

Memorandum of Conversation

Date: October 18, 2015

Time: 1330 central daylight time

Conversation Including: Larry Alder,
Property Owner & Pilot's Brother

Conversation Regarding: CEN16FA014, N999ZF

Duration of Interview: 15 Minutes



Summary & Factual Information from Conversation:

Mr. Larry Alder, is the brother of the pilot (Jerry Alder) who was killed in an airplane accident on the morning of October 17, 2015. The airplane crashed on Mr. Larry Alder's property located in Cortland, Nebraska. Mr. Alder stated that he witnessed his brother's airplane complete several low-altitude passes over his property immediately before the accident. He stated that following the final low-pass the airplane pitched-up and entered a climbing right turn. Mr. Alder stated that during the climbing turn the airplane suddenly pitched nose down and descended rapidly. He believed that the airplane might have caught a wind gust during the pitch-up maneuver. The airplane recovered briefly to a wings level attitude before it quickly rolled wings left-and-right and entered a descending right turn into the terrain. Mr. Alder lost sight of the airplane during the final descent, but he recalled hearing the airplane impact the ground.

--- End of interview summary ---

I can attest that the above summary and factual information was taken on the above stated day, and is correct to the best of my knowledge:

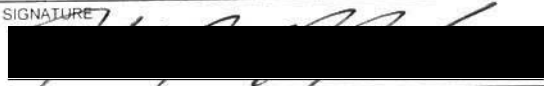
Signed: _ Andrew Todd Fox _

Dated: _ 10/18/2015 _

Andrew Todd Fox

National Transportation Safety Board

Air Safety Investigator

RECORD OF ☒ VISIT ☐ CONFERENCE OR ☐ TELEPHONE CALL		TIME 1:30 PM	DATE 10/18/2015										
NAME (S) OF PERSON (S) CONTACTED OR IN CONFERENCE AND LOCATION Interview of eyewitness Larry Allder		ROUTING <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width: 50%; padding: 2px;">SYMBOL</th> <th style="width: 50%; padding: 2px;">INITIALS</th> </tr> <tr><td style="height: 20px;"></td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="height: 20px;"></td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="height: 20px;"></td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="height: 20px;"></td><td></td></tr> </table>		SYMBOL	INITIALS								
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Also Present: Jo Jen Allder (Spouse of Larry Allder), Todd Fox (NTSB													
Investigator), and Dan Osborn (FAA Aviation Safety Inspector)													
SUBJECT Inspector statement/interview of Larry Allder in regards to N999ZF													
DIGEST Inspector Markise, was able to contact the pilot's brother (Larry Allder) who witnessed the													
accident and was available to make a statement. Inspector Fox conducted the interview and													
Inspector Markise and Osborn were present during the interview. The witness indicated that													
at approximately 0841 A.M. on Saturday, October 17, 2015 the pilot "buzzed" his residence													
(██████████ Cortland, Nebraska) at low altitude from west to east. The pilot of													
N999ZF then made a tight turn and flew over the witness's residence from east to west. The													
witness stated that the pilot then turned south while rapidly gaining altitude. The witness													
stated he thought the aircraft caught some wind and was completely vertical when the pilot													
tried to come out of the maneuver. Inspector Fox asked how much of the aircraft was visible													
at that time. The witness stated he could see both wings, tail, and the canopy. The witness													
then describe that the aircraft pitched over, now heading north and descending rapidly at													
which time he was low and the witness stated he observed two or three shakes of the													
aircraft wings and then the aircraft pitched down and to the right at which time he lost													
visibility of the aircraft, but he heard the impact.													
CONCLUSION, ACTION TAKEN, OR REQUIRED													
DATE 10/18/2015	TITLE Robert L. Markise ASI-OPS	SIGNATURE 											

I saw a red & white plane about 8:30 p.m. on Sat Oct 17 flying in circles to the SW of my location. The last I saw the plane was banking steep turning to his right and then straighten out and begin to descend at a low level a short height above the power lines. Ed Balderson


Ed Balderson

See plane flying South and then turned
east along Ash - 72? then follow along road
and heading East then about 5-10 minutes see
a big black smoke - the plane sounded
like a 2 cylinder tractor driving by the
sound of it, sounded like it was underpowered
plane.

Ryan Oltman

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