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The following was extracted from notes of Sgt. Kornegay's conversation at the scene with witness Phyllis Brown, Arlington, GA:

"...Brown stated she was traveling north on US Hwy 27N and observed the glider traveling south above the Hwy. Brown stated the glider then struck a power line, fell to the ground and became engulfed in flames."



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The following was extracted from notes of Sgt. Kornegay's conversation at the scene with witness William Rathel, Bainbridge, GA:

"...Rathel who advised he was traveling north on US Hwy 27N and observed the glider traveling south above the Hwy when the glider suddenly dropped, striking the power line. Rathel stated the Glider then spun around the power line then the power line began sparking and burning. Rathel stated the Glider fell from the power line and after crashing to the ground burst into flames..."