



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: Accident date, October 29, 2013
Person Contacted: Robert White
Chief Helicopter Pilot for Air Medical Resource Group (AMRG)
NTSB Accident Number: WPR14LA038, N985EW

Narrative:

The day after the accident, October 30, 2013, Merritt Wilson, an FAA inspector, from Honolulu FSDO and myself were examining the wreckage. The two pilots approached us to share their story. The Flight Instructor got in the left seat and told us what he did and/or remembered. He carefully pointed out that the throttle grip controls were configured properly and in the full throttle position. He also pointed out that the auto/manual switch above his head was in the manual position. He did say that after they hit the ground and slide to a stop, he reached up and “turned the engine off.” He then got on the main-rotor brake to stop the blades from rotating.

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