FINAL REPORT DATE: November 30, 2014

**FI ID#** 5465

**CASE#:** 59652

**BGE Results:** Total Certainty Index is 38.28 %

**LATITUDE / LONGITUDE:** (45.638728 / -122.661486) Note: I have used the general coordinates for Vancouver in order not to divulge the location where the witness was conducting surveillance at the time of the sighting.

**SYNOPSIS:** RP reported that while on duty in Vancouver, WA on 07/02/2014 at about 1300 hours, he observed below-described UFO move from right to left while elevating. As the unknown object moved to the left and upwards, the front of the object began to shimmer and disappear and in about 2-3 seconds the craft was completely invisible.

<u>OBJECT DESCRIPTION</u>: Circular metallic object that flew silently across the sky and was observed to disappear or become invisible while it was under observation. The leading edge of the object was seen to shimmer and disappear as the object passed an invisible vertical line in the sky followed by the rest of the object until it was completely invisible. Described as moving across the sky faster than a conventional aircraft.

**INTERVIEW/STATEMENTS:** Multiple interviews by phone and by e-mail. Communication is ongoing.

**NATURAL/MANMADE PHENOMENON:** There is no known natural phenomena that would account for the object described. Very advanced military technology is a conceivable explanation, but this raises the question of why such technology would be exhibited in plain view of a very large civilian population.

**WEATHER INFORMATION:** 72 degrees, 5.8 mph wind SSW, Clear

**LOCATION:** Vancouver, WA – City of Vancouver is in Washington State on the Columbia River across from Portland, OR. The population of Vancouver is about 167,000. The Portland-Vancouver Metro area is the 24<sup>th</sup> largest in the USA with a total population estimated at 2,314,000. Portland International Airport is a major facility and is home to the Oregon Air National Guard; it is the most likely origin of the F-15 fighter that is part of this incident.

## **INVESTIGATION REPORT**:

On Sunday, 07/13/2014 the witness called the phone number listed for Washington State MUFON; this is my cell phone. He was hesitant at first. He said he needed to talk to someone about an experience he had. The witness stated he found my information on the Internet and he decided to call me because I have a background in UFOs and law enforcement. (I am a retired police sergeant with 20 years of service and at the time of this call I was coming to the end of 10 years of service as a fraud investigator for Washington State.) When he called I was away from home so we arranged a time later the same day for an interview.

I called him back and I told him about MUFON and about the investigative process. He started off hesitant, because of his position as a law enforcement officer he was concerned that he might place his job in jeopardy if he was identified. But he added what he saw was so startling it had changed his view of reality. He added that his vision is 20/15, he is in excellent health and he considers himself to be a careful observer. This is why he can't deny the reality of what he observed.

The sighting occurred while he was on duty in Vancouver, WA on 07/02/2014 at about 1300 hours. After the witness explained the nature of his job, we agreed that I would not reveal his name or employer. This is why when I filed the report with MUFON to obtain a CMS Case Number I did not identify the witness.

The witness was very candid about his qualifications and background. It is entirely in keeping with his position and I believe he is probably risking a lot by reporting his sighting, but I also concur that it is important that he made this report.

He was in the passenger seat of a vehicle with a partner. The other officer was not looking in the same direction as he was. He stated he did not tell him what he had seen either because he was worried about the consequences of saying he had seen a UFO.

When he described the circular metallic object that he observed crossing a clear sky at one in the afternoon, he made the comment, "While I was watching it, I really hoped I would see something normal, propellers, jet engines, wings, anything like a conventional aircraft. It had no components of ordinary airframes."

Given the qualifications of the witness, I am including his statement in its entirety as follows:

## WITNESS STATEMENT:

On July 2, 2014, at approximately 1300 hours, I was on-duty and near the intersection of (Location Deleted by JC), Vancouver, Washington. The weather was warm, with excellent visibility, and a partly cloudy sky. I was in my vehicle, facing east, toward (Deleted). My window was rolled down, providing me with an unobstructed view of the southern and eastern sky.

I noticed movement in the sky, approximately forty-five degrees above the horizon, to the southeast. I observed a metallic disc, silver-in-color and circular in shape, moving rapidly across the sky from the south to the northeast. This movement was from my right to my left.

The object was shiny and glinted in the sun as it moved. It appeared to be several thousand feet in elevation, and from my perspective, appeared to be the size of a dime held at arms-length. I heard no sound at all from the object, and there was no contrail. Further, it looked uniformly metallic and circular, with no visible wings, tail, windows, lights, landing gear, or other components of conventional airframes, both rotor and fixed-wing. It also did not look similar to any Unmanned Aerial Vehicles I have observed.

I observed the object travel up and to my left, which was north/northeast. I saw it increase in elevation rapidly in a straight line, and it appeared to be travelling faster than any conventional aircraft. After approximately five seconds, I observed the leading edge of the object shimmer and disappear. I observed this continue, as an image of the surrounding blue sky enveloped the object, moving in a vertical line across the surface to the rear edge, until the object blended in with the sky behind it.

As this change occurred, I observed a slight blurriness in the changed areas, inconsistent with the sky behind it. This distortion was similar to looking at an object immersed in water. However, once the entire object had changed, this effect stopped and I immediately lost sight of the object. The time from complete visibility to disappearance was approximately two to three seconds.

At the time of disappearance, the surrounding sky was blue and cloudless. I continued looking but was unable to find the object. Approximately thirty seconds later, I observed a jet fighter aircraft flying rapidly along the same course the disc had taken. I recognized this aircraft, based on prior experience, to be an F-15. I was only able to observe the bottom of the aircraft, and no insignia were visible, but it looked identical to the F-15 fighters based at the Portland Air National Guard base.

I observed the F-15 follow the same flight path, moving from my right to upper left. It continued, flying beyond where I had last seen the object, but in the same direction and elevation. From my perspective, the F-15 was the approximate size of a quarter held at arms-length. Additionally, the F-15 was extremely loud while passing over, whereas the disc was silent. I observed the F-15 continue to the northeast, out of my line of sight.

Based on my training and experience, this was no known military or civilian aircraft, Unmanned Aerial Vehicle, astronomical phenomenon, balloon, atmospheric effect, or misidentification of a known object. This object was a real, physical, tangible craft, and it exhibited flight characteristics at least comparable to a military fighter aircraft. Further, the object's ability to adopt complete camouflage, which was capable of effectively mirroring the surrounding environment, is a capability which to my knowledge has not been successfully developed or implemented. Nothing further.

We discussed the weather conditions at the time of the sighting. It was warm with excellent visibility and a partly cloudy sky. In Vancouver. The witness was in the passenger of a vehicle on a surveillance mission. He was facing east with the window rolled down. There was an unobstructed view of south and east sky. He was first attracted by a movement in the sky 45 degrees above the horizon.

He observed the object a uniformly metallic and circular disc moving 120 degrees to NE to about 90 degrees. It moved from Right to left and upwards in his field of view. It was shiny and glinted in the Sun. He believes it was possibly a few thousand feet in the sky. It appeared the same size as a dime at arm's length. There was no sound at all.

The F-15 fighter arrived shortly after the object disappeared. It was very loud. By comparison the F-15 appeared to be the size of a quarter held at arm's length. The witness is very familiar with F-15 fighters because of prior work experience, but I am not revealing further details about his background.

Shortly after I completed the initial investigation, I contacted William Puckett, founder of UFOSNW (<a href="www.ufosnw.com">www.ufosnw.com</a>), retired from a career with NOAA and highly experienced in meteorology and radar. I asked him if it would be possible to obtain radar data related to this report.

On September 1, 2014 he sent the report that follows in response to my request. I also asked about whether or not the altitude of the objects could be determined. He replied that, "The approach radars (ASR-9 and ASR-11's) don't have height finding. Only the modernistic long range radars (ARSR-4's) have

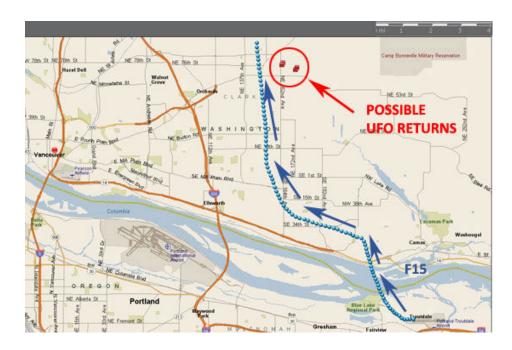
this capability. These radars are characteristically on borders and the coasts. However, the FAA doesn't provide the 3D data (height). The Air Force did, but now they are not responding to requests."

## RADAR REPORT RECIEVED ON 09/01/2014 - Report from William Puckett

## **Interpretation of Radar Report:**

Radar data was requested from the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) for Portland International Airport for July 2, 2014 from 12:45 PM to 1:15 PM PDT. Analysis revealed that an aircraft (possible F15 as described by witness) departed Portland-Troutdale Airport at around 1:08 PM PDT. The aircraft proceeded to the NW and then turned to a near N heading. The craft rose to about 10,000 feet and a speed of 350 MPH by 1:15 PM. Two groups of "uncorrelated primary" returns were found to the NE of the witness position at around 1:12 and 1:13 PM respectively. This was a few minutes before the probable F15 aircraft arrived. This is consistent with what the witness saw. The F15 was likely from the Oregon Air National Guard which is stationed at Portland International Airport. It is not known why the aircraft took off from Portland-Troutdale Airport. A search has revealed that the runway at Portland-Troutdale Airport is a little over 1 mile long. This is sufficient length for a F15 to land and take off. The F15 aircraft needs a runway with a minimum of 3,000 feet length. (Source Wikipedia.) A search (Wikipedia) also revealed that military aircraft do use the Portland-Troutdale Airport. It is not known for sure if the primary returns belong to the UFO. The witness stated that the UFO was only visible for about 5 seconds. This is slightly longer than one rotation of the radar antenna (4.8 seconds) so it would be expected that the UFO would probably only show up for one rotation of the radar. The radar returns could be due to other effects such as "radar angels," but they also could belong to the UFO.

The map showing radar returns can be viewed below:



Again I can't say for certain if the primary returns are the UFO, but they could be. The flight characteristics of the aircraft are consistent with a F15 as described by the witness. I have updated my

webpage with the report. I did not reveal any personal witness information. Let me know if you have any questions.

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**WITNESS CREDIBILITY:** Very high credibility based upon training, experience and the level of risk involved in making this report.

**CORRELATING CASES:** CMS 58006 from July 5 involved a disc-shaped UFO in the Vancouver area.

**CONCLUSION:** Based on the witness statement, additional interviews, evaluation of radar data, I believe this is a high credibility Unknown Aerial Vehicle sighting with radar confirmation.