



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

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Date: January 1, 2020
Person Contacted: Terri Rose - CEO/Auto-Gyro USA
NTSB Accident Number: ERA19FA034

Narrative:

Mr. Trillo was the owner/builder of the accident gyrocopter. Purchased the kit thru Cloud Nine, Inc. Mr. Trillo was not a pilot and intended to get a sport pilot certificate with the gyrocopter. He was interviewed by telephone, and the following is a summary of the interview.

The 40-hour fly-off was performed by Cloud Nine Helicopters. There were at least two pilots, possibly three. The 40-hour fly-off was part of the deal. The original purchase contract included builder assist and the fly off.

Mr. Trillo said that he had lost his interest in becoming a pilot and flying his aircraft, and the people at Cloud Nine were no longer affiliated with Auto-Gyro. So, he contacted Auto-Gyro and completed an agreement for them to pick up the aircraft, and market it for sale at the Deland Air Show, which would run November 1-3, 2018.

Mr. Trillo signed an agreement with Auto-Gyro and discussed that the Conditional Inspection and the 40-hour fly-off would be completed by the time Auto-Gyro's pilot took delivery.

Mr. Trillo's understanding was that the paperwork was completed as discussed prior to the pilot taking delivery of the accident gyrocopter.