



NTSB Investigation No. ERA15FA173

Date of Accident: March 30, 2015

Accident Location: Saucier, MS

CERTIFICATION OF PARTY REPRESENTATIVE¹

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I further acknowledge that I have familiarized myself with the attached copies of the NTSB Accident/Incident Investigation Procedures (49 C.F.R. Part 831) and "Information and Guidance for Parties to NTSB Accident and Incident Investigations," and will comply, and ensure all employees and representatives of my organization will comply, with these requirements. This includes, but is not limited to, the provisions of 49 C.F.R. §§ 831.11 and 831.13, which, respectively, specify certain criteria for participation in NTSB investigations and limitations on the dissemination of investigation information.

No party representative may occupy a legal position or be a person who also represents claimants or insurers. I certify that my participation is not on behalf of either claimants or insurers, and that, although factual information obtained as a result of participating in the NTSB investigation may ultimately be used in litigation (at the appropriate time, and in a manner that is not inconsistent with the provisions of 49 C.F.R. § 831.13 and 49 U.S.C. § 1154), my participation is to assist the NTSB safety investigation and not for the purposes of preparing for litigation. I also certify that, after the NTSB IIC releases the parties and party participants from the restrictions on dissemination of investigative information specified in 49 C.F.R. § 831.13, neither I nor my party organization will in any way assert in civil litigation arising out of the accident any claim of privilege for information or records received as a result of my participation in the NTSB investigation.

I further acknowledge my responsibility to ensure that the NTSB is informed in writing, immediately and with specificity, when information or records provided to the NTSB, in any format, or other investigative activities, are subject to United States export controls, classification or licensing requirements, or sanctions restrictions. Similarly, commercially sensitive and/or proprietary material provided to the NTSB investigation should be clearly marked in accordance with the provisions of 49 C.F.R. Part 831.6.

Signature)

Date

April 1, 2015

Name & Title

Lori D. Clark, Air Safety Investigator (trainee)

Party Organization/Employer

US Forest Service

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Stein Stephen

From: AirOps [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 4:14 AM
To: Yeager Leah; Stein Stephen
Cc: 'Safety Intelligence [REDACTED]'; 'Bell Helicopter'; 'Stuntzner, Mark'; A15F0045
Subject: Notification /fatal Bell 206L-1 accident in Saucier, MS/30 March 2015.
Attachments: TSB Notification Saucier, MS.docx

Hi Leah,

Thank you for the subject notice. As Canada is the State of Design for the occurrence helicopter, TSB has opened a file (No. A15F0045 refers) and appointed me as the Accredited Representative in accordance with ICAO Annex 13, Section 5.23. There are no plans for me to travel to the accident site at this time.

The TSB confirms Mark Stuntzman, a Bell Helicopter - Air Safety Investigator, to be Technical Advisor to the TSB Accredited Representative.

If the TSB can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me directly.

Kind Regards,

Beverley Harvey

Enquêteuse principale, Opérations / Aviation - Opérations de l'administration centrale
Bureau de la sécurité des transports du Canada / Gouvernement du Canada
[REDACTED]

Senior Investigator, Operations / Air - Head Office Operations
Transportation Safety Board of Canada / Government of Canada
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From: Yeager Leah [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2015 6:53 PM
To: AirOps
Cc: Stein Stephen; ERA Archives; Stuntzner, Mark
Subject: International Notification

Good Afternoon-

Please see the attached notification of a fatal Bell 206L-1 accident in Saucier, MS that occurred today.

Regards,

Leah Yeager

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