



RECORD OF INTERVIEW

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Person(s) Interviewed: Rishi Nagrani -Pilot
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Narrative:

This interview was performed by telephone with Mr. Rishi Nagrani.

Mr. Nagrani stated he was in cruise flight for almost an hour at 11,500ft and the aircraft was running smooth. Then he noticed the pitch of the aircraft was starting to increase in an effort to maintain altitude and his manifold air pressure was decreasing. At this time, the RPM and oil pressure were constant. He started losing altitude and the manifold gauge was shaking. He added power and no change was noticed.

Mr. Nagrani then headed direct to Ashe county, KGEV airport. He was still very high in altitude over the airport and circled the airport at least three times to lose altitude. On his last turn to final he stated the headwinds were very strong and he knew he was not going to make the airport because he had no power out of the engine. At that time, he decided to pull the chute.