

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Talkeetna State: AK
 ZIP: 99676 Country: USA
 Latitude: N 62 10.153' Longitude: W149 41.359'
(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 02/24/2018 Local Time: 1435
mm/dd/yyyy Time Zone: AST

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N7519G

Manufacturer: Robinson

Model: R44

Serial Number: 1363

Year of Manufacture: 2004

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Kit/Plans ☐ Original Design Make: _____

- ☐ IFR-Equipped and Certified
☐ Commercial Space Flight
☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: 2400 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1900 lbs

Number of Seats: 4 Flight Crew Seats: 1
 Cabin Crew Seats: 0 Passenger Seats: 3

Number of Engines: One

Category of Aircraft

- ☐ Airplane
☐ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☒ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift
☐ Rocket
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate (Check all that apply)

- | Standard | Special |
|---|---|
| ☒ Normal | ☐ Restricted |
| ☐ Aerobatic | ☐ Limited |
| ☐ Balloon | ☐ Provisional |
| ☐ Commuter | ☐ Special Flight |
| ☐ Transport | ☐ Experimental |
| ☐ Utility | ☐ Special Light-Sport |
| | ☐ Experimental Light-Sport |
| ☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA) | |
| ☐ None ☐ Unknown | |

Landing Gear

(Check all that apply)

- ☐ Retractable
- | | |
|--|--|
| ☐ Tricycle | ☐ Tailwheel |
| ☐ Amphibian | ☐ High Skid |
| ☐ Emergency Float | ☒ Skid |
| ☐ Float | ☐ Ski |
| ☐ Hull | ☐ Ski/Wheel |
| ☐ Other Launch/Recovery System | |
| ☐ None ☐ Unknown | |

Engine Type (Select one)

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| ☒ Reciprocating | ☐ Liquid Rocket |
| ☐ Turbo Shaft | ☐ Solid Rocket |
| ☐ Turbo Prop | ☐ Hybrid Rocket |
| ☐ Turbo Jet | ☐ None |
| ☐ Turbo Fan | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Electric | |

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

- ☒ Carburetor ☐ Fuel-Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Serial	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	Lycoming	O540	L-26272-40A	05/20/2015	225	459	59	459
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☒ 100-Hour ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ AAIP ☐ Conditional Inspection
☐ Annual ☐ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 09/26/2017

mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 2600 hrs

hours measured at (Select one)

- ☒ Last Inspection ☐ Time of Accident/Incident

Type of Maintenance Program (Select one)

- ☐ Annual
☐ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
☒ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
☐ Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP)
☐ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ Other, specify: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☒ None
☐ Specify: _____

Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: Kanaad

Model or Part No.: S/N 2621333-0179

TSO No.: ☐ OC91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ OC91a (121.5 MHz)
☒ OC126 (406 MHz)

Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Did ELT Activate? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If activated:

Did ELT Aid in Locating Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If not activated:

- Indicate Reason: ☐ Impact Damage
☐ Fire Damage
☐ Battery Expired/Damaged
☒ Unknown

Additional Equipment (Check all that apply)

- ☐ ADS-B
☐ Airframe Parachute
☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
☐ Autopilot
☐ Data Recorder
☐ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
☐ Handheld GPS
☐ Heads Up Display
☐ Onboard Weather
☐ Satellite Tracking Device
☐ Stall Warning System
☐ Video Recording Device
☒ Other, Specify: Garmin 495

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION			
Registered Aircraft Owner Name: <u>William W. Stearns</u>		City: <u>Talkeetna</u> State: <u>AK</u> ZIP: <u>99676</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No			
Operator of Aircraft ☒ Same As Registered Owner		☒ Same Address as Registered Owner	
Name: _____		City: _____	
Doing Business As: _____		State: _____ ZIP: _____	
Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____		Country: _____	
Operating Certificates Held <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ None ☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121) ☐ Supplemental ☐ Air Cargo ☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129) ☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133) ☐ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135) ☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135) ☐ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136) ☐ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137) ☐ Pilot School (FAR 141) ☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA) ☐ Commercial Space Transportation Experimental Permit ☐ Commercial Space Transportation License ☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft	Regulation Flight Conducted Under ☒ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 415 ☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ FAR 431 ☐ FAR 121 ☐ FAR 135 ☐ FAR 435 ☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ FAR 437 ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight ☐ Non-US, Commercial ☐ Non-US, Non-commercial ☐ Public Aircraft <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Armed Forces ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Local ☐ Unknown	Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 <i>(Select one for each group)</i> ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ Domestic ☐ International ☐ Passenger ☐ Cargo ☐ Mail Contract Only	
Revenue Sightseeing Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No		Air Medical Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No	
AIRPORT INFORMATION <i>(Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)</i>			
Airport Name: <u>Talkeetna, Alaska</u> Airport Identifier: <u>PATK</u> Proximity to Airport: ☒ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/A		Distance From Airport Center: <u>10</u> sm Direction From Airport: <u>115</u> degrees true Airport Elevation: <u>358</u> ft. msl	
Runway Information Runway ID: _____ (L/R/C) Length: _____ ft Width: _____ ft		Condition of Runway/Landing Surface <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ Dry ☐ Holes ☐ Ice Covered ☐ Rough ☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Snow-Crusted ☒ Snow-Dry ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Soft ☐ Vegetation ☐ Water-Calm ☐ Water-Choppy ☐ Water-Glassy ☐ Wet ☐ Unknown	
Runway/Landing Surface <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ Asphalt ☐ Concrete ☐ Dirt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Gravel ☐ Ice ☐ Macadam ☐ Metal/Wood ☒ Snow ☐ Unknown			
Approach/Departure Segment <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Taxi ☐ Takeoff ☐ Initial Climb ☐ VFR Departure ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☐ On Instrument Approach ☒ Landing ☐ Downwind ☐ Base ☐ Final ☐ Crosswind ☐ Low Approach ☐ Go Around ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown) ☐ Unknown			
IFR Approach <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ None ☐ ADF/NDB ☐ SDF ☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ VOR/DME ☐ TACAN ☐ PAR ☐ Sidestep ☐ ILS ☐ Localizer Only ☐ LOC-back course ☐ RNAV ☐ MLS ☐ LDA ☐ ASR ☐ Visual ☐ Contact ☐ Circling ☐ Practice ☐ GPS ☐ Unknown		VFR Approach <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ None ☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Straight-In ☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Go Around ☐ Full Stop ☐ Stop and Go ☐ Touch and Go ☐ Simulated Forced Landing ☐ Forced Landing ☐ Precautionary Landing ☒ Unknown	

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 1" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 1" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☒ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☒ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 1" IdentificationFirst Name: WilliamCity of Residence: TalkeetnaMiddle Initial: WState: AlaskaZIP: 99676Last Name: StearnsCountry: USAAge at time of Accident/Incident: 72 Date of Birth: 1945 mm/dd/yyyyCertificate Number: **Degree of Injury**

☒ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☒ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Restraint Type**Available**

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☒ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Used

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☒ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☒ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☒ None ☒ Flight Instructor ☒ Commercial ☐ US Military
☒ Private ☐ Recreational ☒ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign
☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☒ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐ None ☒ Class 3
☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☐ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown
☐ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A
☒ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical

04/30/2017
mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

Must have corrective lenses

Medical Certificate Special Issuance**Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:**

07/28/2015
mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review AircraftMake: RobinsonModel: R44**Airplane Rating(s)**
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☒ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☒ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airship
☐ Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☒ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☒ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☒ Airplane Single-Engine
☒ Airplane Multi-Engine
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Powered Lift
☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Helicopter
☐ Glider
☐ Sport

Type Ratings**Student Endorsements** (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter appropriate number of hours in each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	11,500	2,100	5,000	4,000	2,000	75	0	2,100	0	0
Pilot in Command (PIC)	10,500	2,000	4,500	3,900	1,950	75	50	2,000	0	0
Time as Instructor	3,500	0	2,500	1,000	500	5	50	0	0	0
This Make/Model					350	0	0			
Last 90 Days	0	50	0	0	5	0	0	50	0	0
Last 30 Days	0	15	0	0	2	0	0	15	0	0
Last 24 Hours	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0

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ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)

Crew Name and Address		Seat Occupied		Injury
First Name: _____	City of Residence: _____	☐ Left	☐ Front	☐ None
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ ZIP: _____	☐ Center	☐ Rear	☐ Minor
Last Name: _____	Country: _____	☐ Right	☐ Single ☐ Unknown	☐ Serious
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)		Restraint Type:		Inflatable Restraints
☐ None	☐ Flight Instructor	☐ Commercial	☐ US Military	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
☐ Private	☐ Recreational	☐ Airline Transport	☐ Foreign	
☐ Student	☐ Sport	☐ Flight Engineer		
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No		Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs		

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PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Name and Address	Seat	Injury	Restraint Type		Inflatable Restraints	Age
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If Under 5, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
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FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point	Time of Departure	Destination	Type Flight Plan Filed
Airport ID: <u>PATK</u>	Time: <u>1415</u>	Airport ID: <u>Off Airport</u>	☐ None ☐ VFR/IFR
City: <u>Talkeetna</u>	Time Zone: <u>AST</u>	City: <u>Talkeetna</u>	☒ Company VFR ☐ IFR
State: <u>AK</u>		State: <u>AK</u>	☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown
Country: <u>USA</u>		Country: <u>USA</u>	☐ VFR
			Activated? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply)

☒ None	☐ Special VFR	☐ Special IFR	☐ VFR Flight Following	☐ Cruise
☐ VFR	☐ IFR	☐ VFR On Top	☐ Traffic Advisory	☐ Unknown / NA

Airspace where the accident/incident occurred <i>(Check all that apply)</i>				Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: <u>2200</u> ft msl
☐ Class A ☐ Class B ☐ Class C ☐ Class D ☐ Class E	☒ Class G ☐ Demo Area ☐ Warning Area ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ Restricted Area	☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ TRSA ☐ FAR 93	☐ Special ☐ Air Traffic Control Area ☐ Unknown	

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Source of Pilot Weather Information (Check all that apply)		Weather Observation Facility
☒ National Weather Service ☐ Flight Service Station ☐ TV/Radio ☐ Automated Report ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☐ On-Board Weather	☐ Company ☐ Military ☐ Internet ☐ None ☐ Unknown	Facility ID: <u>PATK</u> Observation Time: <u>1200</u> Time Zone: <u>AST</u> Distance from Accident Site: <u>15</u> nm Direction from Accident Site: <u>115</u> degrees true

Basic Conditions	Light Condition			
☒ VMC	☐ Dawn	☐ Dusk	☐ Dark Night	☐ Unknown
☐ IMC	☒ Day	☐ Night	☐ Bright Night	
☐ Unknown				

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition ☒ Clear ☐ Thin Broken ☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast ☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Unknown ☐ Scattered	Ceiling ☒ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured ☐ Broken ☐ Indefinite ☐ Overcast ☐ Unknown	Temperature: _____ (C) or <u>15</u> (F) Dew Point: _____ (C) or <u>5</u> (F) Altimeter Setting: <u>3000</u> in. Hg or _____ MB
Lowest Cloud Condition Height _____ ft agl	Ceiling Height _____ ft agl	

Wind Direction ☒ Variable -OR- Direction: _____ degrees true	Wind Speed ☒ Calm ☐ Light and Variable -OR- Speed: _____ kts	Wind Gusts ☒ Not Gusting -OR- Speed: _____ kts	Visibility <u>10+</u> miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles Density Altitude: unk ft
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Intensity of Precipitation	Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)	Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply)
☐ Light	☒ None	☒ None
☐ Moderate	☐ Rain	☐ Blowing Dust
☐ Heavy	☐ Snow	☐ Blowing Sand
☒ N/A	☐ Hail	☐ Blowing Snow
☐ Unknown	☐ Rain Showers	☐ Blowing Spray
	☐ Drizzle	☐ Dust
	☐ Ice Pellets	☐ Fog
	☐ Snow Pellets	☐ Ground Fog
	☐ Snow Grains	☐ Haze
	☐ Ice Crystals	☐ Ice Fog
	☐ Freezing Rain	☐ Smoke
	☐ Snow Shower	☐ Unknown
	☐ Ice Pellets Shower	
	☐ Freezing Drizzle	

Icing Forecast		Icing Actual		Turbulence	
Amount	Type	Amount	Type	Type (Check all that apply)	Severity
☐ None	☐ N/A	☐ None	☐ N/A	☒ None	☐ Light
☐ Trace	☐ Rime	☐ Trace	☐ Rime	☐ Clear Air	☐ Moderate
☐ Light	☐ Clear	☐ Light	☐ Clear	☐ Terrain-Induced	☐ Severe
☐ Moderate	☐ Mixed	☐ Moderate	☐ Mixed	☐ Convective Turbulence	☐ Extreme
☐ Severe	☐ Unknown	☐ Severe	☐ Unknown		
☐ Unknown		☐ Unknown			

NOTAMS (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

None

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**

- ☐ None ☒ Substantial
☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed
☐ ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Fire

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Explosion

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Explosion at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property *(Use additional sheet if necessary)*

Dynamic Roll Over: Destroyed main Rotor, transmission, vertical mast, vertical and horizontal firewalls, horizontal stabilizer, front windshields.

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT *(Please type or print in ink)*

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

At approximately 2:20pm Saturday Feb 24, 2018, I left my office in N7519G for a local flight to the site [REDACTED]. My purpose of the flight was to check snow and weather conditions for a subsequent Memorial flight and snow machine trip [REDACTED]. I landed at the site in deep snow with intermittent exposed brush. I believed that I was on packed snow sufficient to land and after landing I began reducing the power on the helicopter, it lost footing on the pilot side (right) and began to tip over. I tried to regain RPM and lift off the ground but was unable before striking the ground. There was a severe shudder as the helicopter rested on its side. I immediately shut the engine down and kicked the front left windshield out and got away to a safe distance in fear of a fire. After ascertaining that there was no fire hazard, I returned to the helicopter, shut off the master switch and began removing valuables. There were no passengers, witnesses or other property involved. I was not injured or otherwise incapacitated. The location of the incident was N62 10.163' W149 41.359' in mountainous terrain.

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

Total Time/Cycles
On Part

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

Time Since This Part
Inspected/Overhauled

_____ Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION

Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff

(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

47 _____ Gallons

Fuel Type

☐ 80/87☒ 100 Low Lead☐ 100/130☐ 115/145☐ Jet A☐ Jet A-1☐ Jet B☐ JP8☐ Automotive☐ Other, specify _____

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFTWas an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

I kicked the front windshield out and crawled through it.

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for other aircraft)

Aircraft Registration Number

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft

☐ Destroyed☐ Minor☐ Substantial☐ None

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Please type or print in Ink)

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Date of this Report

03/09/2018

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: William W. Stearns

Signature: _____

-- or --

☐ Check here to electronically sign this document**If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report**

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

-- or --

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