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1 Is this some type of release compound or
2 something?
3 A That's bottom paint.
4 Q Ten is?
5 A Pardon me?
6 Q Ten would be bottom paint?
7 A The black?
8 Q Yeah.
9 A Is paint.
10 Q Why would you have bottom paint on
11 this epoxy plug?
12 A Because that was -- this was -- okay,
13 first I drill a 5-inch hole saw.
14 Q Yeah.
15 A I only drill through the inner
16 fiberglass of the hull and the core. I don't go
17 all the way through.
18 Q Except for the --
19 A Except for the --
20 Q -- pilot?
21 A -- except for the pilot bit.
22 Q Okay.
23 A So the 5-inch hole saw drills through
24 the inner fiberglass, it drills through the

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1 mahogany core --
2 Q Yeah.
3 A -- and then I stop drilling. I take a
4 chisel and I chisel that piece out. That leaves
5 just fiberglass that looks like this
6 (indicating).
7 Q I see.
8 A Then I grind back the raw edge of the
9 mahogany. I then fiberglass over the mahogany
10 and to this piece here (indicating).
11 Q Yeah.
12 A That cures, then I still have my
13 center hole for my pilot, then I drill a
14 2-inch -- which this size is -- hole saw through
15 the new fiberglass which I just put in which is
16 cured and the old fiberglass which is this
17 showing the bottom paint --
18 Q Okay.
19 A -- okay, which is now all one piece,
20 and the thru-hull fitting is now through solid
21 fiberglass, and the mahogany core is encapsulated
22 to the rest of the boat and cannot get wet
23 through this fitting.
24 All of the thru-hulls that I put into

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1 this boat are done that specific way which I was
2 showing you in Exhibit 3I with the upper
3 right-hand corner thru-hull fitting --
4 Q Yeah.
5 A -- which shows a 2-inch bronze
6 thru-hull fitting for the intake for the engine
7 which is, by the way, a double thru-hull which
8 you can see below it another knot, which if
9 Nathan Carman decided he wanted to use a washdown
10 pump, he could use this same thru-hull fitting,
11 pull two inlets off of it --
12 Q Yeah.
13 A -- with one petcock valve.
14 Q Is a petcock a check valve?
15 A No, it's a petcock.
16 Q Or what is it?
17 A It's a valve, it's a bronze valve.
18 Q Okay. And in Exhibit -- again, I'm
19 referring to Exhibit 3 --
20 A 3I.
21 Q -- 3I, is this red stuff you see sort
22 of behind this fitting in the upper right-hand
23 corner, is that that epoxy -- what's left over of
24 that epoxy core that you referred to that you

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1 drill through, you --
2 A No, that's like just a smooth --
3 that's to smooth out the roughness so that the
4 bronze fitting has a nice smooth fitting to --
5 smooth surface to attach to.
6 Q Okay.
7 A It's resin or -- or -- you know, it's
8 fiberglass, but resin.
9 Q But it looks like -- it looks to me
10 first to be that it looked to be a circle which
11 is partially blocked by the fitting in the upper
12 right-hand corner of Exhibit 3I, okay?
13 A Well, it's solid fiberglass.
14 Q Correct. And it looks to be different
15 material between the reddish material on one side
16 of the circle and the beige'ish material on the
17 other, and I was wondering, is this this hockey
18 puck of fiberglass and resin through which you
19 drill your thru-hull?
20 A It could very well be. Sometimes
21 resin takes different colors depending on how you
22 mix the resin together.
23 Q Oh, I see what you're saying. I
24 wasn't focusing on the color, I was focusing on