



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

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NTSB Case Number: ERA21FA165

Witnesses:

Roland Yarbaroh

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Date/Time: March 30, 2021, 1100

Subject: On-scene witness interview (via telephone)

These statements were taken at the accident site during the on-scene examination of the airplane.

During the on-scene investigation, the witnesses were contacted and interviewed about the accident event. The first witness, Mr. Yarbaroh, stated that the pilot was circling low over his house and waving. He said that it was a clear day and after circling for about five minutes, the airplane departed the area. As he watched the airplane head north it collided with a powerline. The airplane pitched down abruptly and descended into a ravine where it collided with the ground. He said the broken powerline "knocked out" the power, and a brush fire started because of the powerline contacting the dry brush. The witness said he rushed down the ravine to assist the pilot and contacted the local authorities.