



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: January 4, 2016
Person Contacted: Mr. Dana M. MacLeod (Student Pilot)
NTSB Accident Number: GAA16CA075

Narrative:

The following is a synopsis of the information provided by Mr. MacLeod in an email conversation.

- I am not sure of the exact amount of power but I was applying/adding enough power to transition from my descent to a hover.
- Airspeed was < 10 knots, in all actuality it was probably closer to 5 knots or less.
- My altitude was approximately 5-10 feet above ground level.
- I believe once the rapid yaw to the right began, I applied full left pedal.
- Once I was transitioning into the hover, that's when the rapid yaw to the right occurred and I did an approximate 450 to 460 degree rotation.
- The winds were from the same direction + or – a few degrees. I don't believe the winds were ever greater than 5 knots. The point of landing I was near one of the windsocks located on the airfield and it had been consistently in the same position.