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00:28:35: Continuation of statement from previous tape

Rick: . . . to be at least four people involved with that group that night because the man that got the sandwich entered and left the Ryder truck on the passenger side, there was a white, four-door car and the brown pickup that needed a driver and I assume they had, there was the driver of the Ry, Ryder truck, which would have made four people, not just the two that are charged right now.

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J.D.: I think he should say that he couldn't see inside the white sedan or the pickup to tell anything about what those men looked like or how many there could be.

Rick S.: As the Ryder truck left the lot, the white, four-door car and the brown pickup both had to have at least one person in 'em, but I didn't, wasn't payin' attention to how many people were in those vehicles, I couldn't see inside of 'em, I was watchin' the Ryder truck leave the lot with the, and payin' attention more to the tank because that's something I had never seen before.

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J.D.: Is it frustrating to you, after having testified before the grand jury and gone to Denver on the Nichols trial, that the authorities act like this case is closed, when you know there must obviously be more people involved? Jim: Let's talk about how you feel about it now looking back, say, "As I look back . . . "

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Rick S.: As I look back over the, the bombing, I still don't understand why there's only two people charged with the bombing because there had to be at least four people involved and the government's, still claims there's, they've got and others, but they don't seem to be looking for them anymore.

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Jim: How does that make you feel?

Rick S.: It makes me feel frustrated and je, just kinda, I don't know, it's just disappointing that they can't seem to be investigating the th, the other witnesses and myself, tryin' to find these other men involved in such a horrible crime.

00:31:15:

Jim: Ok, I don't know what you said there about "myself", but do we want to talk about what he did and did he write letters?

J.D.: Yeah I hate to get into that, but I would like him to say that, "I wanted to impress the FBI so much that I have even offered to take a polygraph."

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Jim: What happened to you afterwards and what did you do about it and why did you do it?

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Rick S.: OK, after I had sent the information to the FBI I . . . (cut).

Jim: Why did you send information to the FBI, I need to know?

Rick S.: OK after I sent the information to the FBI I uh, (cut).

(Repeat) 00:01:06:

Rick S.: Ok after I sent the information to the FBI about my sighting of Tim

McVeigh and others on the ah, April 17th 1995, I was a little frustrated because the FBI never got back to me until April 2nd 1998, but during that interview they were interested in the white, four-door car and somewhat interested in the other man that I saw. I also volunteered to take a polygraph test from the FBI, to verify my information, but I've never received any response from them on that. I've also written senators as well to try to get the FBI to look more fully into the others that were involved in the bombing, not just McVeigh and Nichols.

(Repeat) 00:02:37: Jim: Let's see more of your frustration.

Rick S.: After I had reported what I had seen to the FBI . . .

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(Repeat) After I had reported what I had seen to the FBI and I was frustrated because they didn't get back to me until April 2nd 1998, they were interested in the white, four-door car that I had seen, they were somewhat interested in the other man that I had seen, although I couldn't identify him, I ended up volunteering to take a polygraph test to verify the information that I had given them and I'd also written letters to senators to try to get the FBI to investigate the other people that are involved in the bombing, not just Tim McVeigh and Terry Nichols.

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Jim: Why do you think they didn't get back to you? 1998, three years later? Let's get that. Say, "I couldn't believe that someone who saw them the night before, you know, it's three years before they even interviewed me." That's really strange. That really sounds out of line.

00:03:56:

Rick S.: I couldn't believe that it took the FBI almost three years before they finally interviewed me, that was April 2nd 1998. I've als, I also volunteered to take a polygraph test to verify the information that I had given them . . .

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(Repeat) Rick S.: After I had sent the information to the FBI, it was over three years before the FBI finally contacted me and that was after I'd been subpoenaed by Tim McVeigh's attorneys for his trial, by Terry Nichols attorneys

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for his trial and by the Oklahoma Grand Jury for their investigation. It was April 2nd 1998 when the FBI finally contacted me. During that interview, they were interested in the white, four-door car and somewhat interested in the other man, but I couldn't identify him. Ah, It's, I also wrote some U.S. senators, well all the U.S. senators, all one hundred of 'em, and, to try to get the FBI to find the other people involved in the Oklahoma City bombing, not just Terry Nichols and Tim McVeigh.

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Jim: Were you frustrated by it, I mean, why did you do this? What were you doin' it for?

Rick S.: I was doin' it because there are other people involved in the bombing, not just Terry Nichols and Tim McVeigh and the FBI doesn't seem to want to track those other people down and somebody's got a formula that can blow up the Murrah Building and there's still others out there then, it could happen again.

Jim: Why did you take it upon yourself and kind of rephrase it? He directs Rick.

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Rick: Oh yeah, I couldn't believe that I was called by McVeigh's attorneys and not by the FBI and for the government prosecuted (mumble) instead, ah.

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Jim: Did they tell you why they called you? Yeah.

Rick: McVeigh? Because of the others that were involved, they were tryin' to show that there's more than just Tim McVeigh and Terry Nichols involved in the bombing. And Nichols' trial was the same way, that's what they were trying to do was show that there was others involved and that nobody had seen Terry Nichols. Ah, the Oklahoma Grand Jury testified before them for three and a half hours and they were interested in what I saw, but they were told from the beginning that I was from Kingman, Arizona instead of Kingman, Kansas and, but they were interested in what I had to say. They even sent investigators up here to take photographs and save a trip and then I started writing U.S. senators to try to get them to get the FBI to, to find out everybody else that was involved in the bombing, not just Tim McVeigh and Terry Nichols. I've even written Vice President Gore and President Clinton and they all switch it back to the FBI, which still isn't getting us anywhere as far as, finding the others involved in this bombing.

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J.D. and Jim coach and direct Rick.

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Rick S.: After I wrote to the FBI, I've also testified before ah, Tim McVeigh's , well not testified, but was called as a witness as, in Tim McVeigh's trial.

(Repeat) After I sent the information to the FBI, I was called as a witness for Tim McVeigh's trial, fer the pros, er, for the defense. I was called by the defense fer Terry Nichols' trial, both to show that others were involved in the bombing. Ah, I was also called before the Oklahoma Grand Jury and I testified for three and a half hours down there and they sent investigators up here to take photographs and save a trip. Ah, I also wrote all one hundred U.S. senators and asked them to have the FBI reopen the case and find the other people that were involved in the bombing, not just Tim McVeigh and Terry Nichols. I also had a local police officer call the FBI twice and he got nowhere with them either.

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Jim: Why, honestly, do you feel that they weren't interested?

Rick: I don't understand why they're not interested that, think they'd want the other people involved in the bombing all to be prosecuted and not run lose, but it's still, I don't understand why they haven't pursued other, the other people.

Jim gives directions and opening statement.

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Rick: I still don't understand why the FBI hasn't pursued the other people involved in the bombing. It's just still a mystery to me why they haven't done that. I don't understand their reasoning for it.

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Jim: Is there anything else you want to say? How has this changed your life?

Rick S.: It just kind of makes me look at the FBI a little different than, cause I thought they were supposed to, you know, go after everybody that's involved in a crime, not just a selected two or three.

00:12:51:

Jim: When you saw that liquid in that barrel what did you think it was?

Rick S.: I didn't know what the liquid in the barrel was, just it was, the barrel was pretty much full of liquid.

Jim: Was it clear or colored?

Rick S.: It was clear. Clear liquid.

Jim gives direction and lines.

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(Repeat) Rick S.: As the Ryder truck left the lot, I could see the liquid sloshing around in the back of the tank. The tank was large, it was at least six feet across and about the height of the Ryder truck and it would have just barely fit into the back of the Ryder truck so it would have held easily over a thousand gallons of liquid, whatever liquid that was. It was a clear liquid and it was a large plastic tank, circular tank.

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(Repeat) As the Ryder truck left the lot, I noticed the large tank on the back of the, on the car carrier that it was pulling. The tank was, the width of the car carrier at least six feet across and just under the height of the Ryder truck, which woulda made it at least 8 or so feet high, woulda held easily a thousand gallons of whatever liquid it was carryin', it was sloshin' around, you could tell that from the light, the street light when it entered Highway 54. Ah, It's somethin' that I'd never seen pulled behind a Ryder truck before, large plastic tank like that and actually I've never seen a plastic tank like that again either. So I don't know where it came from er what was in it.

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Jim: What have you learned that the American people need to know?

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Rick S. What I've learned from all this is you see something, you report it to the proper authorities and your not always believed and it doesn't matter whether you want to take a polygraph test er not, if they don't want the information, they don't use it. And its really frustrating cause there's only so much you can do as a witness to prove that you saw them, there's no tape of it or anything, so.

Jim gives instructions and opening "Its been frustrating because . . ."

(Repeat) Overall its been frustrating not to have the FBI check ah, on all the rest of the people that are involved in the bombing.

(Repeat) Overall its been frustrating that the FBI hasn't followed up on the other people involved in the bombing.

00:18:40:

J.D. Explain why you waited a week before you sent anything in to the FBI.

Rick S.: OK. It was over a week before I sent the information in to the FBI about seeing Tim McVeigh and that's because they had shown two people on, that they were looking for and I knew there had to be at least four and working alone at night it, you kinda debate about whether you want to get involved er not with somebody that's just blown up a building and killed 168 people and injured over 500. You're an easy target at night.

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00:20:51: (Repeat) It was a week after I'd seen Tim McVeigh in the Ryder truck before I sent the information in to the FBI, but that's because there was at least four involved in what I had seen and the FBI had two pictures of, that, of men that they were looking for. I didn't know whether I wanted to be involved because there were still two people that were unaccounted for and the FBI wasn't looking for, at that time, so. And at night, being alone, you don't know whether they'll come back er what'll happen. Especially since one of the ones that I had seen wasn't one of the pictures that the FBI had out.

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Jim: Tell us about the guy who you got the best look at, the one who came in and got a sandwich.

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Rick S.: OK I didn't send the information in to the FBI right away because there had to be at least four people involved in the bombing, with this group that I saw, and one of 'em, that I could identify, wasn't pictured in, as one of the two that the FBI were looking for, and as such, I didn't know where he was er what he might do if I sent in a report and had the FBI talkin' to me right away.

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(Repeat) I didn't in the information to the FBI til about a week after I'd seen them at the station because one man that I could identify with Tim McVeigh wasn't the other one, the one that was pictured by the FBI in the papers and he was the one who had the sandwich, but not knowing what happened to him or who the other one was that was with 'em, I didn't feel comfortable sending it in right away. I didn't know what would happen.

(Repeat) I didn't send in the information right away to the FBI until about a week later because there was at least four people involved in, in the group that I saw and the one man, that I could identify, that ate the sandwich was short, about 5'6", kinda stockely built, had short hair, and kinda muscular built, but he wasn't pictured in the sketches that the FBI released as bein' looked for, plus there was another man that the FBI wasn't looking for so, I wasn't sure whether I wanted to be involved with two people st, unaccounted for that were part of the Oklahoma City bombing that killed 168 people and injured over 500. I wasn't sure what would happen to me really. (Jim coaches) I wasn't sure of what would happen to me or the other people that worked at Save-a-Trip. (Jim coaches) I was afraid of what the other two people that the FBI hadn't accounted for might come back and eliminate a witness er whatever because of the one guy that I could definitely

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identify still wasn't pictured within the FBI sketches of the two men that they were looking for, fer the bombing.

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(Repeat) I didn't send the information to the FBI right away because I was worried about the fact that there was four peep, at least four people involved and not just two and one of the men was not in the sketches that the FBI had out and I was kinda worried about what he might do or the other ones might do, since they'd already killed 168 people, what's one more to keep their secret.

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Sav-a-Trip sign CU. Tilt up and down with zoom in. Street signs, tilt up to Sav-a

• -Trip sign to zoom out LS of station. Zooms in an out of station.

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