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N87RY, Beech A36

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Ellabell, Georgia

ATC Transcripts

The following was transcribed from audio recordings obtained from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) during the investigation of N87RY, a Beech A36 airplane that crashed near Ellabell, Georgia on August 28, 2017. The transcription was performed by the NTSB investigator in charge, John M. Brannen II. The following transcripts depict only communications between the air traffic control facilities noted and N87RY. Communications with other aircraft have been omitted. The transcripts are for three air traffic control positions at Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport, those being the clearance delivery position (CD), local control (LC), and the north radar position (NR).

Communications between N87RY and KSAV Clearance Delivery

1151:36	N87RY	Savannah Clearance bonanza eight seven Romeo yankee
1151:41	CD	Eight seven Romeo yankee go ahead
1151:43	N87RY	yeah IFR to Romeo yankee yankee
1151:55	CD	stand by
1152:07	CD	November eight seven Romeo yankee center clearance cleared to the Romeo yankee yankee airport as filed climb and maintain 3000 expect 8000 one zero minutes after departure departure frequency one two five point three squawk three zero zero one
1152:21	N87RY	that's cleared as filed three thousand eight thousand ten twenty five three and three zero zero one for the squawk
1152:27	CD	And eight seven Romeo yankee read back is correct and that's a lot of Romeo yankees in there
1152:31	N87RY	Yeah it can be confusing at times
1152:33	CD	you know that apollo is going to change to (unintelligible) I think at the end of the year
1152:38	N87RY	Really apollo's not that old only about two years isn't it
1152:42	CD	yeah because it was what turbo before that

1152:45	N87RY	yeah it was
1152:46	CD	Yeah it changes all the time have a good one contact ground point niner
1152:50	N87RY	ok talk to you later

Communications between N87RY and KSAV Local Control

1223:42	N87RY	Bonanza eight seven Romeo yankee's at sheltair ready to taxi
1223:49	LC	November eight seven Romeo yankee savannah ground runway one taxi via GA5 alpha
1223:55	N87RY	one ga5 alpha Romeo yankee
1225:12	LC	November eight seven Romeo yankee verify information papa
1225:15	N87RY	Yeah I got papa Romeo yankee
1227:43	N87RY	savannah tower eight seven Romeo yankee is holding short of one ready for departure
1227:51	LC	bonanza eight seven Romeo yankee savannah tower runway one fly runway heading climb 030 runway heading cleared for takeoff
1127:57	N87RY	runway one fly runway heading cleared for takeoff eight seven Romeo yankee
1229:41	LC	November seven Romeo yankee contact departure
1228:43	N87RY	contact departure

Communications between N87RY and KSAV North Radar

1230:05	N87RY	bonanza eight seven Romeo yankee is six hundred for three thousand runway heading (unintelligible)
1230:07	NR	november eight seven Romeo yankee savannah departure radar contact climb and maintain eight thousand turn left direct polla
1230:13	N87RY	Up to eight direct polla
1235:46	N87RY	savannah savannah eight seven Romeo yankee declaring an emergency
1235:51	NR	November Eight seven Romeo yankee go ahead
1235:53	N87RY	Yeah i have an engine failure need to land
1235:55	NR	November eight seven Romeo yankee you want to go to savannah or Statesboro
1235:58	N87RY	I'm going to have to go to Statesboro not going to make savannah

1236:00	NR	november eight seven Romeo yankee roger vfr or altitude your discretion I'll get you the weather for Statesboro and uh the heading three one six to Statesboro
1236:09	N87RY	three one six to Statesboro Romeo yankee
1236:17	NR	November eight seven Romeo yankee uh when you can take your time just let me know fuel and souls on board
1236:24	N87RY	How far is Statesboro from here
1236:30	N87RY	Eight seven Romeo yankee how far is Statesboro
1236:32	NR	Yep twelve miles
1236:34	NR	Correction 20 miles
1236:36	N87RY	I'm not sure I'll make 20 miles Romeo yankee I might
1236:39	NR	romeo yankee roger you got cypree lakes its about 8 miles to your south actually 7 miles if you turn left heading one seven zero one seven zero you could go straight to cypress lakes
1236:49	N87RY	all right heading one seven zero we're going there Romeo yankee
1237:01	N87RY	and I've got two souls on board and then me for Romeo yankee
1237:06	NR	two souls and how much fuel
1237:08	N87RY	I've got about 3 hours of fuel
1237:35	NR	All right November Romeo yankee cypress lakes is runway one three and three one it's a turf field its twenty seven hundred feet long and a hundred feet wide and you're about six miles northwest of it right now
1237:50	N87RY	roger that Romeo yankee
1238:49	NR	November eight seven Romeo yankee it looks like your not going to make it to cypress lakes you see a road or something your going to land on
1238:57	N87RY	I'll probably make it Romeo yankee I'm still making a little..
1239:01	NR	roger
1239:05	NR	November eight seven Romeo yankee heading one six zero will put you right direct toward cypress lakes its five miles five and a half miles
1240:15	NR	november eight seven romeo Romeo yankee savannah
1240:23	NR	november eight seven Romeo yankee radar contact lost