



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: 12/27/2012
Person Contacted: Dennis Beattie (FAA)
NTSB Accident Number: CEN13LA115

Narrative: Mr. Beattie confirmed that he was the FAA inspector assigned to the accident involving N27AT, a Robinson R22 that crashed in Corcoran, MN. He said that he looked at the helicopter and it had extensive impact and fire damage. He said that he could not see anything wrong with the helicopter that was pre-impact and he did not see anything that would have led him to believe that there was a mechanical malfunction. However, he added that there was so much damage that he could not say for sure. He said that the concrete pad that the pilot landed on had tarps on it and looking at where the helicopter landed there was a tarp with tears that would have been at the position where the tail rotor was. He said that the tears in the tarp were consistent with the tarp being struck by the blades of the tail rotor.

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