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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 08, 2017 2:16 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: 7/27/2017 - Port Alsworth Weather Statement

Hi Paul,

Just got this statement in this evening. Thanks.

Mike

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 7, 2017 20:24
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: 7/27/2017 - Port Alsworth Weather Statement

Hi Mike

The 27th of July I was planning to go to Anchorage to pickup my son and family.

Our home is located about 5 miles up the lake from Hammond's in the Cove near portage Creek.

That morning was very foggy we had maybe 1/2 mile visibility until probably around eight or 8:30 when it started to breakup.

By 9:30 the sun was breaking through over the lake.

At 10 AM I took off in the sunshine to head to Anchorage.

I climbed up to 4500 feet to get over the fog and scattered clouds. There was still quite a lot of fog around, which extended through the main pass to the forks. It looked like there might have been a 300 foot ceiling under the fog in the pass.

It was a nice flight to town there was still extensive fog over cook inlet and up into trading Bay. The fog was to the ground on the upper Inlet and mouth of the Big Susitna river, but was open to the north.

Anchorage was still 1200 broken when I got to town, which was about 11:30.

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Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 7, 2017, at 12:23 PM, Hodges Michael <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi David,

Thanks again for your time today.

As discussed on the phone, if you could please send me a written statement (an email response would work just fine), about what you saw that day with weather (ceiling, visibility, winds, etc.), including the any time frames.

If you could please be as detailed as possible, that would be very helpful.

Below is my full contact information. Thank you sir.

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