



MEMORANDUM OF RECORD

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Director of Customer Support- Jon
Tonko

Subject: Banyan Air Service (FXE),
Towing methods of the Honda Jet

During a conversation with Jon Tonko (Director of Customer Support), they were aware of the landing incident involving Hondajet N166HJ in Charleston. Mr. Tonko stated that Banyan uses two methods to tow the Hondajet:

1. Use of a Lektro tug which lifts up the nose wheel and is secured with a strap around the nose strut.
2. Use of a conventional tug and towbar. When we use this method, we do use tow pin adapters because the wheel hubs on the aircraft are too small for a universal towbar hookup.