

# National Transportation Safety Board

Office of Aviation Safety  
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## **RECORD OF CONVERSATION**

Francis Selwyn Gay

July 12, 2021

**Interviewee:** Francis Selwyn Gay  
**Date/Time:** July 12, 2021 / 1039 CDT  
**Location:** Telephone Call  
**Investigator:** Andrew Todd Fox, NTSB Air Safety Investigator

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NTSB Investigator Fox and Mr. Gay discussed the following:

Mr. Gay is an airline pilot who was flying on the day of the accident when he heard a pilot in distress transmitting over the emergency frequency (121.5 MHz).

Mr. Gay heard the pilot transmit that he had "lost his engine" was "losing altitude" and "trying to make it to Skylark." The pilot subsequently stated that he "wasn't going to make it to the airport" and to "roll the trucks." A short time later an emergency locator transmitter (ELT) beacon was heard on the emergency frequency.

Mr. Gay was very cooperative throughout the conversation.