



# NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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**Date: 11/01/2018**  
**Person Contacted: Dale Hoff (FAA Inspector)**  
**NTSB Accident Number: ERA19LA022**

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## **Narrative:**

The following is a summary of a telephone conversation that occurred with the FAA inspector assigned to the accident. He reported that in an interview with the student pilot, he reported the following:

- The student reported he had ground contact during the entire flight, the visibility was good, and he never entered the clouds during the flight.
- The student reported he was navigating around airspace and suddenly experienced an electrical failure, and then shortly thereafter, lost engine power.
- The student reported that he normally operates the master switch in the down position, which is the spare fuse position. He cycled the master switch up and down, but electrical power was not restored.
- The student pilot reported that he cycled the starter switch as well, but power was not restored.
- The student reported that he had carburetor heat applied about 1/2 to 3/4 to full heat.
- The student reported the engine just went quiet.
- The student reported that because he was not in controlled airspace, he had the transponder turned off.