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Contact: FAA Inspector, John Vaughan, BHM FSDO

The following was extracted from an email attachment received on November 7, 2025, from the FAA Inspector assigned to the accident. The statement was originally sent on October 26, 2025, by the Director of Operations to the FAA Inspector.

"I am submitting documentation regarding a hard landing that occurred during a hovering autorotation training exercise on 10/22/2025. Attached are written statements from both the instructor and the student involved in the event."