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The following are excerpts from e-mail correspondence with Inspector Toms from the Greensboro Flight Standards District Office (FSDO) regarding this aircraft and accident. Inspector Toms is an Airworthiness Inspector and the FAA Party Coordinator for this accident.

June 5, 2024, 1258 EDT, related to Inspector Toms' conversation with Mr. Ruth (pilot):

". . . There were several issues with the helicopter that more than likely co contributed to the challenge of normal operation. (We discussed) the throttle correlation, the main rotor rigging, vibration and control issues; Main rotor cyclic control with a one-per rev cyclic control movement I saw on a video he had . . . "

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June 13, 2024, at 1518 EDT:

"The accident sequence involved a helicopter pilot, who was not a mechanic. The sequence identified abnormal vibrations, rigging and assembly methods that likely caused flight control challenges. . . .

