

## MEMORANDUM OF RECORD

Eric Alleyne Air Safety Investigator Eastern Region Aviation

May 23, 2015

Subject: Interview with Cesar Clavijo (Chief mechanic) and Kris Kirchoff (A&P mechanic)

**Persons giving Interview:** Eric Alleyne (Telephone and followed up with email)

Time of Interview: Began at 1300 EDT

During the interview Mr. Clavijo he informed me that he was the current chief mechanic for HQ Aviation, Orlando, Florida. I informed Mr. Clavijo that I was the NTSB IIC for the accident that took place on March 22, 2015 involving N30242. He said he was aware of the accident and wanted to help in any way possible. I told Mr. Clavijo that I was looking at the logbooks I did not see any current maintenance entries but in talking to the pilots there were maintenance flights that had taken place days prior to the accident. Mr. Clavijo went on to say that on March 8, 2015, a track and balance was done by a Kris Kirchoff an A&P mechanic. In speaking to Mr. Kirchoff he said that he performed the track and balance in accordance with the R44 Maintenance Manual section 10.230, the tail rotor in accordance with section 10.240 and the fan in accordance with section 6.240. Mr Kirchoff did not finish the work and Mr. Clavijo came in on March 9, 2015 to complete the job. It was not made clear where Mr. Kirchoff left off from the previous day. On March 9, 2015 Mr. Clavijo stated that he replaced the belt on the tensioning actuator gear motor on March 3, 2015, and touched up painted the leading edge main rotor blade. Mr. Clavijo said that he forgot to make these entries in the logbooks.