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Subject: N5002E Accident

Good morning Mr. Scott,

My name is Shane Benedetto. I will be the FAA IIC for the N5002E accident.

I was at the scene all day yesterday. As you can see, the flight control rod bearing (photo 1&2) had been cracked for some time and finally let go. You can see the corrosion. This allowed the main rotor blades to go to full pitch. It was too much for the rotor mast and it started folding (photo 3), allowing the pusher propeller to strike and sever the tail (photos 4,5&6).

Let me know if I can help with anything else.

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