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Subject: ERA22LA312, Passenger Record of Conversation

Contact: Bryant Tonkin @ [REDACTED]

He has video of the accident taken with his Go-Pro camera that was mounted on the left wing. He will send it to me via secured link.

Nothing unusual about the flight. The pilot has lots of experience in powered paragliders. The engine and everything sounded normal, and they took off and turned towards the trees to the left of the runway. "We tried to make it over the trees, and we hit a tree. It didn't climb like it normally does."

He doesn't recall if there is any panic or unusual behavior from the pilot and did not notice if the pilot was "fighting" the airplane.

They went into the trees and nosedived into the ground. He (Tonkin) was only bruised up a little, a minor injury. He was sitting in the right seat.

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