



MEMORANDUM OF RECORD

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Date: December 3, 2012, 0908 EST
NTSB Accident Number: ERA13CA067
Person Interviewed: Vincent Radley (Pilot)

Narrative:

Mr. Radley, the pilot of the accident airplane, was contacted by phone on December 3, 2012, 0908 EST at [REDACTED] the phone number to the rehabilitation clinic to which Mr. Radley was located at the time. Below is a record of conversation:

- Mr. Radley stated that he was taxiing the airplane without intent for flight, but was attempting to move the airplane from his “toy garage” to his hangar, a distance of approximately one mile, to put it away for winter.
- The pilot reported gusty wind conditions on the day of the accident and that he “would never have flown that day.”
- He applied power to taxi the airplane up a steep slope and, after travelling about one quarter mile, was hit by a gust of wind. The right wing was subsequently lifted up and the airplane rotated towards a downhill slope where it rolled before impacting trees resulting in serious injury to the pilot.
- When asked why he had not responded to my attempts to reach him through his home phone and cell phone, the pilot stated that the hospital had forced him to leave his cell phone at home.
- The pilot reported no pre-existing mechanical malfunctions or anomalies that could have precluded normal operation.