MEMO TO FILE

On Tuesday, October 27, 1992, Gary Corson and Rick Williams from City Utilities came to this office to see if we could help them locate the source of a strange smell in the storm sewers in the area of the 1000 block of north Boonville and the 200 block of west Nichols and west Central. They said they had the most complaints about the storm box on Nichols street across from Springfield Laundry at 1001 N. Boonville. Gene Pabst and I met them at that storm box. We couldn't smell anything and our Neotronics meter didn't pick up anything. Gene and I then went to look in the storm grate behind Hamby's Restaurant. We could smell natural gas. We told Gary and Rick about it. By the time they met us there the odor had faded considerably. Gary was getting a reading on his flame ionization meter at the grate. We also looked in the storm sewer openings at Campbell and Central. We didn't get any readings there. Gary and Rick said there was a gas main in the area and they would probably have to drill some holes in the asphalt.

On Wednesday, October 28, 1992, Gary Corson called and said they had found a broken 4" gas main about 2 feet from the storm drain at Campbell and Central. He also said he had gone down in the storm sewer and the water was clear and odorless.

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