

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Deadhorse State: Alaska

ZIP: 99670 Country: USA

Latitude: 72.300925 Longitude: -148.794807

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 03/20/2018 Local Time: 1942

mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: AK DST

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N716JP

Manufacturer: deHavilland

Model: DHC-6 - 300 Twin Otter

Serial Number: 527

Year of Manufacture: 1977

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Kit/Plans ☐ Original Design Make: _____

- ☒ IFR-Equipped and Certified
☐ Commercial Space Flight
☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: 12500 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 11797 lbs

Number of Seats: 17 Flight Crew Seats: 2

Cabin Crew Seats: 0 Passenger Seats: 15

Number of Engines: 2

Category of Aircraft

- ☒ Airplane
☐ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift
☐ Rocket
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate (Check all that apply)

Standard

- ☒ Normal
☐ Aerobatic
☐ Balloon
☐ Commuter
☐ Transport
☐ Utility

Special

- ☐ Restricted
☐ Limited
☐ Provisional
☐ Special Flight
☐ Experimental
☐ Special Light-Sport
☐ Experimental Light-Sport

- ☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ None ☐ Unknown

Landing Gear

(Check all that apply)

☐ Retractable

- ☒ Tricycle ☐ Tailwheel
☐ Amphibian ☐ High Skid
☐ Emergency Float ☐ Skid
☐ Float ☐ Ski
☐ Hull ☐ Ski/Wheel
☐ Other Launch/Recovery System
☐ None ☐ Unknown

Engine Type (Select one)

- ☐ Reciprocating ☐ Liquid Rocket
☐ Turbo Shaft ☐ Solid Rocket
☒ Turbo Prop ☐ Hybrid Rocket
☐ Turbo Jet ☐ None
☐ Turbo Fan ☐ Unknown
☐ Electric

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

- ☐ Carburetor ☐ Fuel-Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Serial	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm/dd/yyyy	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Inspection (hours)	Time Since: Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	Pratt & Whitney	PT6A-27	PCE 50155	ukn	680	17,947.3	5	1585.8
Eng. 2	Pratt & Whitney	PT6A-27	PCE 52151	ukn	680	10,451.0	5	3479.7
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour ☒ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ AAIP ☐ Conditional Inspection
☐ Annual ☐ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 03/19/2018
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 29299.8 hrs

hours measured at (Select one)

- ☒ Last Inspection ☐ Time of Accident/Incident

Type of Maintenance Program (Select one)

- ☐ Annual
☐ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
☐ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
☐ Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP)
☒ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ Other, specify: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☐ None
☐ Specify: _____

Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☒ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: Hartzell

Model: HC-B3TN-3D

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☒ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: Hartzell

Model: HC-B3TN-3D

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: Artex

Model or Part No.: ME 406

TSO No.: ☒ C91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ C91a (121.5 MHz)
☒ C126 (406 MHz)

Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Did ELT Activate? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If activated:

Did ELT Aid in Locating Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If not activated:

- Indicate Reason: ☐ Impact Damage
☐ Fire Damage
☐ Battery Expired/Damaged
☒ Unknown

Additional Equipment (Check all that apply)

- ☐ ADS-B
☐ Airframe Parachute
☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
☒ Autopilot
☐ Data Recorder
☐ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
☐ Handheld GPS
☐ Heads Up Display
☐ Onboard Weather
☒ Satellite Tracking Device
☒ Stall Warning System
☐ Video Recording Device
☐ Other, Specify: _____

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION			
Registered Aircraft Owner Name: <u>Bald Mountain Air Service</u> Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No		City: <u>Homer</u> State: <u>Alaska</u> ZIP: <u>99603</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Operator of Aircraft ☒ Same As Registered Owner Name: _____ Doing Business As: _____ Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____		☒ Same Address as Registered Owner City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Country: _____	
Operating Certificates Held <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ None ☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121) ☐ Supplemental ☐ Air Cargo ☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129) ☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133) ☐ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135) ☒ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135) ☐ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136) ☐ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137) ☐ Pilot School (FAR 141) ☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA) ☐ Commercial Space Transportation Experimental Permit ☐ Commercial Space Transportation License ☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft	Regulation Flight Conducted Under ☐ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 415 ☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ FAR 431 ☐ FAR 121 ☒ FAR 135 ☐ FAR 435 ☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ FAR 437 ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight ☐ Non-US, Commercial ☐ Non-US, Non-commercial ☐ Public Aircraft <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Armed Forces ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Local ☐ Unknown	Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 <i>(Select one for each group)</i> ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☒ Domestic ☒ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International ☒ Passenger ☐ Cargo ☐ Mail Contract Only	
Revenue Sightseeing Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No		Air Medical Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No	
AIRPORT INFORMATION <i>(Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)</i>			
Airport Name: <u>ICEX Runway</u> Airport Identifier: <u>N/A</u> Proximity to Airport: ☒ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/A		Distance From Airport Center: <u>163</u> sm Direction From Airport: <u>N</u> degrees true Airport Elevation: <u>sea level</u> ft. msl	
Runway Information Runway ID: <u>n/a</u> (L/R/C) Length: <u>2500</u> ft Width: <u>70-75</u> ft Runway/Landing Surface <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water ☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Dirt ☒ Ice ☐ Snow ☐ Unknown		Condition of Runway/Landing Surface <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm ☐ Holes ☒ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy ☒ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy ☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet ☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft ☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Vegetation ☐ Unknown	
Approach/Departure Segment <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Taxi ☐ VFR Departure ☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach ☒ Takeoff ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☐ Landing ☐ Base ☐ Go Around ☐ Initial Climb ☐ Crosswind ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown) ☐ Unknown			
IFR Approach <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ None ☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice ☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS ☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual ☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact ☐ RNAV ☐ Circling ☐ Unknown		VFR Approach <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ None ☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Stop and Go ☐ Straight-In ☐ Touch and Go ☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Simulated Forced Landing ☐ Go Around ☐ Forced Landing ☐ Full Stop ☐ Precautionary Landing ☐ Unknown	

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ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)									
Crew Name and Address First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____				Seat Occupied ☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Center ☐ Rear ☐ Right ☐ Single ☐ Unknown		Injury ☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown			
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Flight Engineer				Restraint Type: Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown			
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No				Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs					
Crew Name and Address First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____				Seat Occupied ☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Center ☐ Rear ☐ Right ☐ Single ☐ Unknown		Injury ☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown			
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Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No				Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs					
PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet if necessary)									
Name and Address First Name: <u>Mathew</u> City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: <u>Parno</u> Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☒ Passenger ☐ Other		Seat ☒ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	Injury ☒ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Restraint Type Available ☐ None ☒ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☒ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		Inflatable Restraints ☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown		Age ☐ Under 5 years If Under 5, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown	
First Name: <u>Julie</u> City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: <u>Parno</u> Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☒ Passenger ☐ Other		☒ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☒ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☒ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		Used ☐ None ☒ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If Under 5, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
First Name: <u>Chris</u> City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: <u>Polashenski</u> Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☒ Passenger ☐ Other		☒ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☒ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☒ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		Used ☐ None ☒ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If Under 5, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other		☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If Under 5, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION						
Last Departure Point Airport ID: <u>PASC</u> City: <u>Deadhorse</u> State: <u>Alaska</u> Country: <u>USA</u>		Time of Departure Time: <u>1805</u> Time Zone: <u>Alaska</u>		Destination Airport ID: <u>ICEX Runway</u> City: <u>140 miles north PASC</u> State: <u>Alaska</u> Country: <u>USA</u>		Type Flight Plan Filed ☐ None ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown ☒ VFR Activated? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown
Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise ☒ VFR ☐ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Unknown / NA						
Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply) ☐ Class A ☐ Class G ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Special ☐ Class B ☐ Demo Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Air Traffic Control Area ☐ Class C ☐ Warning Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Unknown ☐ Class D ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ TRSA ☐ Class E ☐ Restricted Area ☐ FAR 93					Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: <u>~0-5</u> ft msl	
WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE						
Source of Pilot Weather Information (Check all that apply) ☐ National Weather Service ☐ Company ☐ Flight Service Station ☒ Military ☐ TV/Radio ☐ Internet ☐ Automated Report ☐ None ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☐ Unknown ☐ On-Board Weather			Weather Observation Facility Facility ID: <u>PASC</u> Observation Time: <u>1953</u> Time Zone: <u>AKD</u> Distance from Accident Site: <u>140</u> nm Direction from Accident Site: <u>S</u> degrees true			
Basic Conditions ☒ VMC ☐ IMC ☐ Unknown		Light Condition ☐ Dawn ☒ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown ☐ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night				
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition ☐ Clear ☐ Thin Broken ☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast ☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Unknown ☒ Scattered Lowest Cloud Condition Height <u>2900</u> ft agl		Ceiling ☐ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured ☐ Broken ☐ Indefinite ☒ Overcast ☐ Unknown Ceiling Height <u>4600</u> ft agl		Temperature: <u>-20</u> (C) or _____ (F) Dew Point: <u>-23</u> (C) or _____ (F) Altimeter Setting: <u>30.47</u> in. Hg or _____ MB		
Wind Direction ☐ Variable -or- Direction: <u>270</u> degrees true	Wind Speed ☐ Calm ☐ Light and Variable -or- Speed: <u>12</u> kts	Wind Gusts ☒ Not Gusting -or- Speed: _____ kts	Visibility <u>9</u> miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles Density Altitude: _____ ft			
Intensity of Precipitation ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Heavy ☒ N/A ☐ Unknown		Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain ☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower ☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower ☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle ☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals		Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Fog ☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog ☐ Blowing Sand ☒ Haze ☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog ☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke ☐ Dust ☐ Unknown		
Icing Forecast Amount ☐ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☒ Unknown Type ☐ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown		Icing Actual Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☐ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown		Turbulence Type (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Clear Air ☐ Terrain-Induced ☐ Convective Turbulence Severity ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Extreme		
NOTAMS (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident: 						

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**

- ☐ None ☒ Substantial
☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed
 ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Fire

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Explosion

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Explosion at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property *(Use additional sheet if necessary)*

Left wingtip, left aileron, approximately 4' of left wing

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT *(Please type or print in ink)*

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

N716JP was on a FAR Part 135 flight mission in support of the US Navy Ice Exercise (ICEX) 2018. At 1805 on 20 March 2018, N716JP (aka "the aircraft") departed the Deadhorse airport (PASC) empty of pax/cargo, carrying 2100 lbs of fuel. At 1901, the aircraft landed at the Ice Camp (Camp) approximately 142 miles north of PASC (Lat 72.30195/Lon -148.796085). According to the flight log, the aircraft was loaded with 1685 lbs of freight and three passengers before departing at 1940. Intended destination was PASC.

As stated by the Pilot in Command (PIC), the aircraft had a normal taxi to the south end of the north/south (long) runway where the crew set up for a short field takeoff. After the aircraft broke ground, the PIC kept the aircraft in ground effect until attaining Vx (87 kts) and then initiated a climb to hold Vx. The PIC then made a left-hand turn. At this point, the crew felt and heard a "thud" on the left side of the plane. They entered a left-hand pattern and returned to the runway, landing without incident. (See Figure 3 for visual reconstruction based on automated flight following software data points.) Upon shut down, the crew noticed the injured individual behind a snow/ice berm. The individual suffered head and neck injuries and was subsequently medevac'd from the scene to Providence Hospital in Anchorage.

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

Causal Factor / Root Cause Summary

Given the length of the runway and the prevailing conditions, a short field departure was not necessary. Had the crew executed a straight out normal departure using the performance charts, the accident could have been prevented. Based on the configuration, weight of the aircraft and surface conditions, the aircraft should have reached best angle (Vx) climb speed and an altitude of 50' at approximately 1200' down the runway. (Estimated 12 kts tail wind at PASC 142 miles away; prevailing winds had been a quartering head wind.) By maintaining ground effect that far down the runway, the aircraft was not at the altitude it should have been. Since the aircraft reached Vx before the climb was initiated, it had not attained the altitude necessary to clear the surrounding obstacles. Under normal circumstances, by the time the aircraft made the left turn (approximately 1200' down the runway) it should have met the minimum altitude of 50' and avoided any known obstacles. Root Cause: Despite the short field takeoff, maintaining ground effect, and reaching Vx, had the aircraft not made the left turn where it did, the collision with the ground/pedestrian could have been avoided.

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

Total Time/Cycles
On Part

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

Time Since This Part
Inspected/Overhauled

_____ Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION

Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff

(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

223 Gallons

Fuel Type

☐ 80/87☐ 100 Low Lead☐ 100/130☐ 115/145☒ Jet A☐ Jet A-1☐ Jet B☐ JP8☐ Automotive☐ Other, specify _____

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFTWas an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

Passengers and crew exited normally upon landing.

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for *other* aircraft)

Aircraft Registration Number

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft

☐ Destroyed☐ Minor☐ Substantial☐ None

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Please type or print in ink)

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE**Date of this Report**

04/17/2018

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: Bald Mountain Air Service - Gary Porter - Vice President**Signature:** [REDACTED]-- or -- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document**If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report****Name:** _____**Title:** _____**Signature:** _____-- or -- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document**FOR NTSB USE ONLY****NTSB Accident/Incident No.**
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