BEGIN TRANSCRIPT. RADIOLAND 84.

Typical citizens band (cb) noises -- squelch, static, clicks and pops, etc.

SHAW

10-18. Anyone got ears on?

KAREN

Is that you, Shaw? What's your 20?

SHAW

Karen! Long time, no hear. I'm
somewhere east of Amarillo. You?

KAREN

I don't know. Took a scenic yesterday, been lost ever since. Someone walled off route 27 outside Plainview.

SHAW

10-1, 10-1, receiving poorly. Say again...

A loud squelch burst interrupts the conversation.

More CB Noises.

SHAW (CONT'D)

10-13.

KAREN

10-21. No Meat Puppets in sight. We're clear.

SHAW

"Meat Puppets"? Is that what we're calling them now?

KAREN

You got a better name for those... things?

SHAW

No. Reckon I don't. (beat)

Karen...?

KAREN

Yeah, Shaw?

SHAW

You hear from the others yet?

KAREN

I... No. Yes.

(beat)

I ran into Gasket about three weeks ago. He...

SHAW

He changed, didn't he?

KAREN

Yeah.

SHAW

Did you have ...?

KAREN

Yeah.

SHAW

Damn.

(beat)

You did what you had to do.

KAREN

Do you think this is ever going to end?

SHAW

It's been three months. The sickness will run its course soon. Trust me.

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