



INVESTIGATION SUMMARY REPORT

**McNEILL STREET WATER PLANT
142 NORTH COMMON ST
SHREVEPORT, LA.**

OCTOBER 8th, 2017

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**NOTE: THE CLIENTS IN THIS INVESTIGATION HAVE ALLOWED LA. SPIRITS TO
MAKE INVESTIGATION RESULTS AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.**

HISTORY

The McNeill Street Water Treatment Plant was constructed in 1887 as the original water works for the City of Shreveport, Louisiana. It was the second water works built in Louisiana and one of the first in the post-Civil War South. As with many other municipal utilities developed during this era, it began as a private franchise that constructed and operated water treatment and distribution and sewer collection facilities. The franchise of the Shreveport Water Works Company, as it was originally known, lasted for 30 years and through four different owners, before the City of Shreveport forced the sale of the water system to the City. The site later became known as the McNeill Street Water Treatment Plant due to its location at the end of McNeill Street north of downtown and to differentiate it from the new water works constructed at Cross Lake in 1931.

The historic portions of the McNeill Street Water Purification and Pumping Station were finally retired and abandoned by the city in 1980. These areas include the intake structures adjacent to Cross Bayou, the sedimentation basins built in 1887 and rebuilt using concrete in 1926, the exterior filters and filter control building constructed in the 1940's, and the original 1887 building, which was enlarged several times during its 93 years of use, and the antique equipment housed by this structure. This machinery includes some of the earliest water treatment filtration equipment installed in the United States, dating from 1890 and 1900, and steam-powered pumping engines that were installed in 1898, 1900, 1920, and 1927. When the 1917 boilers that provided the steam that powered the plant were finally extinguished in 1980, the McNeill Street Plant was thought to be the last operating steam-powered water treatment plant in the United States by the Smithsonian.

Since its retirement, the McNeill Street Plant has been recognized many times for its historic and technological values. The Historic American Building Survey and the Historic American Engineering Record surveyed and recorded the site and its equipment in 1980, archiving the information in the U. S. Library of Congress. That same year, museum curators from the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. visited and investigated the facility and considered portions of its pumping machinery to be probably the last remaining examples of their types, and especially significant because they were still in their originally installed locations and still operable.

EXPERIENCES

People have reported feeling heaviness in various parts of the building and a general feeling of being uncomfortable.

No known deaths in the plant but records are incomplete. It's hard to imagine an industrial water plant in use for almost 100 years with no accidents on site

INVESTIGATION

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PARTICIPANTS: BESS MAXWELL, KIRK CORMIER, TRACI MYERS, KEITH MYERS, CONNIE WILLIAMSON, AND SUSAN COLEMAN

EQUIPMENT: Digital Cameras, Infrared cameras and DVR system, Digital audio recorders, Ion Counters, P-SB7 Spirit Box, Infra-sound detection equipment, Digital thermometers, Various EMF meters including Tri-Fields and Rempod, Motion detectors including geophone and laser grid systems, and Ovilus interactive voice communications device.

INVESTIGATION: At the time and places tested, no anomalous photos were taken. No data was noted on video. Nothing unusual was detected by laser grid or geophone. No high EMF fields from AC current were found in many locations likely to result in prolonged exposure. No anomalous hot spots were noted. No anomalous motions were noted. No EVP clips was recorded. No EVP clips formed by the P-SB7 were noted. Personal experiences were strong

PART ONE - AUDIO THE MODEL P-SB7 SPIRIT BOX

This device utilizes a milli-second adjustable forward or reverse sweep technique coupled with a white noise distribution between frequency steps. This is designed to add ambient sound energy for the production of real time EVP, allowing for instant feedback in communications attempts. See item 16 in “General Parameters of the EVP Phenomenon”.

NONE NOTED

STANDARD EVP AUDIO, WITH NO INTENTIONALLY ADDED ENERGY SOURCE

NONE NOTED

PERSONAL EXPERIENCES

Throughout the entire evening, all team members heard voices from areas where no one was present. The members heard footsteps from areas where no one was present, and the sound of shuffling, as is individuals were moving around. Immediate checking showed no one in the areas from which these sounds originated. These sounds were clear and obvious.

CONCLUSION

At the time and places tested, no anomalous photos were taken. No data was noted on video. Nothing unusual was detected by laser grid. Some high EMF fields from AC current or other sources were found in some locations. No anomalous hot spots or cold spots were noted. No anomalous motions were noted. No EVP clips were found made of words formed by the P-SB7. No EVP clips were recorded by standard digital recording. We feel that these experiences, and the positive tests received are probably indicative of an anomalous presence or presences, and that these do not seem malicious or harmful in any way. The personal experiences, with their consistency and strength, probably is indicative of an anomalous presence or presences, though reclusive in nature, or possibly intimidated by a large number of strangers on the premises at one time.

We would like to thank the clients for inviting us into their building, and for the opportunity to study the phenomena there. We would also like to thank them for their most gracious hospitality, and hope that me may be able to return there again soon.

**John Combs
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