

RECORD OF ☐ VISIT ☐ CONFERENCE OR ☒ TELEPHONE CALL		TIME 3:27 PM	DATE 05/21/2017												
NAME(S) OF PERSON(S) CONTACTED OR IN CONFERENCE AND LOCATION Robert Mundle		ROUTING <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;">SYMBOL</th> <th style="width: 50%;">INITIALS</th> </tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> </table>		SYMBOL	INITIALS										
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SUBJECT Inspector Jones: Mr. Mundle in your own words could you give me a description of the accident?		DIGEST Mr. Mundle: Well we had deteriorating weather conditions trying to get to Knoxville so we altered our plan from Greater Cumberland direct to Knoxville but the weather precluded that so we elected to go east southeast over to New Market, land there and assess whether not we could continue home or park the airplane for the day. In order to maintain VFR conditions 3 miles visibility and five feet below the clouds. On the direct route to New Market it looked like the clouds are coming right down onto the ridge so we turned left onto a lower ridge and I thought we were going to clear the ridge. We were 500 feet below the clouds and I was dividing my attention between monitoring the student and watching the navigation very carefully because we were below the ridgeline and I wanted to make certain that it wasn't a tower or something we would hit. And as we were approaching the ridge line at 2300 feet I noticed that his airspeed started to drop toward 65 miles an hour and I said Carl watch your airspeed you know it's an optical illusion and you're probably raising the nose and he said no I've got full power. At that moment I thought that maybe we were picking up carburetor ice and I reached for the carburetor heat and pulled it out and no sooner did get it pulled out it was obvious that we were not going to clear desert ridge and we had about 50 feet below the top of the ridge. We could see the ridge, we had the visibility													
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you know it was just the rapidly rising terrain that caused us to hit the trees.