

Requested by: L. George Payman Org. Code: ATZ Reg. Off.: Four
Date: 3/6/89 Priority: a b c d

Manufacturer: Fi-Shock, Inc. City/State: TN. Zip: 37914
Product: PET DETERRENT ELECTRIC FENCE CONTRACTOR
Brand name, model, etc.: F10A-SHOCK #SS-750

Sample numbers: _____

EVALUATION REQUESTED:
Please do Data Dump on the cube product.

Hazard: ELECTROCUTION HAZARD
(describe hazard)

Requested date: 4/1/89 Attachments: FBI 88115

NOTES:

PSA ACTION (FOR PSA USE ONLY)
Request number: _____
Compliance no.: _____
Priority: _____
Received: _____ (time/date)
Received by: _____
Data Requested: _____
Due Date: _____
Hfr: _____
Product: _____
Req'd. by: _____ Org: _____
ASSIGNMENT:
Date: _____ Org: _____
Assigned to: _____
Req. Summary: _____
Completed: _____

FIELD ACTIVITY COVERSHEET

1. REGION/STATE FOCR/ATL-SO		2. OPERATION (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Inspection <input type="checkbox"/> Establishment Visit <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone Contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Investigation <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		3. DATE 12/01/88	
				4. NUMBER (For FO Use) 88115CCC2060 88115CCC2060	
5. ESTABLISHMENT Name <u>Fi-SHOCK, Inc.</u> Address <u>5360 National Drive</u> City <u>Knoxville</u> State <u>TN</u> Zip <u>37014</u> Telephone No. <u>(615) 524-7224</u>					
6. RELATED FIRM <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Headquarters <input type="checkbox"/> Subsidiary <input type="checkbox"/> Other Name _____ City _____ State _____					
7. PRODUCTS COVERED <u>FIDO SHOCK Pet Deterrent</u>			8. OTHER CONSUMER PRODUCTS <u>N/A</u>		
9. ESTABLISHMENT TYPE <u>N/A</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturer <input type="checkbox"/> Importer <input type="checkbox"/> Wholesaler <input type="checkbox"/> Own Label Distributor <input type="checkbox"/> Retailer <input type="checkbox"/> Repackager <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			10. ANNUAL PRODUCTION <u>N/A</u> Products Covered \$ _____ Units _____ Other Products \$ _____ Units _____		
11. I.S. BUSINESS <u>N/A</u> % Received _____ % Shipped _____		12. SAMPLES COLLECTED - None		13. MIS CODE 32626	14. HOURS Activity <u>1 1/2</u> Travel <u>4</u>
15. REASON FOR ACTIVITY (Assignment Reference) In Depth Investigation #881115CCC2060					
16. EMPLOYEE'S NAME David M. Galanti		TITLE PSI		SIGNATURE <i>David M. Galanti</i>	
17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ENDORSEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> REMARKS <input type="checkbox"/> SUMMARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <p>A 4 year old boy was electrocuted when he fell across an electric "Pet Deterrent" fence. There were no witnesses to the incident. The victim's adult relatives found the victim after they had missed him from playing for a few minutes.</p> <p>The victim's uncle installed the electrically charged fence. When the uncle was putting the fence up he found that the recommended 1/16 amp fuses would blow each time power was supplied to the control box. The victim's uncle inserted 2-1/4 amp fuses into the control box and the fence worked. The victim's aunt stated that the only way to get the fence to work was to use stronger fuses than those recommended.</p> <p>The electric fence had been discarded at the time of the investigation. The investigator was unable to obtain the control box as a sample and for examination due to possible future litigation. F/U: An inspection of the manufacturer will be assigned.</p>					
18. REVIEWER'S NAME George L. Lester		TITLE SPSI		SIGNATURE <i>George L. Lester</i>	
19. REVIEW DATE 1/25/89		DISTRIBUTION 0: EPDS, cc: FOCR Inv file, ATL (LGG), CACA, cc: LGG, GLL, RF			

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1. CASE NO. 881115CCC2060			2. INVESTIGATOR'S ID 8 9 3 5			3. OFFICE CODE 8 3 8			EPIDEMIOLOGIC INVESTIGATION REPORT		
4. DATE OF ACCIDENT YR MO DAY 8 8 0 9 1 7			5. DATE INVESTIGATION INITIATED YR MO DAY 8 8 1 2 0 6								
6. SYNOPSIS OF ACCIDENT OR COMPLAINT <u>A four year old male victim died of Cardiac/Respiratory arrest after receiving an electric shock by falling across a electric dog fence. The victim was playing "frisby" with his cousin and was attempting to retrieve the toy which had inadvertently gone over the fence. Examination of the controller for the electric dog fence identified two fuses which were four times the strength recommended for use by the manufacturer.</u>											
7. LOCATION (Home, school, etc.) Home - Back Yard				8. CITY Ridge Top				9. STATE Tennessee			
10A. FIRST PRODUCT Electric Wire				11A. TRADE/BRAND NAME, MODEL NUMBER, MANUFACTURER & ADDRESS "FIDO-SHOCK", Model #SS-750 FI-Shock Inc., 5360 National Drive, Knoxville, TN							
10B. SECOND PRODUCT None				11B. TRADE/BRAND NAME, MODEL NUMBER, MANUFACTURER & ADDRESS N/A							
12. AGE OF VICTIM 0 0 4			13. SEX (Use numerical code) MALE -1 FEMALE -2 UNKNOWN -3 1			14. DISPOSITION Fatality			15. INJURY DIAGNOSIS Electric Shock		
16. BODY PART All Parts			17. RESPONDENT(S) (Mother, Friend) Police Detective			18. TYPE INVESTIGATION ON SITE 1 TELEPHONE 2 OTHER 3 1			19. TIME SPENT 1 4 0		
20. ATTACHMENTS Multiple			21. CASE SOURCE Newspaper			22. REVIEWED BY 8 2 9 8			22. REVIEWED BY YR MO DAY 8 9 0 1 2 5		
23. PERMISSION TO DISCLOSE NAMES (NON-NEISS CASES ONLY) CPSC MAY DISCLOSE MY NAME <input type="checkbox"/> CPSC MAY NOT DISCLOSE MY NAME <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>											
24. NARRATIVE (See Instructions on Other Side)						25. REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTOR REVIEW DATE					

(USE OTHER SIDE AND ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)

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Pre-Accident:

This investigation was conducted in response to a newspaper report that a four year old male child died as a result of injuries received after he fell across a electric dog fence. Information gained in this case was obtained through an on-scene examination of the accident area, and conversations with the victim's aunt and police officials.

Victim's aunt stated that her husband purchased the entire electric dog fence system approximately one year ago at Lowe's Building and Supply, Clarksville, Tennessee. The electric fence was installed by victim's uncle inside of a existing dog compound that measured approximately 36 feet by 42 feet. The purpose of the electric fence was to prevent two Chow dogs from jumping up on the inside of the pre-existing fence and climbing out of their enclosure. The electric dog fence consisted of two strands of electrical fence wire attached to wooden stakes approximately one foot from the inside of the pre-existing fence. The bottom wire of the electric fence was approximately one foot from the ground and the top wire was approximately three feet from the ground.

Victim's aunt stated that the victim was approximately four feet tall and weighed approximately fifty pounds. Victim had brown hair and brown eyes. Victim was a very active child and had a history of bronchitis. Victim's mother brought the victim to their house in order for him to play with his cousin. Victim was wearing tennis shoes, a pull-over "T" shirt and short pants at the time of the accident. Victim's mother was not present at the time of the accident.

At approximately 5:15 pm, September 17, 1988, victim was playing "Frisby" with his three year old cousin in the back yard. Weather conditions were cloudy and overcast, and the temperature was approximately 75 degrees fahrenheit. It had rained earlier in the day and the ground was still wet.

Accident:

At approximately 5:30 pm, victim's uncle, who was sitting on his back porch, noticed that the victim was no longer in sight. Victim was discovered by his uncle inside of the dog compound slumped across the electric dog fence, but not in contact with the outside pre-existing fence. Victim was unconscious and a burn mark was observed behind his right knee.

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Post Accident:

Victim's uncle immediately picked up victim (without being shocked) and carried him into the house. A county police patrol responded to the location and attempted to revive the victim by Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). Victim was subsequently transported to Vanderbilt Hospital, Nashville, Tennessee where he was pronounced dead. Cause of death, as reported by the medical examiner, was identified as cardio/respiratory arrest due to electric shock and the manner of death identified as accidental.

Victim's uncle subsequently removed both strands of the electric dog fence and threw them away, however, the electrical control box was not discarded and was taken by county police detectives for examination. Their examination revealed the existence of two fuses, 1/2 Amp, 250 Volts each, inserted in the control box. It was observed from the labeling on the control box panel that both of the fuses that were used in the control box were four times the strength recommended by the manufacturer. Victim's aunt stated that when her husband was putting up the fence he attempted to use the fuses that came with the electric fence system, however, each time the recommended fuses were used the fuses would "blow" as soon as power was supplied to the control box. Victim's aunt stated that the only way to get the fence to work was to use stronger fuses.

A request was made by the CPSC investigator to obtain the control box for a sample and examination however, due to possible future litigation, the request was refused.

Telephonic contact with Lowe's Building and Supply, Clarksville, Tennessee revealed that they no longer had the Fido-Shock, pet deterrent in stock, and they have not experienced any product complaints

Standards:

No voluntary or mandatory standards information was observed on the product.

Product Identification:

The product is an electrical control box enclosed in black plastic and generally mounted indoors, on the walls of a building. Product is manufactured by Fi-SHOCK, Inc., 5360 National Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee, 37914. Additional labeling states: FIDO-SHOCK, Solid State Pet Deterrent, Electric Fence Controller. The controller is powered by 110-120 Volt 60Hz ac. Additional warnings include: "DANGER" any alterations to the design of this charger may cause serious electrical shock. At top center of the box a warning states "use one sixteenth Amp time delay fuses only"

No assembly instructions or additional warnings information was available.

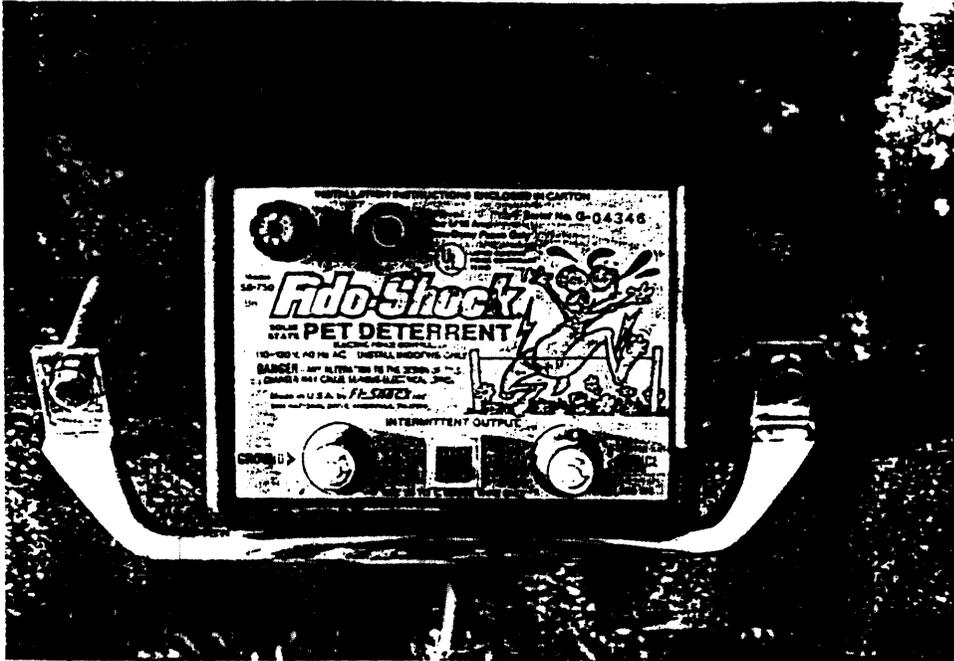
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Attachments:

1. Photographs
2. Medical Examiners Investigative Report, dtd 9/18/88
3. Robertson County Offense Report, dtd 9/17/88
4. Investigation Report, dtd 9/19/88
5. Newspaper Article, 9/19/88 (Nashville Banner)
6. Copy of CPSC Assignment

CPSC EXHIBIT 1 DATE 12/07/88
FIRM IDI # 881115CCC2060

NAME David M. Galanti, Invest. CPSC



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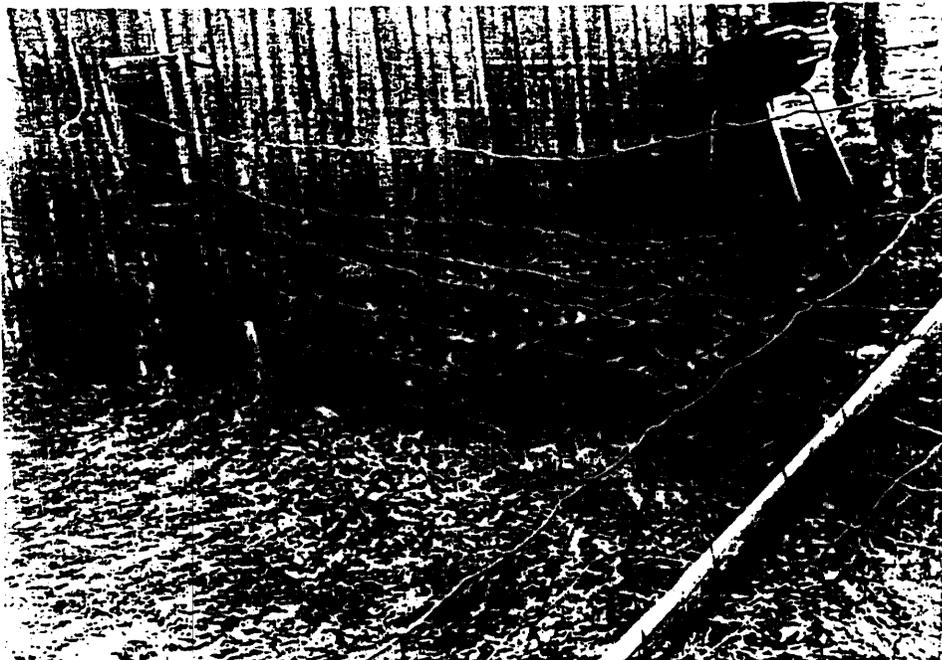


CPSC EXHIBIT 2 DATE 12/07/88
FIRM _____ IDI# 881115CCC2060

NAME David M. Galanti, Invest. CPSC



N.E. Corner of
dog compound



INSIDE pre-existing
Fence where victim
was found.

METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER FORENSIC SCIENCES CENTER 84 HERMITAGE AVENUE NASHVILLE TN 37210-2110 (615) 259-6920

CASE NO. MEC 88-1666

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION BY COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

DECEASED Steven Winfree RACE: W SEX: M AGE: 3 HOME ADDRESS P O Box 303 Greenbriar Tn M W S D OCCUPATION: TYPE OF DEATH: Violent [] Casualty [X] Suicide [] Suddenly when in apparent health [] Found Dead [] Comment: electric shock

DESCRIPTION OF BODY: Clothed [] Un clothed [] Partly Clothed [] Circumcised Yes [] No [] Eyes Brown : Hair Brown : Mustache : Beard : Weight 38.6 Pounds : Length 40 Inches : Body Temp : Date and Time 9/17/88 : Rigor: Yes [X] No [] Lysed [] Livor Color : Fixed [] Non-Fixed []

Marks and Wounds Cyanosis

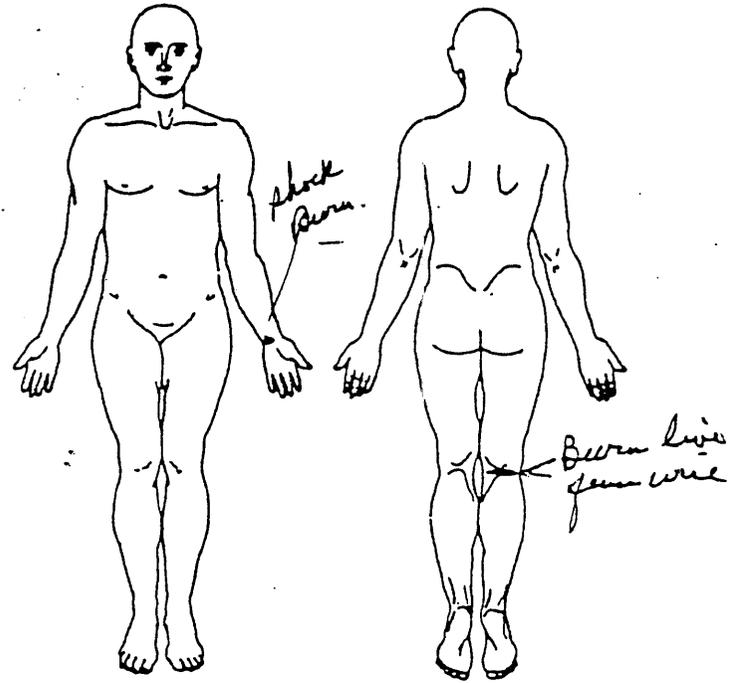


Table with 3 columns: PROBABLE CAUSE OF DEATH (Cocaine - Resp Arrest due to Electric Shock from Dog Fence), MANNER OF DEATH (Accident [X], Natural [], Suicide [], Unknown [], Homicide [], Pending []), DISPOSITION OF CASE (1. Not a medical examiner case [], 2. Autopsy requested Yes [] No [], Autopsy ordered Yes [] No [], Pathologist)

I hereby declare that after receiving notice of the death described herein I took charge of the body and made inquiries regarding the cause of death in accordance with Section 38-701-38-714 Tennessee Code Annotated; and that the information contained herein regarding such death is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. 9-18-88 Davidson County of Appointment [Signature] Signature of County Medical Examiner

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OFFENSE REPORT

PAGE 1 - OF 1

1. Offense INFORMATION		2. Classification ACCIDENTAL DEATH		TN 07400110	300 YEAR	09 MONTH	17 DAY	1737	
3. Location of Incident DIVIDEN BRIDGE RD LAST RES: WILSON - WALKER				4. Zone 3	5. Date/Time Occurred 09-17-88 1737		6. Date/Time Police Arrived 09-17-88 1737		
7. Victim STEVEN C. WINFREY		Sex M	Race W	D.O.B. N/A	8. Home Address WILSON ST. GREENBRIER TN		9. Phone		
10. Business Address N/A		11. Business Phone N/A		12. Person Arrested N/A		Sex	Race	D.O.B.	
13. Complainant WALTER PHILLIP		Sex	Race	D.O.B.	14. Home Address RT #3 BOX 301 GOODLETTSVILLE		15. Phone		
16. Witness' Name a.		Sex	Race	D.O.B.	17. Home Address a.		18. Phone a.		
b.					b.		b.		
19. VEHICLE		a. License No. (LIC)	b. State	c. Year	d. Type	e. Vehicle Identification No. (VIN)		f. Year	
NONE								g. Make	
h. Model		i. Other Description or Damage							
20. WEAPON		Gen. Description		Serial # (SN)	Make	Caliber	Type		
				14/4					
21. PROPERTY		Description						22. Total Value	
		N/A							
23. Reporting Officer HILLIARD, CHARLES				Badge 430AT	Unit 530	24. Approving Supervisor			
24. NARRATIVE: Give All Information Necessary, Tell Who, What, When, Where, Why And How The Incident Occurred. Give Detailed Descriptions Of Any Suspects. All Witnesses' Names, Sex, Race, D.O.B., Addresses And Phone Numbers Should Be Recorded. If A Juvenile Is Involved In Any Way In This Offense, List His Parents' Or Guardians' Names, Addresses And Phone Numbers As Well As The School He Attends.									
ON SEPT. 17-88 AT 5:37 PM. WHILE ON DIVIDEN BRIDGE ROAD A SUBJECT FLAGGED ME DOWN AND STATED THAT THEIR'S A BOY THATS DOWN AND HAS STOP BREATHING. AT THIS TIME MYSELF AND OFFICER BARRY CAUENDER WENT INSIDE THE RESIDENT AND FOUND A WHITE MALE JUVENILE IN THE FLOOR WITH SEVERAL SUBJECTS WERE AROUND THE KID. AT THIS TIME A NEIGHBOR STATED THAT THE YOUNG BOY GOT INTO AN ELECTRIC FENCE THAT WAS INSIDE THE DOG PEN. OFFICE CAUENDER AND ANOTHER SUBJECT TOENLIEVED AS PAMI DIXON STARTED C.P.R. ON THE SUBJECT WHILE I DISPATCHED THE AMBULANCE SERVICE, RIDGETOP FIRE DEPT, AND WANDERBILT'S LIFE-FLIGHT TO THE SCENE. APPROX 15 MIN LATER THE AMBULANCE ARRIVED AND TOOK OVER C.P.R. UNTIL LIFE FLIGHT ARRIVED. JUST A SHORT TIME AFTER LIFE FLIGHT WAS IN ROUTE TO WANDERBILT HOSPITAL WITH THE SUBJECT.									
THE OWNER OF THE RESIDENT STATED THAT THE MOTHER OF THE 4 YEAR OLD BOY, NANCY WINFREY LEFT THE CHILD AT HIS RESIDENT WHILE SHE WENT BACK HOME. MR. PHILLIP STATED THAT THE KIDS WERE OUTSIDE PLAYING AND THEY NOTICED THAT THEY DID NOT SEE STEVEN (THE VICTIM) PLAYING WITH THE OTHER KIDS. THEY GOT UP AND LOOKED OUT AND SAW STEVEN LYING OVER INSIDE THE DOG PEN OVER THE ELECTRIC FENCE.									
END OF PAGE ONE									
STATUS		Active <input type="checkbox"/>	Pending <input type="checkbox"/>	Inactive <input type="checkbox"/>	Closed <input type="checkbox"/>	Assigned To		Authority	
NCIC/TIES Entries Have Been Made By:		Date			All Items Have Been Cleared From NCIC/TIES By:			Date	

OFFENSE REPORT

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1. Offense INFORMATION		2. Classification IDENTICAL DEATH		TM 074		YEAR 88		MONTH 09		DAY 17		1737	
3. Location of Incident PAGE 1 OF 1				4. Zone 2		5. Date/Time Occurred 09-07-88			6. Date/Time Police Arrived 09-17-88				
7. Victim PAGE 1 OF 1		Sex	Race	D.O.B.		8. Home Address				9. Phone			
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i. Style		j. Color		k. Other Description or Damage									
20. WEAPON		Gen. Description		Serial # (SN)		Make		Caliber		Type			
21. PROPERTY		Description N/A										22. Total Value	
23. Reporting Officer HILLARD, CHARLES				Badge 567		Unit 540		24. Approving Supervisor					
24. NARRATIVE: Give All Information Necessary, Tell Who, What, When, Where, Why And How The Incident Occurred. Give Detailed Descriptions Of Any Suspects. All Witnesses' Names, Sex, Race, D.O.B., Addresses And Phone Numbers Should Be Recorded. If A Juvenile Is Involved In Any Way In This Offense, List His Parents' Or Guardians' Names, Addresses And Phone Numbers As Well As The School He Attends.													
<p>MR PHILLIP BAY OUT BACK GOT THE BUX AND BROUGHT HIM INSIDE THE RESIDENT JUST AS WE PULLED INTO THE DRIVEWAY. MR. PHILLIP AND I WENT OUT TO THE DOG PEN TO LOOK AT THE FENCE AND HE STATED THAT THE FENCE WAS A 24 VOLT ELECTRIC FENCE THAT WAS PUT INSIDE THE DOG PEN TO KEEP THE DOGS AWAY FROM THE MAIN FENCE. THE MAIN FENCE STANDS ABOUT 3 1/2 FT. WITH THE ELECTRIC FENCE ABOUT A FOOT FROM THE GROUND ON THE INSIDE.</p> <p>THE MOTHER, NANCY WINEREE WAS NOTIFIED AND WAS TRANSPORTED TO VANDY'S HOSPITAL BY HER BROTHER. DOB'S WINEREE'S DAUGHTER WAS AT THE RESIDENT AT THE TIME WITH MR. AND MRS. PHILLIPS.</p> <p>MYSELF AND DEP. CAUENOR LEFT THE SCE. AT 6:32 P.M. AND AT 7:19 I RECEIVED A CALL FROM VANDERBILT HOSPITAL AND WAS TOLD THAT THE 4 YEAR OLD WHITE MALE JUVENILE DID NOT MAKE IT.</p>													
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INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Case No. 88-4298-261				
TN0740000				
ORI	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	TIME

OFFENSE: Homicide / Accidental

DATE & TIME OCCURED: 9/17/88 @ 1737

VICTIM: Steven Dewayne Winfrey

ADDRESS: P.O.Box 303, Greenbrier Tenn 37073

PHONE NUMBER: None

NARRATIVE: On 9/23/88, Mrs Wanda Winfrey came to the sheriffs dept. There I interviewed her concearning the recent death of her son shown above. I was told by her that some of the information contained in the reports where not accurate.

"INVESTIGATIVE NOTE" The mothers name on the previous reports show the mothers name as Nancy Winfree, which is incorrect in both first name and spelling of last name. Original reports should relect the name of Wanda Winfrey as the mother of the victim. Further the victims name was also incorrect in which the previous reports show the victims name as Steven C Winfree, The reports should reflect the name of Steven Dewayne Winfrey.

Further it was learned that the mother of victim is the sister of Walter Phillips, She (Wanda Winfrey) further told me that she did not have any type of insurance coverage on the victim that would pay in case of death, She (Wanda Winfrey) further signed a affidavit giving Vanderbilt Hospital permission to release all medical records concerning the victim to this agency.

(When all information is obtained and this file completed, Mrs Winfrey wishes that a complete copy of this file be mailed to her at the above adress)

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 CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR
 ROBERTSON COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT

DATE OF THIS REPORT 9/23/88

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Case No. 88-4298-261

TN0740000	88	09	17	1737
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OFFENSE: Homicide / Accidental

DATE & TIME OCCURED: 9/17/88 @ 1737

VICTIM: Steven C Winfree DOB/ 9/24/84

ADDRESS: Wilson Street, Greenbrier Tenn

PHONE NUMBER: None

NARRATIVE: On 9/19/88, I recieved a copy of an offense report from Det Sgt Green, the report showed that the above victim had died from an electrical shock from a fence at the Phillips residence located on dividing ridge road in Ridgetop Robertson County Tenn. A summary shown on the report by Patrol Sgt Hilliard showed that he and officer Cavender where on patrol in the area when they where flagged to stop by a subject on a three wheeler and told that a young boy had stoped breathing at the Phillips residence, according to the report they arrived at the residence to find the child unconciouse and found him not to be breathing where Deputy Cavender and a niighbor began C.P.R. on the child while Sgt Hilliard Called for further assistance. Hilliard further revealed im his report that the victims mother Nancy winfree droped the child off at the residence earlier that day and that he and the other children where playing in the back yard area of the residence when a short while later he (Walter Phillips) noticed that the victim was not playing with the other children when he went to investigaye he found the child on the inside of the dog pen laying over the electric fence that lines the inner side of the dog pen. At that Time the child was taken into the house by family members and afterwards he was flown out to Vanderbuilt Hospital by Life Flight. Hilliards report further stated that he recieved a call

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DATE & TIME OCCURED: _____
VICTIM: _____
ADDRESS: _____
PHONE NUMBER: _____

NARRATIVE: from officials (unknown accordind to the report) from Vanderbuilt Hospitol that told him that the child died.

.....INVESTIGATORS NOTE.....: On 9/19/88 I recieved this imformation as previously described, an investigator was not notified at the time of the incident therefor the following information was obtained by myself during a follow up investigation some 48 hours later.

On 9/19/88 I furter spoke with officer Cavender who also was at the scene of the incident, we could not add any further imformation other than it appeared that Mr Phillips or someone at the residence had possibly been cunsuming some alcoholic type beverages for there was a couple of budweiser cans setting on a table at the rear porch area where they said they where setting, Further that Mr Phillips looked according to the reddish complexion to the face to have had a few beers but did not appear to Cavender to be intoxicated. Further that he (Cavender) observed the dog pen and from his memory he told me that he belives that there where two stands of electrical fence wire around the inner side of the pen, further that one of the m was approximatly one foot from the ground, Cavender further told me e that he observed a burn or bruise mark on the leg of the child tha t appeared to have been caused by a wire or some type. He further told me that there was no other marks such as bruising or laseration s or contusions that he saw on the body of the child and that he

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Case No. 88-4298-261

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OFFENSE: _____

DATE & TIME OCCURED: _____

VICTIM: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

NARRATIVE: was dressed in a pair on sneakers, short pants and shirt.
After speaking with Deputy Cavender, I drove to the location
of the incident where I observed the residence, It being a small
white frame hose having a front and rear concrete porch area, furthe
r having an add on onning type car port to the west side of the resi
dence, further having a small wooden storage shed located directly
to the rear of the back porch of the residence being approximatly
15 feet from the porch, further the before mentioned dog pen was
located to the rear of the shed attatched to the rear of the shed.
The pen was made of wooden post placed approximatly 8 to 9 feet apart
having what appeared to be 36 inch by 4X4 farming fence attatched
on the outer side of the post and to the rear of the shed. The meas
urements of the pen where approximatly 36 foot deep and 42 feet in
width, measurements where stepped off being 12 steps by 14 steps.
I furter examined the described pen and was unable to locate the
electric wireing as described by Sgt Hilliard in his report or by
Deputy Cavender whom I had previously talked with. I further observe
d two chow dogs that occupy the pen. Afterwards I walked to a neigh
bors residence located due west of the residence, there I spoke with
a White male and female who told me that they where at home when the
incident occured but that they where mowing the yard and did not know
that anything had occured until the emergency vehicles had began to

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VICTIM: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

NARRATIVE: No. G-04346. also a code No. 305-159 in the lower left corner. Also in the lower center of the device is a label listed " Use 1/16 Amp time delay fuse only " I further upon examining the two fuses contained inthe device found them to be 1/4 Amp, 250 Volt No 313 each both showing manufacturer code as L F Fuse. Both fuses being four times the strength recomended by the manufacturer.

After leaving the Phillips residence, I returned to my office where I called the Vanderbuilt Emergency room to find out what the results of the autopsy that I understood that they had performed. I was told by a nurse there that they did not perform an autopsy that the body was sent to the metro medical examiners office. Afterwards I contacted the medical examiners office where I spoke with Doctor Simpkins. He further told me that he did not perform an autopsy that the body was brought to there office simply for record purposes only. He further told me that the probable cause for death wascardiac arrest due to an electrical shock. he further told me that the victim had a small burn on the left posterior wrist, also to the rear of the right knee joint. Doctor Simpkins further told me that he did not examine the victim that he recieved his information from the Vanderbuilt Eme rgency room report and he further was unable to tell me the Doctor name who examined the victim.

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INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Case No. 88-4298-261

TN0740000				
ORI	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	TIME

OFFENSE:

DATE & TIME OCCURED:

VICTIM:

ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER:

NARRATIVE: arrive at the residence. They further told me that the entire family was at the funeral home at the time of my visit and further that since the incident that Mr Phillips had taken the electric fence down. Afterwards I went back to the residence where I obtained my camera and photographed the residence, shed and dog pen described earlier. Further a Mr Winfree, app 18 Y.O.A. arrived at the residence and was obviously grief stricken by the death of his younger brother, he took me to the rear of the residence and took out a control box that operated the electric fence and gave it to me and further told me that I was welcome to look around the residence if I wished, further that he was not at the residence the day of the incident but that his uncle (Mr Phillips) was also very upset as to what had happened. Afterwards I took the control Box to my unit where I examined it closely and further photographed it. and afterwards listed all pertinent information as follows:

Produced by: FIDO-SHOCK inc. 5360 National Drive, Knoxville Tenn, 37914. "Solid State Pet Deterent electric fence controller". Power by 110-120 Volt, 60 Hz Ac. "DANGER" Any Alterations to the designe of this charger may cause seriouse electrical shock. Further shows an intermittent output of current and shows to be used with 12 to 20 guage wire only. Model # SS-750. also below is a square silver sticker with B-6 labeled on it. The device is U/L listed No. 11N0. Serial

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NASHVILLE, TN.....
BANNER.....
9/19/88

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**Greenbrier 4-year-old dies
after shock from fence**

From Banner staff reports

GREENBRIER — A 4-year-old Greenbrier boy died Saturday around 7:30 p.m. after he apparently stumbled into an electric fence and was severely shocked, according to Robertson County Sheriff's deputy Charles Hillard.

The child, Steven C. Winfree, and his sister were visiting the home of Walter Phillip of Dividing Ridge Road in Greenbrier about 23 miles north of Nashville.

Phillip told police the boy was playing with some other children about 5:30 p.m. Saturday in the backyard when he

stumbled into an electric fence inside a dog pen.

The 24-volt electric fence is used, Phillip said, to keep the dogs away from the fence surrounding the pen.

The child, the son of Steven Carl and Wanda Winfree of Maple Street, was taken by the Lifeflight helicopter to Vanderbilt University Medical Center, where he later died.

While on their way to the scene, Robertson County Emergency Medical Service workers notified Vanderbilt about the situation.

The emergency helicopter flew to the scene and landed in the neighborhood, according to

Robertson County Emergency Service Director Bob Fletcher.

"The sheriff's deputy was already on the scene so they started CPR," Fletcher said.

Winfree's body has been taken to Nashville General Hospital to be examined, Vanderbilt officials said today.

Robertson County Chief Deputy Milton Frederick said the department is still investigating the incident.

"We'll probably have a comprehensive report later today," Frederick said.

Frederick said officials are investigating to see if the fence was operating properly when the child fell on it.

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ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION REQUEST FORM

Document Number 28A0117A1

Date of Incident 9/17/88 Category I.D. SECT1519F9

Follow-up Requested Hazard Analysis Section 15

Type Follow-up Requested Telephone Call On-Site

Headquarters Contact Dave Johnson 492-6608

Assignment Message Conduct an investigation of the electric fence related death reported in the attached news article. Contact local officials for information on the product, the accident scenario and the cause (malfunction of unit). Obtain a copy of any report regarding this death, including that of any analysis of the product.

Person(s) to Contact Co. Sheriff Det. Charles Wilson
Robertson, Co. Ohio Deputy
Milton, Frederick
December, 1988

Guideline _____

Requested By Dickson

Task Number 88115000 2060

Assigned to Chi Date 11/15/88

Suppl. mailed

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31 JAN 1989

1. CASE NO. 881115CCC2060			2. INVESTIGATOR'S ID 8 9 3 5				3. OFFICE CODE 8 3 8			EPIDEMIOLOGIC INVESTIGATION REPORT
4. DATE OF ACCIDENT YR MO DAY 8 8 0 9 1 7			5. DATE INVESTIGATION INITIATED YR MO DAY 8 8 1 2 0 6							

6. SYNOPSIS OF ACCIDENT OR COMPLAINT A four year old male victim died of Cardiac/Respiratory arrest after receiving an electric shock by falling across a electric dog fence. The victim was playing "frisby" with his cousin and was attempting to retrieve the toy which had inadvertently gone over the fence. Examination of the controller for the electric dog fence identified two fuses which were four times the strength recommended for use by the manufacturer.

7. LOCATION (Home, school, etc.) Home - Back Yard		8. CITY Ridge Top		9. STATE Tennessee	
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10A. FIRST PRODUCT Electric Wire		11A. TRADE/BRAND NAME, MODEL NUMBER, MANUFACTURER & ADDRESS "FIDO-SHOCK", Model #SS-750 FI-Shock Inc., 5360 National Drive, Knoxville, TN			
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10B. SECOND PRODUCT Fence		11B. TRADE/BRAND NAME, MODEL NUMBER, MANUFACTURER & ADDRESS N/A				FEB 1 1989	
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12. AGE OF VICTIM 0 0 4		13. SEX (Use numerical code) MALE -1 FEMALE -2 UNKNOWN -3 1		14. DISPOSITION Fatality		15. INJURY DIAGNOSIS Electric Shock	
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16. BODY PART All Parts		17. RESPONDENT(S) (Mother, Friend) Police Detective		18. TYPE INVESTIGATION ON SITE 1 TELEPHONE 2 OTHER 3 1		19. TIME SPENT 1 4 0	
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20. ATTACHMENTS Multiple		21. CASE SOURCE Newspaper		22. REVIEWED BY 8298		YR MO DAY 8 9 0 1 2 5	
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23. PERMISSION TO DISCLOSE NAMES (NON-NEISS CASES ONLY)				CPSC MAY DISCLOSE MY NAME <input type="checkbox"/>		CPSC MAY NOT DISCLOSE MY NAME <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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24. NARRATIVE (See Instructions on Other Side)				25. REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTOR REVIEW DATE			
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(USE OTHER SIDE AND ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)

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Pre-Accident:

This investigation was conducted in response to a newspaper report that a four year old male child died as a result of injuries received after he fell across a electric dog fence. Information gained in this case was obtained through an on-scene examination of the accident area, and conversations with the victim's aunt and police officials.

Victim's aunt stated that her husband purchased the entire electric dog fence system approximately one year ago at Lowe's Building and Supply, Clarksville, Tennessee. The electric fence was installed by victim's uncle inside of an existing dog compound that measured approximately 36 feet by 42 feet. The purpose of the electric fence was to prevent two Chow dogs from jumping up on the inside of the pre-existing fence and climbing out of their enclosure. The electric dog fence consisted of two strands of electrical fence wire attached to wooden stakes approximately one foot from the inside of the pre-existing fence. The bottom wire of the electric fence was approximately one foot from the ground and the top wire was approximately three feet from the ground.

Victim's aunt stated that the victim was approximately four feet tall and weighed approximately fifty pounds. Victim had brown hair and brown eyes. Victim was a very active child and had a history of bronchitis. Victim's mother brought the victim to their house in order for him to play with his cousin. Victim was wearing tennis shoes, a pull-over "T" shirt and short pants at the time of the accident. Victim's mother was not present at the time of the accident.

At approximately 5:15 pm, September 17, 1988, victim was playing "Frisby" with his three year old cousin in the back yard. Weather conditions were cloudy and overcast, and the temperature was approximately 75 degrees fahrenheit. It had rained earlier in the day and the ground was still wet.

Accident:

At approximately 5:30 pm, victim's uncle, who was sitting on his back porch, noticed that the victim was no longer in sight. Victim was discovered by his uncle inside of the dog compound slumped across the electric dog fence, but not in contact with the outside pre-existing fence. Victim was unconscious and a burn mark was observed behind his right knee.

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Post Accident:

Victim's uncle immediately picked up victim (without being shocked) and carried him into the house. A county police patrol responded to the location and attempted to revive the victim by Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). Victim was subsequently transported to Vanderbilt Hospital, Nashville, Tennessee where he was pronounced dead. Cause of death, as reported by the medical examiner, was identified as cardio/respiratory arrest due to electric shock and the manner of death identified as accidental.

Victim's uncle subsequently removed both strands of the electric dog fence and threw them away, however, the electrical control box was not discarded and was taken by county police detectives for examination. Their examination revealed the existence of two fuses, 1/2 Amp, 250 Volts each, inserted in the control box. It was observed from the labeling on the control box panel that both of the fuses that were used in the control box were four times the strength recommended by the manufacturer. Victim's aunt stated that when her husband was putting up the fence he attempted to use the fuses that came with the electric fence system, however, each time the recommended fuses were used the fuses would "blow" as soon as power was supplied to the control box. Victim's aunt stated that the only way to get the fence to work was to use stronger fuses.

A request was made by the CPSC investigator to obtain the control box for a sample and examination however, due to possible future litigation, the request was refused.

Telephonic contact with Lowe's Building and Supply, Clarksville, Tennessee revealed that they no longer had the Fido-Shock, pet deterrent in stock, and they have not experienced any product complaints

Standards:

No voluntary or mandatory standards information was observed on the product.

Product Identification:

The product is an electrical control box enclosed in black plastic and generally mounted indoors, on the walls of a building. Product is manufactured by Fi-SHOCK, Inc., 5360 National Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee, 37914. Additional labeling states: FIDO-SHOCK, Solid State Pet Deterrent, Electric Fence Controller. The controller is powered by 110-120 Volt 60Hz ac. Additional warnings include: "DANGER" any alterations to the design of this charger may cause serious electrical shock. At top center of the box a warning states "use one sixteenth Amp time delay fuses only"

No assembly instructions or additional warnings information was available.

Attachments:

1. Photographs
2. Medical Examiners Investigative Report, dtd 9/18/88
3. Robertson County Offense Report, dtd 9/17/88
4. Investigation Report, dtd 9/19/88
5. Newspaper Article, 9/19/88 (Nashville Banner)
6. Copy of CPSC Assignment

METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER FORENSIC SCIENCES CENTER 84 HERMITAGE AVENUE NASHVILLE TN 37210-2110 (615) 259-6920

CASE NO. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION BY COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

DECEASED: [Redacted] RACE: [Redacted] SEX: [Redacted] AGE: [Redacted] HOME ADDRESS: [Redacted] M W S D OCCUPATION: [Redacted] TYPE OF DEATH: Violent [] Casualty [X] Suicide [] Suddenly when in apparent health [] Found Dead [] In Prison [] Suspicious, unusual or unnatural [] Cremation [] Comment: electric shock If Motor Vehicle Accident Check One: Driver [] Passenger [] Pedestrian [] Unknown [] Notification by: Dr. Ann Byers / Vandy ER 322-0145 Address: Nashville Investigating Agency: M. P. D.

DESCRIPTION OF BODY: Clothed [] Unclothed [] Partly Clothed [] Circumcised Yes [] No [] Eyes: Brown; Hair: Brown; Mustache: ; Beard: ; Weight: 38.6 Pounds; Length: 40 inches; Body Temp: ; Date and Time: 9/17/88 Rigor: Yes [X] No [] Lysed [] Livor Color: Fixed [] Non-Fixed []

Marks and Wounds: Cyanosis

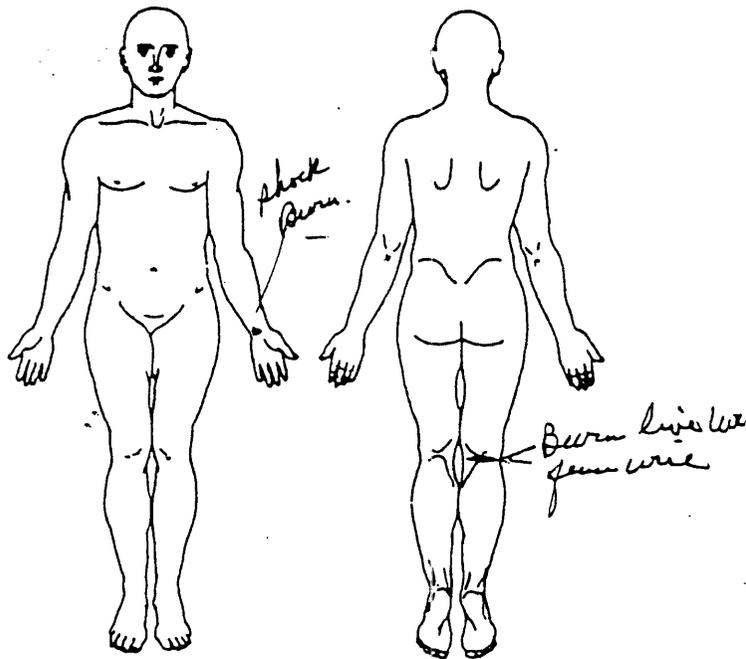


Table with 3 columns: PROBABLE CAUSE OF DEATH (Circus - kept alive due to Electric Shock from Dog Fence), MANNER OF DEATH (Accident [X], Natural [], Suicide [], Homicide [], Pending []), DISPOSITION OF CASE (1. Not a medical examiner case [], 2. Autopsy requested Yes [] No [], Autopsy ordered Yes [] No [], Pathologist)

I hereby declare that after receiving notice of the death described herein I took charge of the body and made inquiries regarding the cause of death in accordance with Section 38-701-38-714 Tennessee Code Annotated; and that the information contained herein regarding such death is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Date: 9-18-88 County of Appointment: Davidson County Signature of County Medical Examiner: [Signature]

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2. Classification ACCIDENTAL DEATH		TM 0740010	20 YEAR	09 MONTH	17 DAY	1737
1. Name DUDGE RD LAST RES. UN D-WALKER		4. Zone	3. Date/Time Occurred 09-17-88 1737		6. Date/Time Police Arrived 09-17-88 1737	
Sex	Race	D.O.B.	8. Home Address		9. Phone	
11. Business Phone N/A		12. Person Arrested N/A		Sex	Race	D.O.B.
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VEHICLE		a. License No. (LIC)	b. State	c. Year	d. Type	e. Vehicle Identification No. (VIN)	f. Year	g. Make	h. Model
NONE									
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ON SEPT 17-88 AT 5:37 PM. WHILE ON DIVIDEN RIDGE ROAD A SUBJECT FLAGGED ME DOWN AND STATED THAT THEIR'S A BOY THAT'S DOWN AND HAS STOP BREATHING. AT THE TIME MYSELF AND OFFICER RANDY CAUENDER WENT INSIDE THE RESIDENT AND FOUND A WHITE MALE JUVENILE IN THE FLOOR WITH SEVERAL SUBJECTS WERE AROUND THE KID. AT THIS TIME A NEIGHBOR STATED THAT THE YOUNG BOY GOT INTO AN ELECTRIC FENCE THAT WAS INSIDE THE DOG PEN. OFFICER CAUENDER AND ANOTHER SUBJECT IDENTIFIED AS PAMI OLSON STARTED C.P.R. ON THE SUBJECT WHILE I DISPATCHED THE AMBULANCE SERVICE, RIDGETOP FIRE DEPT, AND VANDERBILT'S LIFE-FLIGHT TO THE SCENE. APPROX 15 MIN LATER THE AMBULANCE ARRIVED AND TOOK OVER C.P.R. UNTIL LIFE FLIGHT ARRIVED. JUST A SHORT TIME AFTER LIFE FLIGHT WAS IN ROUTE TO VANDERBILT HOSPITAL WITH THE SUBJECT.

THE OWNER OF THE RESIDENT STATED THAT THE MOTHER OF THE 4 YEAR OLD BOY, [REDACTED] LEFT THE CHILD AT HIS RESIDENT WHILE SHE WENT BACK HOME. [REDACTED] STATED THAT THE KIDS WERE OUTSIDE PLAYING AND THEY NOTICED THAT THEY DID NOT SEE [REDACTED] (THE VICTIM) PLAYING WITH THE OTHER KIDS. THEY GOT UP AND LOOKED OUT AND SAW SICHEN LYING OVER INSIDE THE DOG PEN OVER THE ELECTRIC FENCE.

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21. PROPERTY	Description							22. Total Value
23. Reporting Officer HILLARD, CHARLES			Badge SGT	Unit 530	24. Approving Supervisor			
24. NARRATIVE: Give All Information Necessary, Tell Who, What, When, Where, Why And How The Incident Occurred. Give Detailed Descriptions Of Any Suspects. All Witnesses' Names, Sex, Race, D.O.B., Addresses And Phone Numbers Should Be Recorded. If A Juvenile Is Involved In Any Way In This Offense, List His Parents' Or Guardians' Names, Addresses And Phone Numbers As Well As The School He Attends.								
<p>MR. XXXXXXXXXX RAN OUT BACK, GOT THE BUY AND BROUGHT HIM INSIDE THE RESIDENT JUST AS WE PULLED INTO THE DRIVEWAY. MR. XXXXXXXXXX AND I WENT OUT TO THE DOG PEN TO LOOK AT THE FENCE AND HE STATED THAT THE FENCE WAS A 24 VOLT ELECTRIC FENCE THAT WAS PUT INSIDE THE DOG PEN TO KEEP THE DOGS AWAY FROM THE MAIN FENCE. THE MAIN FENCE STANDS ABOUT 3 1/2 FT. WITH THE ELECTRIC FENCE ABOUT A FOOT FROM THE GROUND ON THE INSIDE.</p> <p>THE MOTHER, XXXXXXXXXX WAS NOTIFIED AND WAS TRANSPORTED TO VANDERBILT HOSPITAL BY HER BROTHER. XXXXXXXXXX DAUGHTER WAS AT THE RESIDENT AT THE TIME WITH XXXXXXXXXX.</p> <p>MYSELF AND DEP. CAUENOR LEFT THE SCENE AT 6:32 P.M. AND AT 7:19 I RECEIVED A CALL FROM VANDERBILT HOSPITAL AND WAS TOLD THAT THE 4 YEAR OLD WHITE MALE JUVENILE DID NOT MAKE IT.</p>								
STATUS		Active <input type="checkbox"/>	Pending <input type="checkbox"/>	Inactive <input type="checkbox"/>	Closed <input type="checkbox"/>	Assigned To		Authority
NCIC/TIES Entries Have Been Made By:		Date		All Items Have Been Cleared From NCIC/TIES By:				Date

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Case No. [REDACTED]

TN0740000				
ORI	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	TIME

OFFENSE: _____

DATE & TIME OCCURED: _____

VICTIM: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

NARRATIVE: from officials (unknown accordind to the report) from Vanderbuilt Hospital that told him that the child died.

..... INVESTIGATORS NOTE.....: On 9/19/88 I recieved this imformation as previously described, an investigator was not notified at the time of the incident therefor the following imformation was obtained by myself during a follow up investigation some 48 hours later.

On 9/19/88 I furter spoke with officer Cavender who also was at the scene of the incident, he could not add any further imfor mation other than it appeared that ~~the~~ or someone at the res idence had possibly been cunsuming some alcoholic type beverages for there was a couple of budweiser cans setting on a table at the rear porch area where they said they where setting, Further that Mr ~~W~~ looked according to the reddish complexion to the face to have had a few beers but did not appear to Cavender to be intoxicated. Further that he (Cavender) observed the dog pen and from his memory he told me that he belives that there where two stands of electrical fence wire around the inner side of the pen, further that one of the m was approximatly one foot from the ground, Cavender further told m e that he observed a burn or bruise mark on the leg of the child tha t appeared to have been caused by a wire or some type. He further told me that there was no other marks such as bruising or laseration s or contusions that he saw on the body of the child and that he

- STATUS: ACTIVE
- PENDING
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- CLOSED

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR
ROBERTSON COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT

DATE OF THIS REPORT 9/19/88