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### London, Ohio Correctional Institute - Unravalled

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LoCI UPDATE:

In April and May of 1998, Ohio MUFON Director Bill Jones and associate researcher Don Weatherby conducted an investigation of UFO sightings thought to have been reported near the vicinity of the London, Ohio Correctional Institute. Their LoCI investigations were based upon fleeting and incomplete information conveyed over two separate radio stations from listeners who had 'heard the reports.'

Jones and Weatherby are to be commended for conducting a thorough and comprehensive 3-week effort to unravel this situation, which included interviews with police and prison officials, plus performing a house- to-house check with residents in the area. They determined that no tangible information could be found to support such claims.

The source for this mysterious 'LoCI' information which sparked their investigations may be London, Ohio researcher Peggy Tillman.

This determination was made from an article posted on the UFO UpDates List moderated by Errol Bruce Knapp:

Sun 05-03-98 02:47 pm

Alien Spacecraft Using Prison As 'Gas Station'

LONDON, Ohio (Wireless Flash) - UFO researchers think a prison in London, Ohio, is being used as a sort of "service station" for alien spaceships.

Researcher Peggy Tillman says the London Correctional Institution is regularly visited by alien craft which hover over the site for about five minutes, perhaps refueling before jetting away. The prison is located on Route 665, a highway that locals refer to as the "UFO Highway."

Tillman also reports that many of the eyewitnesses who have seen spacecraft "fuel up" over the prison have later spotted a Bigfoot in the area. Could the hairy creature be some type of paranormal pump attendant?

However, not everyone believes the prison is an extraterrestrial Exxon. London Correctional Institution spokesman Don Rayna says he=92s unaware of any alien visits to the prison.

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The date for this article was May 3, 1998. Evidently, Don Weatherby informed that his friend had heard a 'news flash' from an Indianapolis radio station on April 29, 1998, four days before this was posted on the internet.

During a telephone chat with Peggy Tillman on Saturday, May 25, I learned that it was HER who had performed a radio interview... probably on April 29... in which she discussed a UFO sighting near LoCI.

Tillman said that she is in routine contact with a man from California named MOORE (sp?) who puts articles from her on WIRELESS NEWS SERVICE which carries stories 'from the fringe.' Tillman states that she gets calls from all around, including 'the Congo,' and she frequently performs radio interviews as a result.

On the particular April 29 interview, which she said may have been heard in Columbus and Indianapolis, she thought she 'may have talked about the LoCI UFOs.'

Tillman said that the UFOs use LoCI to 'jump start' their vehicles, and it is a good refueling point. She said that sparks are frequently seen to emerge from the ground and make contact with the "flying saucers", giving them extra power. Although she doesn't know of any specific sightings in April, she worked from 'memory' to recall a number of previous reports from the area. She, herself, claims to have seen a Triangular UFO in South Charleston, which was a bright, intense light.

"I wondered what was holding it up?" she said.

Strangely, Peggy Tillman did not document the UFO sighting which she claims to have been a witness to. However, the UFO researcher mused that the UFO she saw around 10:00 p.m. that undetermined evening was in the direction of the LoCI facility.

From this new finding, we can determine that there is probably little basis for reasoning that a UFO sighting was widely reported in or near the LoCI facility on Tuesday, April 28, 1998, as previously suspected. This unfortunate affair seems to have been generated by comments from Tillman during her radio interview, in which she surmised various theories and recounted an undocumented personal sighting she claims to have had on some undetermined date.

Following the 'WIRELESS NEWS SERVICE' report, Peggy Tillman was contacted on May 4 by the Comedy Channel, whose producers dispatched a television crew to London, Ohio to create a humorous satire of the London, Ohio reports, spoofing the situation with derision and tomfoolery. The comical expose of the London, Ohio reports belittled Tillman and her research associate Don Keating, a Bigfoot investigator from Newcomerstown, Ohio. The Comedy Channel program aired at 7:00 p.m. on May 21.

For information concerning what was thought to be a UFO situation at LoCI and the follow up investigations, see:  
[http://members.tripod.com/~task\\_2/LoCI.htm](http://members.tripod.com/~task_2/LoCI.htm)

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