

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

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

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Spring State: Texas
 ZIP: 77379 Country: USA
 Latitude: _____ (dd:mm:ss N/S) Longitude: _____ (ddd:mm:ss E/W)

Date/Time

Date: 07/30/2014 Local Time: 1030
 mm/dd/yyyy Time Zone: Central

Phase of Operation

☒ Standing ☐ Takeoff (incl. initial climb) ☐ Cruise ☐ Hover
☐ Taxi ☐ Climb ☐ Maneuvering ☐ Other
☐ Descent ☐ Landing ☐ Approach ☐ Unknown

Collision with Other Aircraft

☐ Midair
☐ On-ground
☒ None

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence

_____ ft MSL

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: Bell
 Model: 206-B
 Serial Number: 3291
 Registration Number: N866H Amateur-built: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Max Gross Weight: 3,350 lbs
 Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 2,800 lbs
 Location of Center of Gravity at Time of Accident/Incident:
 _____ inches from ☐ nose or ☐ datum
 -or- _____ Percent Mean Aerodynamic Cord (% MAC)

Category of Aircraft

☐ Airplane
☐ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyrocraft
☒ Helicopter
☐ Powered lift
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate (Check all that apply)

Standard **Special**
☒ Normal ☐ Restricted
☐ Utility ☐ Limited
☐ Acrobatic ☐ Provisional
☐ Transport ☐ Experimental
☐ Special Flight
☐ Light Sport

Number of Seats: 4

If Large Aircraft, how many seats for:

Flight Crew: _____

Cabin Crew: _____

Passengers: _____

Landing Gear ☐ Retractable

Check any additional landing gear configuration that applies:

☐ Tricycle ☐ Tailwheel
☐ Amphibian ☒ High Skid
☐ Emergency Float ☐ Skid
☐ Float ☐ Ski
☐ Hull ☐ Ski/Wheel
☐ Unknown

Type of Maintenance Program

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

Last Inspection Type

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

Date Last Inspection: 12/16/2013
 mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 7,247 hrs
 hours measured at (check one)
☒ Last Inspection ☐ Time of Accident/Incident

IFR Equipped

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Stall Warning System Installed

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Type of Fire Extinguishing System

☒ None
☐ Specify _____

ELT Installed

☐ Yes ☒ No

ELT Activated

☐ Yes ☐ No

ELT Manufacturer: _____

Model/Series: _____

Serial Number: _____

Battery Type: _____ Battery Exp. Date: _____

Engine Type

☐ Reciprocating ☒ Turbo Jet
☐ Turbo Shaft ☐ Turbo Fan
☐ Turbo Prop ☐ Unknown

Reciprocating Fuel System Type

☐ Carburetor
☒ Fuel Injected

Propeller

☐ Fixed Pitch
☒ Controllable Pitch

Manufacturer: Bell

Model: 206-B

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm/dd/yyyy	Engine Rated Power Measured as (check one) ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since Inspection (hours)	Time Since Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	Rolls Royce	C20B			420	7,306	0	
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**Name: Helicopter Services Inc.Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No**Owner Address**City: SpringState: Texas ZIP: 77379Country: USA**Operator of Aircraft**☐ Same As Registered OwnerName: Harris County Sheriff's OfficeDoing Business As: Harris County Sheriff's Office

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____

Operator Address☐ Same As Registered OwnerCity: SpringState: Texas ZIP: 77379Country: USA**Regulation Flight Conducted Under**

- | | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---|
| ☐ FAR 91 | ☐ FAR 129 | ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight | ☒ Public Use (select type) |
| ☐ FAR 103 | ☐ FAR 133 | ☐ Non-US, Commercial | ☐ Federal ☐ State ☒ Local |
| ☐ FAR 121 | ☐ FAR 135 | ☐ Non-US, Non-commercial | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ FAR 125 | ☐ FAR 137 | ☐ Armed Forces | |

Revenue Sightseeing Flight☐ Yes ☒ No**Air Medical Flight**☐ Yes ☒ No**Purpose of Flight**

for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 (Select one)

- ☐ Personal
☐ Business
☐ Executive/Corporate
☐ Other Work Use
☐ Instructional
☐ Ferry
☐ Positioning
☐ Aerial Application
☐ Aerial Observation
☐ Air Drop
☐ Air Race / Show
☐ Flight Test
☒ Public Use
☐ Unknown

Revenue Operation

for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 (Select one)

- ☐ Scheduled or Commuter
☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi

Domestic or International☒ Domestic ☐ International**Cargo Operation**

- ☐ Passenger/Cargo
☒ Passenger _____ 1 How many?
☐ Cargo _____ lbs
☐ Mail

Type of Commercial Operating Certificate Held

(Check all that apply)

- ☒ None
☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (121)
☐ Supplemental
☐ Air Cargo
☐ Foreign Air Carriers (129)
☐ Commuter Air Carrier (135)
☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (135)
☐ Large Helicopter (127)
☐ Rotorcraft External Load (133)
- or -
☐ Agricultural Aircraft (137)
☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft

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

First Name: _____

City: _____

Middle Initial: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Last Name: _____

Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

First Name: _____

City: _____

Middle Initial: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Last Name: _____

Country: _____

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

(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

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

- ☐ None ☒ Substantial
☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed

Aircraft Fire

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Unknown Origin
☐ On-Ground

Aircraft Explosion

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Unknown Origin
☐ On-Ground

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

A/C was started with Blade tie-down attached. Start was aborted at 15% N1, 25% N2, rotor RPM less than 20%. Np and TOT did not exceed startup limits. There was no damage to the engine or mechanical parts of the helicopter, but due to the inertia of the blades, they continued spinning with the blade tie-down strap still attached. As the rotor blades continued to spin, depleting their energy, the tie down strap struck the vertical stabilizer and tail boom, causing damage to both. One M/R blade end cap was damaged but repairable. Both T/R blades had marks from the tie-down strap and were replaced as a precautionary measure.

AIRPORT INFORMATION (If the accident/incident occurred on approach, takeoff or within 3 miles of an airport, complete this section)Airport Identifier: KDWHDistance From Airport Center: 0 SMAirport Name: David Wayne Hooks

Direction From Airport: _____ degrees MAG

Proximity to Airport ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☒ On Airport ☐ On AirstripAirport Elevation: 120 ft. MSL**Approach Segment** (Select one)

☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Landing ☐ Base leg ☐ Final ☐ Go Around
☐ Crosswind ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)

IFR Approach (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ ADF/NDB ☐ Sideslip ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ SDF ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ Loran
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual ☐ Unknown
☐ VOR/DME ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ TACAN ☐ RNAV ☐ Circling

VFR Approach (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Stop and Go
☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Touch and Go
☐ Straight-In ☐ Simulated Forced Landing
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Forced Landing
☐ Go Around ☐ Precautionary Landing
☐ Full Stop ☐ Unknown

Runway Information

Runway ID: _____ (L/R/C) Length: _____ ft Width: _____ ft

Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

☐ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Unknown
☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow

Condition of Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

☐ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm
☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy
☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy
☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet
☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft ☐ Unknown
☐ Slush Covered ☐ Vegetation

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION**Last Departure Point**

Airport ID: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Country: _____

Time of Departure

Time: _____

Time Zone: _____

Destination

Airport ID: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Country: _____

Type Flight Plan Filed

☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR
☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR
☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown
☐ VFR

Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No**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 E ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☐ Class G ☐ Restricted Area ☐ TRSA ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Demo Area ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ FAR 93 ☐ Unknown
☒ Class D ☐ Warning Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area

Aircraft Load Description (Check all that apply)

☒ None ☐ Towing Glider ☐ Parachutists ☐ Livestock
☐ Passengers ☐ Towing Banner ☐ Water ☐ Unknown
☐ Cargo ☐ Other External ☐ Chemical/Fertilizer/Seeds

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION**Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff**
(convert from pounds, as necessary)50 Gallons**Fuel Type**

☐ 80/87 ☐ 115/145 ☐ JP3 ☐ Other, specify _____
☐ 100 Low Lead ☒ Jet A ☐ JP4
☐ 100/130 ☐ Automotive ☐ JP5

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFT			
Was an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location 			
WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE			
Weather Observation Facility Facility ID: <u>KDWH</u> Observation Time: <u>0400 Z</u> Time Zone: <u>Central</u> Distance from Accident Site: _____ 0 NM Direction from Accident Site: _____ 0 degrees MAG		Source of Weather Information <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ National Weather Service ☒ Flight Service Station ☐ TV/Radio ☐ Automated Report ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☐ Company ☐ Military ☐ Internet ☐ Unknown	
Briefing Type/Completeness ☐ Full ☐ Partial / Limited By Pilot ☐ Partial / Limited By Briefer ☐ Abbreviated ☐ Unknown ☒ Not Pertinent		Light Condition ☐ Dawn ☒ Day ☐ Dusk ☐ Night ☐ Dark Night ☐ Bright Night ☐ Not Reported	
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition ☐ Clear ☒ Few ☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Scattered ☐ Thin Broken ☐ Thin Overcast ☐ Unknown		Ceiling ☐ None (clear) ☒ Broken ☐ Overcast ☐ Obscured ☐ Indefinite ☐ Unknown	
Lowest Cloud Condition Height _____ 6,500 ft AGL		Ceiling Height _____ 6,500 ft AGL	
Wind Direction ☒ Indicated: _____ 170 degrees MAG ☐ Variable		Wind Speed Velocity: _____ KTS -or- ☐ Calm ☒ Light and Variable	
Wind Gusts Velocity: _____ KTS ☐ Gusting ☒ Not Gusting		Type of Turbulence <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ None ☐ Clear Air ☐ In Clouds ☐ Vicinity of Thunderstorm Severity of Turbulence ☐ Extreme ☐ Severe ☐ Moderate ☐ Moderate Chop ☐ Light	
NOTAMs (D, L and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident None in effect			
Temperature: _____ (C) or _____ 86 (F) Altimeter Setting: _____ 30.02 in. HG or _____ MB Density Altitude: _____ ft Dew Point: _____ (C) or _____ (F)		Icing Forecast Amount ☒ None ☐ Moderate ☐ Trace ☐ Severe ☐ Light Type ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed Icing Actual Amount ☒ None ☐ Moderate ☐ Trace ☐ Severe ☐ Light Type ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed	
Type of Precipitation <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ None ☐ Rain ☐ Snow ☐ Hail ☐ Rain Showers ☐ Freezing Rain ☐ Snow Shower ☐ Drizzle ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Ice Crystals ☐ Ice Pellets Shower ☐ Freezing Drizzle		Intensity of Precipitation ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Heavy	

PILOT "A" INFORMATION

Pilot "A" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

☒ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

Pilot "A" Identification

First Name: David
 Middle Initial: J
 Last Name: Bateson

City: Missouri City
 State: Texas ZIP: 77459
 Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 57 Date of Birth: mm/dd/yyyy Certificate Number: mm/dd/yyyy 

Degree of Injury

☒ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☒ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Seat Belt

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Available ☒ Yes ☐ No

Shoulder Harness

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Available ☒ Yes ☐ No

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☒ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☐ Private ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☒ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐ None ☐ Class 3
☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☒ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☐ Without limitations/waivers
☒ With limitations/waivers
☐ Unknown

Date of Last Medical

12/03/2013
mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

Must wear corrective lenses

Medical Certificate Waivers

None

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

05/23/2013
mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Schweizer
 Model: 300C

Airplane Rating(s)

(Check all that apply)
☒ None
☐ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)

(Check all that apply)
☐ None
☐ Airship
☐ Free Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☒ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)

(Check all that apply)
☒ None
☐ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)

(Check all that apply)
☒ None ☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered Lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings

Rotorcraft-Helicopter

Student Endorsements (Include dates)

Flight Time (enter appropriate number of hours in each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	4,600	93			2,400			4,600		
Pilot in Command (PIC)	4,400	87			2,350			4,400		
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days	70	70								
Last 30 Days	20	20								
Last 24 Hours	0	0								

PILOT "B" INFORMATION																																																																																																				
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ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin attendants, complete the following information)																
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Name and Address						Seat	Crew	Non-Revenue	Revenue	Non-Occupant	FAA	Fatal	Serious Injury	Minor Injury	No Injury	Unknown
First Name: <u>David</u> City: <u>Spring</u> Middle Initial: _____ State: <u>Texas</u> ZIP: <u>77373</u> Last Name: <u>Hennessy</u> Country: <u>USA</u>						LF	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐
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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 time and point of departure, intended destination, and services obtained.

On Wednesday, July 30, 2014, at approx. 10:30 hours, I was preparing to air taxi the A/C to Gill Aviation at David Wayne Hooks airport to obtain fuel before departing on a patrol flight with Tactical Flight Officer, Deputy David Hennessy. I had already completed my pre-flight with the A/C still inside the hangar, after which time Deputy Hennessy moved the aircraft outside in preparation for start-up. When I arrived at the aircraft, I was distracted by a telephone call, failed to follow normal sequence, and failed to complete an exterior check of the aircraft, which would have revealed that the main rotor tie-down was still attached. I then started the helicopter engine and was monitoring the gauges on start up when I noticed Reserve Captain Mike Lovell approaching the helicopter waving his hands. At the same time, I heard a thump and noticed the main rotor blades stopped turning. Sensing something was wrong, I rolled the throttle to the cut-off position and initiated an emergency shutdown of the engine.

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)**Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation**

Post incident, the Harris County Sheriff's Office Air Support Unit has instituted a change in preflight/startup procedures, whereby the main rotor blades will be placed in a perpendicular position before light off and a ground guide will be present until flight commences.

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**

09/12/2014

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Signature and Name of Pilot/Operator

Signature: _____

Type or Print Name: David J. Bateson**Signature and Name of Person Filing Report if Other than Pilot/Operator**

Signature: _____

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