



NTSB MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

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Person Contacted: Beverly Berry (Spouse of Pilot, Mr. Berry)
NTSB Accident Number: ERA20LA330

Narrative:

The individual noted above provided the following to questions asked via email. Below are the contents of what was asked and reported:

1. Are you aware of when Mr. Berry typically went to sleep, and woke up? Was there anything unusual about the day or days leading up to the accident, regarding Mr. Berry's routine sleep schedule?

My husband was an early riser, especially when he had spraying or students scheduled. He would have been in bed by 10:00 p.m the night before. There was nothing unusual in his routine before the accident. On the day of the accident his alarm was set for 4:30 a.m. and he arrived at the airport by 6:30 a.m. to prepare for flying that morning.

2. Did Mr. Berry have any current health concerns, and are you aware of any medication he was taking?

My husband had no current health concerns at the time of the accident. His medications were: Lisinopril 10 mg, Metformin 500 Mg 2 per day, and Omeprazol.

3. Do you know if Mr. Berry had prior experience spraying the field that the accident occurred in? Or, was this the first time he had treated this location?

My husband had sprayed this same field approximately 4 weeks prior.

4. Is there anything else you believe to be of importance to our investigation that you would like to share?

The first time he sprayed this long narrow pasture field, the winds favored flying a North/South pattern. I know that because I was there taking photos with a student. On the day of the accident, the farmer said he was spraying East/West due to the winds that day, which meant much shorter passes before turns.