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Subject: RE: ANC17LA040 - Rada Altimeter Questions
Date: Monday, October 30, 2017 11:48:01

Hello Mike,

Yes! The Radar Altimeter is actually installed in the left front seat baggage compartment. The Tone Generator is mounted in the lower console.

Thom

From: Hodges Michael [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 5:46 PM
To: Thom Webster <[REDACTED]>
Subject: RE: ANC17LA040 - Rada Altimeter Questions

Hi Thom,

I'm not too educated on all of the various radar altimeter models available for the R-44 series, in addition to the R-44 radar altimeter installation kit that you guys offer.

Attached is a photo of the accident helicopter's cockpit.

Based off of the photo, is there room for a radar altimeter along with the radar altimeter installation kit to be installed in that cockpit?

Thanks again.

Mike

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From: Thom Webster [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 12:15
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Yikes! That pic is pretty eerie!

The Radar Altimeter kits were first available to customers in February of 2016.

Thom

From: Hodges Michael [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2017 3:38 PM
To: Thom Webster <[REDACTED]>
Subject: ANC17LA040 - Rada Altimeter Questions

Hi Thom,

Regarding ANC17LA040, the preliminary report is now out:

<https://app.nts.gov/pdfgenerator/ReportGeneratorFile.ashx?EventID=20170807X63537&AKey=1&RType=Prelim&IType=LA>

Attached are two photos from the operator.

I see on your website, you guys have the radar altimeter installation kit instructions available for download:

<https://robinsonheli.com/robinson-r44-kit-instructions-3/>

I know helicopters like the R-22 have a smaller cockpit area to work with, but with the R-44 product line I am assuming there is adequate cockpit space available to install a radar altimeter (such as with using the radar altimeter installation kit)?

When were these radar altimeter installation kits first available for customers to purchase?

Thanks again.

Mike

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