NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT his form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

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OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMA	TION							
Registered Aircraft Owner		City:						
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Operating Certificates Held (Check all that apply)	Regulation Flight Conducted Un	der Revenue Operation (Select one for each grou	for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135					
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ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEM	BERS (Excl	lusive of cabin cr	ew, complete	e the followi	ng information)		
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FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION									
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Country: USA			Country:			Activated?	OYes	ONo OUnknown	
Type of ATC Clearance/Serv	vice (Check all that a	apply)							
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DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT A	ND OTHER PRO	DPERTY								
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Description of Damage to Aircraft a	and Other Property (Use additional sheet if necessary)								
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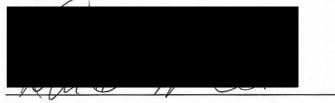
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Written Statement of

Daniel E. Miller

On Friday 2 August 2019 at about 3:30 pm Central time I was piloting N1767L- a Robinson R66 turbine helicopter- near 582 County Road 1650 in Vandalia, IL while conducting aerial application of liquid product on field corn. Sky conditions were clear as I recall; there was a slight wind out of the northeast and the OAT was in the low to mid 80's. I conducted a complete circumnavigation recon of the field at approximately 200 ft AGL prior to beginning aerial application to determine the location of obstacles and hazards in my theatre of operation. During this recon I noticed a three-phase powerline along the road bordering the north of the field. I also noticed a single-phase powerline that bordered the western edge of the field that came from the three-phase powerline on the northern border. Additionally, I noted a farm- consisting of a house, several barns and outbuildings- that was located in northern half of the field with a driveway to it from the road on the northern border. The field of corn to be sprayed was surrounding this farm on the north, south, east and west. After being satisfied I had observed all obstacles and hazards I proceeded to enter the field from the north and start spraying my "A/B line" on a south heading approximately 40 yards west of the western border of the farm property and east of the western edge of the field and single-phase powerline. I traveled on a south heading at about 70 mph and approximately 15 ft above the corn for approximately 300 yards and struck a powerline that crossed the field in an east/west line. I did not see the powerline that I struck on my recon flight or at any time before striking the wire. I maintained a straight and level attitude and turned off the spray boom. I initially started to land straight ahead in the corn field but the helicopter was still flying so I continued to fly the helicopter on a southwest heading to an area of grass behind a barn to the southwest of the wire strike approximately 470 yards. I performed a normal landing and completed a normal shut-down procedure.

4 August 2019



Daniel E. Miller

