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Subject: ERA25LA341, Pilot Statement Follow-up

Contact: Barry Holtz, Pilot

I reached out to Barry Holtz by phone regarding his accident involving a Grumman G-44A Widgeon, N402E, that occurred on September 6, 2025, in Moosehead Lake ME. After reading his written statement, It was noted that he stated that he started a shallow descent, then "Sent a quick note to my friend, he replied with seabase frequency." I asked Mr. Holtz what method this note was sent and he confirmed that it was a text message via cell phone, after which, he changed radio frequencies and looked up to find he was heading for the water. I told him I had no further questions and the call was ended.