

1 in the abdominal cavity, Mr. Vandergucht had such
2 difficulty breathing at times that he had to sit up
3 during the night to properly breathe.

4 So periodically we would drain the fluid.

5 Q And the fact that he was sitting up during
6 the night was the fluid causing discomfort and pain to
7 Mr. Vandergucht?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Was it also impacting with his breathing?

10 A Yes.

11 Q You drained fluid for the first time in May
12 of '81; is that correct?

13 A May 1st, 1981.

14 Q And in addition to draining fluid in May,
15 did you also drain fluid other times?

16 A We drained fluid June 16th, '81; July 15th,
17 '81.

18 Dr. Cho who was covering for me while I was
19 away, August 6th, 1981, drained the fluid and he,
20 again, was drained August 27th, '81; October 18th,
21 '81, and October 22nd, '81.