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Subject: N8969F (Hughes 369D Helicopter) - Accident

Contact: Chris Sanders - Helicopter Powerline Services
Chief Executive Officer
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The NTSB investigator-in-charge (IIC) communicated with Chris on the telephone.

The accident main rotor blade, along with two other main rotor blades that were on the helicopter, were painted white in September 2024. The paint work was performed by Geoff Campbell, the current director of maintenance.

There are no maintenance records showing the paint work that was performed, when the paint work was exactly performed, who performed the paint work, and who inspected the paint work.

*** Nothing Follows ***