

## Flight Crew Statements – Era Alaska Flight 878

### Captain

On October 23, 2013 I was the pilot in command in the BE 1900C of Era Alaska flight 878 to Homer. After a normal descent and approach with myself as the flying pilot the aircraft touched down as in what would be considered a normal landing. Shortly after the wheels made contact with the runway however the landing gear collapsed.

As I realized the landing gear was collapsing I noticed the gear unsafe light in my peripheral vision. I glanced down and determined that the landing gear handle had been moved to the up and locked position as well as noticed my first officer settling back in his seat from reaching across the control panel. At this time I raised my voice to say something like “you pulled the gear up.” The aircraft, with as much control as I could maintain, slid down the runway and came to a stop near the last third of runway 22. After the aircraft came to rest we secured and evacuated the aircraft.

It is my opinion that cause of the landing gear collapse was my first officer’s human error when he reached over and pulled the landing gear handle up.

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### **First Officer**

My name is Patrick Clark I was the First Officer for ERA Aviation on the beech 1900, on October 23, 2013 at 1530 local on flight 878 with Alyssa Hickerson as the Captain. After landing in Homer Alaska I started a after landing procedure, I went to retract the flaps and inadvertently raised the landing gear handle, the gear promptly retracted.