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ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

PA Number: PA09233P

Report Date: 10/26/2009 9:54 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Department ID: 848

Department Type: STAGENCY

Agency Name: Texas Department
Of Criminal Justice

Agency Number: TX236065C

Agency Phone: 9364375116

Agency Address: 2503 Lake Road,
Suite 5

Agency City: Huntsville

Agency County: Walker

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 77340

Director Information

Director Salutation:

Mr.

Director First Name:

Brad

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name:

Livingston

Reporter Name: Delana Wilson

Reporter Email: delana.wilson@tdcj.state.tx.us

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 812 12th St

City: Huntsville

County: Walker

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody:

Penitentiary

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

TDCJ

Custody Type Facility:

Huntsville Unit

What was the time and date of the deceased's entry into the law enforcement facility where the death occurred (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Entry Date Time: 7/3/2007 12:00 AM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: At medical facility

Death Location Elsewhere:

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Todd

Middle Name:

Last Name: Hughes

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 9/11/1970

Sex: Male

Ethnicity: Anglo

Date/Time of Death (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Death Date and Time: 10/20/2009 3:34
PM

Date/Time of Custody (arrest, incarceration) (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Date/Time of Custody or Incident:

7/3/2007 12:00 AM

Manner / Cause of Death

Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

Medical Examiner/Coroner Evaluation?:

Yes, results are available

What was the manner of death? (select only one)

Manner of Death:

Accidental injury to self

Manner of Death Description:

Death Reason:

Not applicable

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

electrocution

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment:

Not Applicable

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

Who caused the death?:

Don't know

Death Causer Other:

If a weapon caused the death, what type of weapon caused the death? (mark all that apply)

Type of Death Weapon:

Not Applicable

Was the cause of death the result of a pre-existing medical condition or did the decedent develop the condition after admission?

Pre existing medical condition?:

Not Applicable; cause of death was accidental injury, intoxication, suicide or homicide

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death? _____

Means of Death:

Other

General Information

What were the most serious offense(s) with which the deceased was (or would have been) charged with at the time of death? _____

Offense 1:

Intoxication Manslaughter w/Deadly Weapon

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges::

Convicted

What were the types of charges or reason for contact? _____

Type of Offense:

Injuries of Decedent

Injured By: Injured by NA

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent: _____

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or

Exhibit any mental health

drugs): No

problems?:

Exhibit any medical problems?:

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Threaten the officer(s) involved: No

Resist being handcuffed or arrested?: No

Try to escape/flee from custody: No

Grab, hit or fight with the officer(s): No

Other Behavior:

Specify Other Behavior:

Use weapon threaten/assault officer(s): 0

Was the deceased under restraint in the time leading up to the death or the events causing the death?

Under Restraint:

No

Summary of Incident

Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

Offender Hughes was repairing a broken water line in a recently trenched ditch. Hughes who was on the ground above the water pipe, held the pipe as a second offender worked on the line. Both offenders received an electrical shock from an unknown source in or near the water pipe, both offenders last consciousness. CPR was immediately initiated and 911 called. Hughes remained unresponsive and taken by ambulance to the Huntsville Memorial Hospital for greater care. Hughes was pronounced deceased.

