



RECORD OF REVIEW

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Narrative:

The following is a synopsis of the cellular phone text messages provided by Tricia Sauget (the fiancé of the accident pilot) to the NTSB investigator-in-charge. The text messages originated from the accident pilot's cellular phone.

- During the trip, the pilot and the passenger were communicating with the pilot's fiancé via text message.
- The pilot communicated to the fiancé that the airplane was experiencing a "small electrical problem" and he reported that his estimated time of arrival (ETA) would be determined "at the next fuel stop... just before dark."
- The pilot reported to her that the ETA for the Festus Memorial Airport (FES), Festus, Missouri, would be about 2215 central daylight time.
- He asked the fiancé to be stationed on the north end of runway 1 at FES with a flashlight to help vector the airplane in for landing. The pilot directed the fiancé, "lights on the north end pointing north."
- The pilot reported to the fiancé that he would attempt to activate the airport lighting system with a handheld radio, but he was unsure if the radio had enough battery power to perform the task.
- The last text message from the pilot's phone stated, "keep light on." After several minutes of not seeing or hearing the airplane, the fiancé tried contacting the pilot multiple times via text message with no response.