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SENT VIA EMAIL AND FAX

Van S. McKenny IV Aerospace Engineer (Helicopters) National Transportation Safety Board

Re: Rick Vance Interview Summary

Dear Mr. McKenny:

Although the time for submitting factual comments has passed, I wanted to bring to your attention and note a discrepancy regarding my Interview Summary, which is appended to the Operations Group Chairman's Factual Report as "Factual Report – Attachment 1."

On page 6 of my Interview Summary, it represents that I stated in my interview that I "pointed out the seatbelt cutter and told them where it was and how to use it. He pulled it out and told them it was to be used to cut the tethers, not the harness." This does not accurately reflect my testimony. I did not testify that I actually took the cutting tool out of the sleeve. Rather, I testified that I pointed out the cutting tool when briefing the passengers about it and how to use it.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Richard Vance