

Verbal statement from Danny Schmautz taken July 31, 2017 by Brandon Caneva

While spraying north of Harrold, SD, he heard someone on the radio inquire "Is that you?" Danny answered and then saw aircraft coming directly at him, very low, he responded to the pilot on the radio and immediately heard/felt a loud boom that knocked him out the driver's seat in the ground sprayer. He had to push the head liner up and tried to contact the field supervisor Ronnie Reading on the radio and was unable to, he then used his cell phone and called Ronnie for help. He received a small cut on the top of his head and 2 puncture wounds to his left leg, one required a couple of staples to close.

Ronnie Reading and another ground sprayer said that they had been buzzed by the William Martin previously and notified him to stop, they are in the process of writing statements, which I will include.