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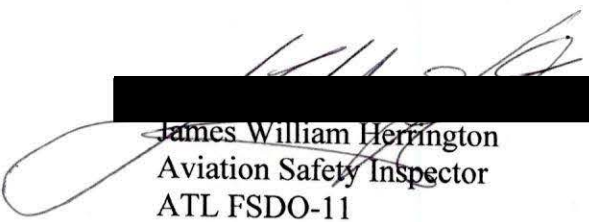
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From: James W. Herrington, FAA ASI
Re: Accident N8DX

I received a call from Mr. Wayne Luginbuhl. He has known The PIC for 18 years. He has accomplished flight training and maintenance for the PIC. Mr Luginbuhl stated that the pilot was not 61.58 current and did not have a current flight review. He told me that he believes that the PIC has not been to a training center in several years. He has told the PIC on many occasions that he needed to hire a pilot to fly with him. Wayne informed me that the PIC was known to call and complain that the aircraft or autopilot was broken. Wayne would look and find that the autopilot was not broken but instead was not being operated properly. It was the opinion of Mr. Luginbuhl that the PIC was at a point in his life where he was getting confused with the autopilot and avionics in the aircraft. He states that the PIC was constantly "behind the aircraft".

Mr. Luginbuhl was stated that he had performed maintenance on N8DX in the past but was not the current mechanic working on the aircraft. He also stated that the current mechanic was Mr. Steel. Mr. Luginbuhl told me that he does not have the current log books for the pilot or the aircraft. He said that he does have very old log books. Mr. Luginbuhl agreed to write a statement and send it via e-mail to the FAA recording his knowledge of the PIC and N8DX.

Signed,


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