

National Transportation Safety Board

Memorandum for Record

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FROM: Todd Gunther (Operations Group Chairman)

SUBJECT: Witness Statement and Interview Summary Changes/Clarifications

The following factual changes and clarifications were provided to the Operations Group Chairman by the listed individuals.

First Officer Heather Cornell

• Ms. Cornell's initial operating experience did not include training in Portland, Oregon. However, it did include 5 days of training in Rapid City, South Dakota.

Manager of Dispatch Dan Perich

- He was a navigator in B-52s in the Air Force and then went into dispatching and crew scheduling for the Air Force, all over a total of 9 years. He was not a navigator for a total of 9 years.
- They do recurrent training biannually, not annually, and it is done in the classroom as well as online.

Dispatcher Dee Barnes

- In June of 2000, not 2001, she started part time for Empire in dispatch
- She did not send all of the weather packets. She faxed the accident crew the weather packets for the Midland flight, the El Paso flight, and Ray Stanea sent the packet for the LBB flight.

Dispatcher Ray Stanea

• He was given an ATR ground school course, not training in the ATR, by the check airman.

Chief Pilot Steve Martini

- Mr. Martini attended North Idaho College in 1985, but did not graduate in 1985.
- He received most of his ratings at Empire's flight school, but not all of his ratings.
- He started flying the Metroliner Carrying freight between Spokane, WA and Portland, OR, not Portland, WA.
- He believed that the Captain of the accident was at one time a "full check airmen" in Portland, OR, not Portland, WA.
- The pilots originally received the "Be Prepared for Icing" handout, not the video.

Check Airman Tim Castro

• He did a portion of the accident captain's IOE in 2002, not 2003.

Check Airman Dan Paulson

- Steve Jobe, not Steve Jobs, gave him his initial checkride. Steve Jobe was not in charge of the program at that time.
- In reference to the pilots coming out of Flight Safety, the students that he was receiving would climb out at Red Bug, instead of climbing out at White Bug.

Training Manager Nicola Phillips

• She was not a ramp agent, but rather worked in cabin service for skyway.

Technical Publications Personnel Dalene McNitt & Peggy Lemm

• The library does not create the TOLD cards, but they receive them from dispatch and enter them into the company database and send them to the maintenance base to update the aircraft manual.