



Memorandum of Record

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Subject: CEN19FA191, N98527, Witness Statements

Two witnesses provided statements to investigators during the on-scene portion of the investigation. Those statements were used in the preparation of the preliminary message for this investigation. The original witness statements, including the names and contact information of the two witnesses, were lost during the course of the investigation. Following is the extract created from the original statements and used in the preliminary message:

Two witnesses observed the airplane departing [Elyria Airport]. The airplane reached an altitude of 75'-100' and made a left turn. The airplane appeared to roll left and right before the turn. One witness stated the engine initially sounded normal, but the engine revolutions per minute (RPM) "seemed to drop off" before the airplane started the left turn. The airplane lost altitude as it turned south and then made a right turn and descended vertically into the ground.