



### **Google Mystery Barge Controlled Remote Viewing**

In late 2013, stories began to appear in the media about a “mystery barge” in San Francisco Bay. A large construction project was taking shape on the barge, but privacy fencing and other security measures prevented more detailed inspection. Journalists were filing document requests with government agencies to obtain information, but were encountering resistance as the mystery continued.

As a training exercise, the Husick Group Viewers were tasked to view the mystery barge. At the time this project was undertaken not even Gail Husick, who acted as Project Manager, knew what the answer would be, as the public was still in the dark.

The Viewers worked “blind” to the target, only being frontloaded with the fact that it was something “man-made.” All Viewers worked independently of each other. Viewers were not informed what their target had been until after the last Viewer on the team had submitted final results in writing.

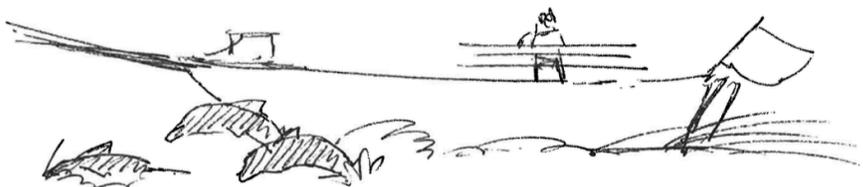
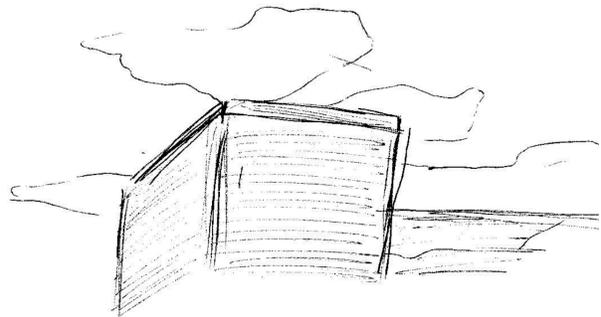
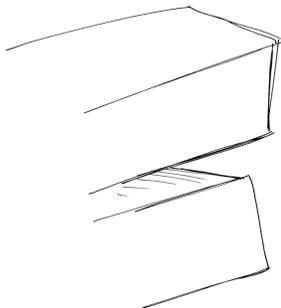
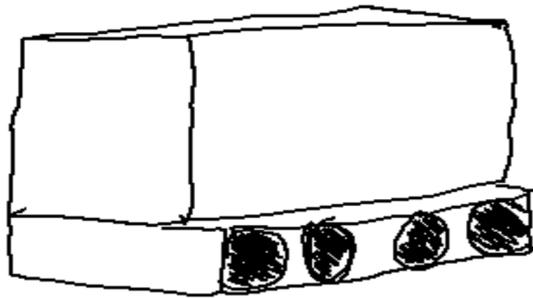
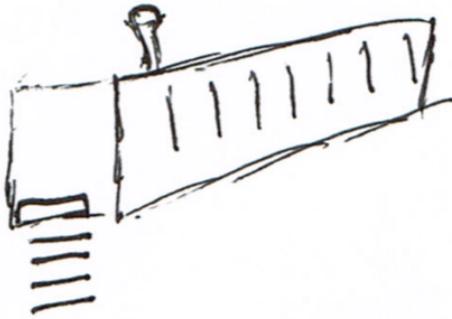
Below are highlights of information reported by the Viewers in their written sessions between November 2013 and January 2014.

#### ***Structure of the Barge***

Viewers reported that the “man-made” target was a very large object that was both structure-like and vehicle-like, and that it was constructed of elements stacked atop one another. Viewers also reported that the target object was floating or surrounded by water.

Several sketches provided by Viewers are shown below, accurately reflecting the shape, stacked construction and other visual details of the barge.

Also shown below for comparison is a feedback photo of the actual Google Mystery Barge, which was constructed of shipping containers stacked atop one another and welded together.



← direction of motion.

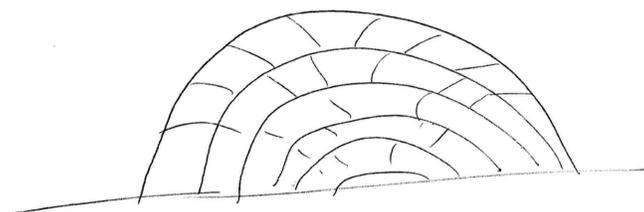
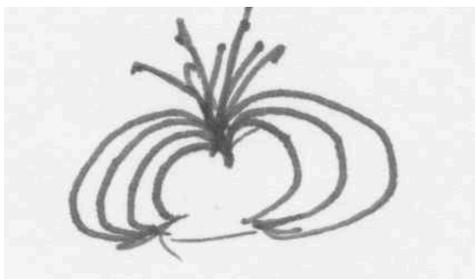
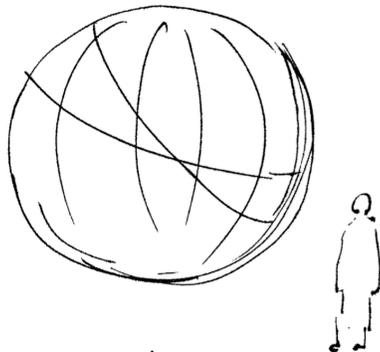
## ***Purpose of the Barge***

Although Google eventually acknowledged its ownership of the mystery barge, to date the company has not publicly explained the barge's intended purpose. Media reports based on undisclosed sources indicated that the barge was intended for a variety of Google X projects. Google X was Google co-founder Sergey Brin's secretive division of the company, responsible for projects such as Google Glass, self-driving cars, and Project Loon.

The Viewers' descriptions and sketches are highly consistent with Google's Project Loon, described by Google as an effort to provide Internet access to remote areas by placing high-altitude balloons in the stratosphere to create a wireless network.

Viewers reported that the alignment of the target object relative to something in the sky was important. They also reported that the purpose of the target object was scientific, and related to communication, transmission/receipt and the flow of data. Several Viewers described an element of the target object that was spherical, large, segmented, partially transparent and that opened or unfolded or expanded. They commented that this element resembled something like a flower, a kernel of popcorn, a satellite or a balloon inflating.

Presented below are several sketches from the Viewers' sessions. Also shown below for comparison are feedback photos showing a Project Loon prototype balloon (photos by iLighter).

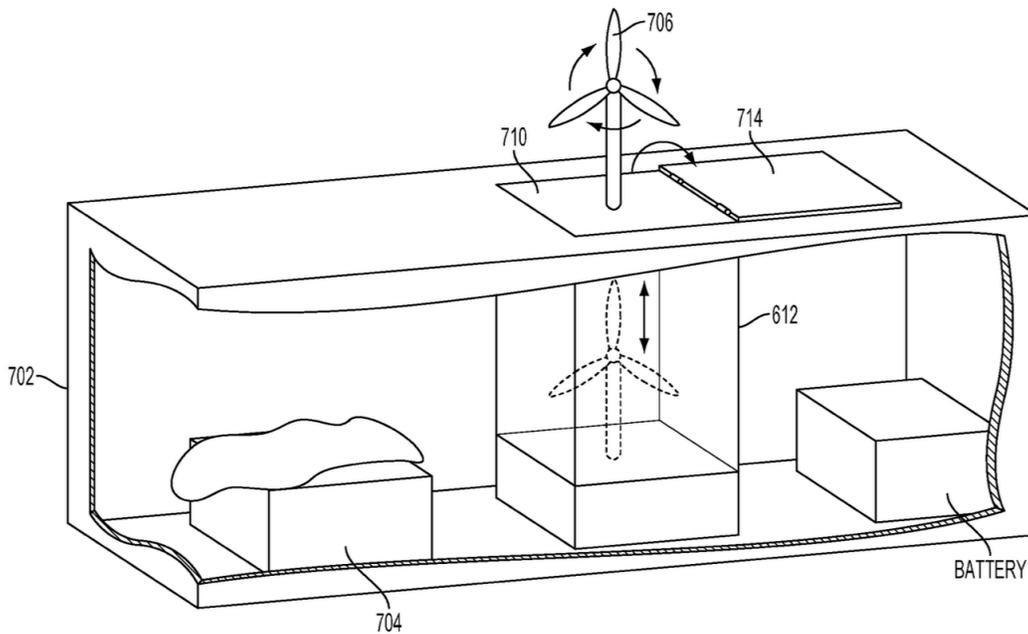


**Operation of the Barge - 1**

Viewers reported the presence of an element that was propulsion-related, circular and rotational. One Viewer provided this cut-away sketch of an interior portion of the target object. Compare the Viewer's sketch to the immediately following illustration taken from Google's International Patent Application WO 2014/025622 A1, showing a power generation system for Project Loon.



side cut out view of the inside of the manmade

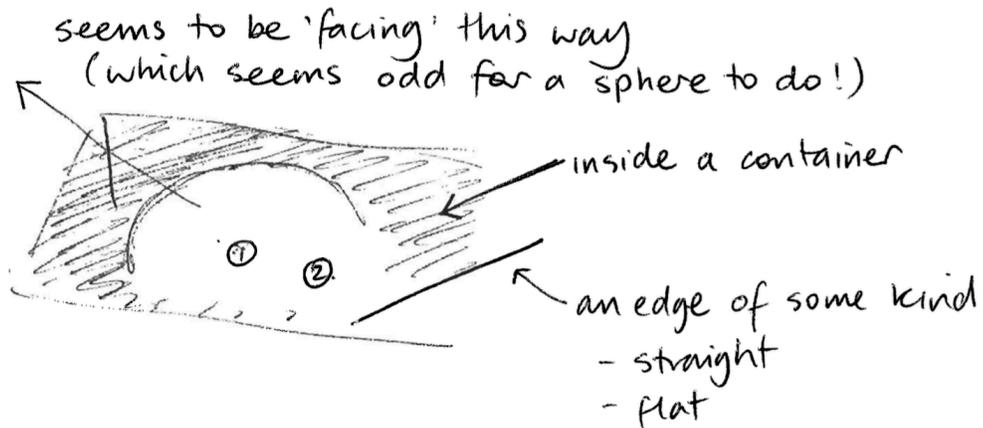
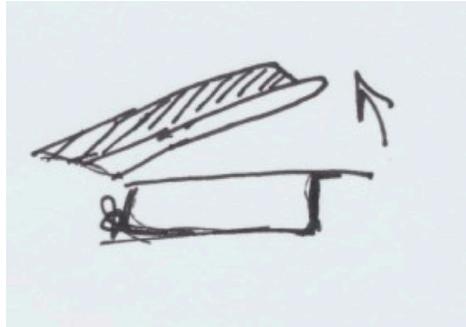


**FIG. 7**

## Operation of the Barge – 2

Several Viewers reported a lid-like element that reminded them of things like a hatch, a toy-box, a sea chest or a safe. They also reported that something peeped up or projected out or thrust through an opening, possibly unfolding or expanding.

Below are two sketches provided by Viewers showing the hinged element and the object projecting out of the opening. Compare the Viewers' sketches to the immediately following illustration taken from Google's International Patent Application WO 2014/025622 A1, showing the combined balloon shipping container and deployment system for Project Loon.



(54) Title: COMBINED BALLOON SHIPPING CONTAINER AND DEPLOYMENT SYSTEM

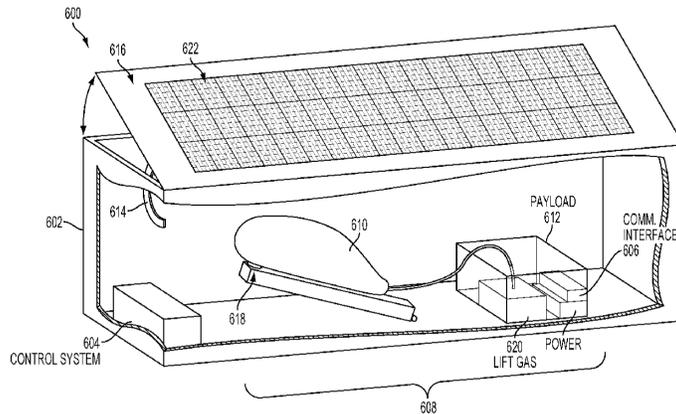


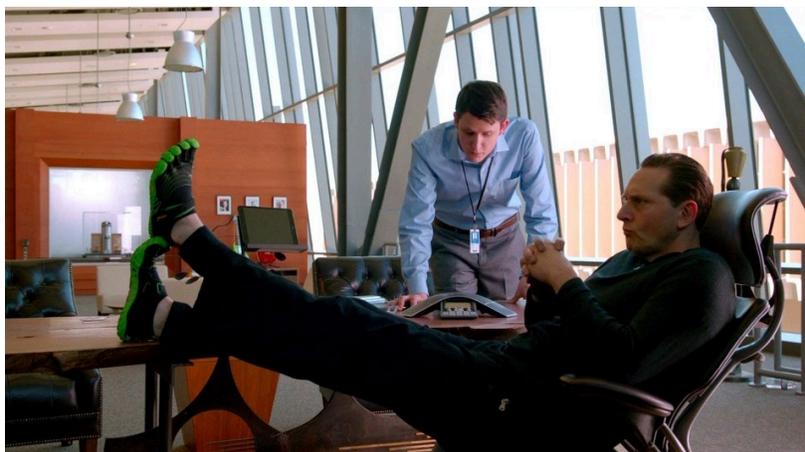
FIG. 6B

### ***Person Associated with the Barge***

Viewers reported that an important person associated with the target object was like a high priest who had “animal feet.” While this description initially seemed improbable, upon learning that the mystery barge was a Google X endeavor, it made perfect sense.

Google X was the company’s semi-secret research and development arm. As its overseer at the time, Google co-founder Sergey Brin’s role was analogous to a modern-day high priest.

As for the “animal feet,” Brin was famous for wearing Vibram “Five Fingers” sports shoes, dubbed by many as his “monkey shoes.” Brin can be seen wearing these in the first three photos below, and they do indeed give him the appearance of having animal feet. Demonstrating just how closely Brin was identified with his “monkey shoes,” in the sitcom *Silicon Valley*, the fictional Brin-like character Gavin Belson sports a flamboyant pair, as shown in the fourth photo below. The connection between Brin and these unusual shoes is also noted in this *Business Insider* article: <https://www.businessinsider.com/silicon-valley-characters-real-life-2016-6>.



## Problem with the Barge – 1

In November 2013, a Viewer reported that there was something “chequered” or “a bit dodgy” about the way that the contents of the target object were packed or arranged. The Viewer further reported the feeling that this arrangement was “not strictly allowed.”

In early 2014, Google was ordered to stop work on the barge superstructure, which was comprised of shipping containers stacked atop one another and welded together, due to a lack of necessary construction permits.

# Google's mystery barge ordered to stop construction work, leave San Francisco bay

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By Daniel Eran Dilger  
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Google has been ordered to stop construction of its floating retail barge and tow the structure 80 miles east, out of the San Francisco Bay Area to the Port of Stockton in Central California after failing to obtain the proper building permits.

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## Google barge with no permit may have to leave



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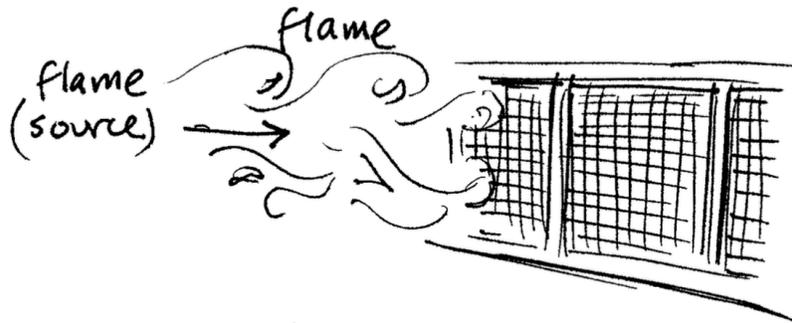
[SAN FRANCISCO] A mystery barge being built by Google on a pier at a former Navy base in the San Francisco Bay may be told to cast off. It turns out that officials running the base while it is in the process of being turned over to the city of San Francisco don't have permits for the Internet



## ***Problem with the Barge – 2***

Viewers reported that an area of concern with the target object related to dangerous combustion or explosion. One Viewer provided the sketch below, and reported that it was accompanied by a perception of an argument about a technical issue.

In November 2014, nearly a full year after the Viewers provided this information, it was revealed in the press that work on the Google Mystery Barge had been halted due, at least in part, to fire-safety concerns repeatedly raised by the Coast Guard. It was reported that the Coast Guard and private fire-safety firms had sent Google a 20-page document laying out fire-safety requirements, and that Google ultimately was unable to persuade the Coast Guard that such precautions were not necessary.



## ***Prediction about the Barge***

Viewers completed their sessions and submitted their written results no later than January 2014. Several Viewers reported that “intense activity,” “release” and “moving” involving the target object would occur in the February-March 2014 timeframe. One Viewer reported that the eastward direction would be important in roughly the same time period.

On March 6, 2014, the Google Mystery Barge traveled up the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta to the Port of Stockton, 80 miles east of its starting point at Treasure Island in San Francisco Bay.



## **RAW VIDEO: Google Barge Leaves Treasure Island for Stockton**

Google's mystery barge leaves Treasure Island for the Port of Stockton. March 6, 2014 (Published Thursday, Mar 6, 2014)