

Page 001	Report Date 05/25/2017	Agency TROOP 2 STATE POLICE	Complaint Number 02-17-052975
Reported Date and Time Thu 05/25/2017 1155		Initial Crime Report	
Location: 147 Quigley Blvd, Rear Of Usps, New Castle, DE 19720 0.42 Miles Southeast of Dupont Pky		Occurred Thu 05/25/2017 1155	
M.O. and Incident Overview: Assist NTSB and the FAA with a helicopter crash.			
Grid 092 - 336	Sector 22	County New Castle	Domestic Related <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Gen Broadcast Sent? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		Gang Related? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Gun Related? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			

Victim Information

Victim Number 001	Name NTSB		
Type Government	Sex	Race	Ethnic Origin
Address 45065 Riverside Pky National Transportation Safety ASHBURN, VA 20147		Resident Status	Home Telephone (202) 314-6000
Reporting Person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		Victim Injured? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Deceased? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Officer Comments			

Crimes and Associated Information

Victim Number 001	Crime Seq 001	Statute	Crime Description Assist Other Agency
Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal	
General Offense			

Witness Information

Sequence 001	Type Not Interviewed	Name MURPHY, MICHAEL R	Sex Male	Race White	Age 37	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] FRANKLINVILLE, NJ 08322			Home Telephone [REDACTED]	Cell Phone	Work Phone	

Investigative Narrative

On Thursday May 25, 2017 Troop 2 Patrol Units were dispatched to the area of Quigley Boulevard and Route 13 for a report of an aircraft crash. Troop 2 units responded to the area and located a downed aircraft on fire in a ditch at the rear of the United States Postal Service building, 147 Quigley Boulevard, New Castle, Delaware. Several EMS and Fire units were simultaneously arriving on scene.

At approximately 1220 hours I arrived at the scene and made entry into the area of the scene. I then made contact with Captain Sawyer who instructed me to being to conduct witness interviews.

At approximately 135 hours, I made contact with witness Bryan Wagner WMN [REDACTED] who was waiting in 243K Quigley Boulevard. The crash site was located directly behind this building. W Wagner stated that he was at the rear of 259 Quigley Boulevard, Evoquia Water Tech, where he works. W Wagner explained that he heard an aircraft sputtering and then heard the engine noise increase. He then stated that the noise got louder and louder and he then saw it over the building coming down at almost a 90 degree angle. W Wagner stated that he only saw it for two seconds and did not hear it hit the ground, he just saw smoke rising up over the building. W Wagner then went towards the crash site and when he arrived he saw it on fire. W Wagner stated that the aircraft looked white or gray to him. W Wagner was unable to provide any further investigatory information.

I was then notified by Captain Sawyer that I would be the lead investigator for this incident and the liaison for the State Police.

Through information obtained on the scene by personnel from the Delaware Air Guard Fire Brigade, I was able to

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determine that the aircraft was a helicopter (EC 135) from Penn Star, with a tail number of N62UP. The aircraft was believed to have been from Atlantic City.

I then met with Wendell May, Aviation Site Manager for Metro Aviation assigned to Penn Star Flight. May explained that the aircraft was in fact a Penn Star helicopter from Atlantic City. May stated that the aircraft is owned by Penn Star and Metro Aviation supplies the pilots and the maintenance for the aircraft. May advised that the pilot was the sole occupant of the aircraft and identified him as Michael R Murphy WMN [REDACTED]. May advised that the pilot and aircraft were based out of Atlantic City International Airport, Signature Hangar. May went on to explain that he had spoken with Murphy earlier in the morning for approximately 10 minutes and he made no mention of the flight. May also explained that he did not understand why he would be flying in this weather doing training without a second pilot. May stated that he has never heard of anyone doing that, the normal practice for training flights is conducted with two pilots. May also did not know why Murphy was conducting the IFR (Instrument Flight Rules) training at Wilmington airport and stated that he could have done the same training at Atlantic City airport.

I then questioned May to obtain contact information for Murphy's family so the proper notifications could be made. May stated that the director of operations for Metro Aviation, Jim Arthur had already made the notification to family. May provided me with Arthur's contact information. I was able to speak with Arthur over the phone, he explained that he spoke with Murphy's father and advised him of the accident. Murphy's father explained to Arthur that he would notify Murphy's wife. Arthur was advised to inform the family that they would be receiving a call from victim services later in the day.

At approximately 1500 hours a meeting was conducted on site lead by Captain Sawyer. Agencies present were Delaware State Police, Goodwill Fire Company, New Castle County EMS, St Francis EMS, FAA, USPS. All agencies gave an update on their roles and actions up to this point.

At approximately 1600 hours I met with Chris Robinson from Goodwill Fire Company. He turned over several photographs from the scene shortly after their arrival.

I then spoke with Bob Drapala, the FAA Investigator. He explained that they would be waiting for an investigator from the NTSB to respond to the scene before any further actions would take place. He also advised that he would need to look at the scene and make documentations prior to moving the victim from the crash site. Drapala also explained that he would be making contact with a recovery crew to respond to the scene. He stated that they would be responsible for the cleanup and recovery of the aircraft. Drapala stated that he would make the notifications to the company.

I then spoke with Detective Harach and he stated that he would make the notifications to the Medical Examiners Office to retrieve the victim from the site. Harach also stated that he had made a notification to victim services at approximately 1418 hours.

I then again made contact with Drapala (FAA) at the scene. He advised that he had spoken with the representative from the NTSB and she had advised that the body could be recovered from the site and cleanup could begin. Drapala advised that Anglin Recovery would be responding to the scene and were enroute from Clayton, Delaware.

At approximately 1800 hours I met with John Speck USPS Investigator who turned over video surveillance from the USPS facility.

At approximately 1900 hours I made contact with NTSB Investigator Heidi Kemner. She advised that she would be the lead investigator for this incident. I explained to her that we had several pictures and surveillance videos from the scene and surrounding areas that I would be able to turn over to her in the near future.

Anglin Aircraft Recovery Services arrived on the scene and I made contact with JJ Anglin. She explained that her company would be conducting the recovery and cleanup of the accident site. She also briefly explained what areas she would be working in and what areas where we needed to maintain a perimeter.

I along with other DSP units cleared the scene at approximately 2345 hours.

On Tuesday May 30, 2017 at approximately 1030 hours, I met with Kemner (NTSB) at Troop 2 and turned over copies of the pictures and video surveillance from the scene.

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Detective Notified		Referred To	
Solvability	<input type="checkbox"/> Witness	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O.	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property
	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified
		<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified
			Status Closed

Supplemental Report

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Victim Number 001	Name NTSB					
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Address 490 SW L Enfant Plz WASHINGTON, DC 20594			Resident Status	Home Telephone (202) 314-6000	Cell Phone	Work Phone
Reporting Person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Injured? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Deceased? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Officer Comments			

Original Crime and Associated Information

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Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer		General Offense	
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal				

Investigative Narrative

On May 25, 2017 at approximately 1155hrs I responded to the above location in reference to a down aircraft. Upon my arrival, numerous other agencies were on scene including fire, ambulance and other police agencies. I observed black smoke rising from the area later determined to be the site of the crash. Upon my approach there were numerous people surrounding the scene. I assisted by interviewing individuals on scene.

Firstly, I made contact with PC1 - Patrick Reilly (wm [REDACTED]) who stated he worked at the USPS truck warehouse located approximately 75 North of the scene of the crash. Patrick stated he heard loud vibrations and a huge bang while he was working and he ran out to see what happened. Patrick observed flames rising from the scene of the crash, above the nearby trees surrounding the ditch.

I then made contact with PC2- Raymond Nowocin (wm [REDACTED]) who stated he also works at the USPS truck warehouse. Raymond confirmed he heard the vibrations before the loud bang. Raymond stated when he responded outside to the scene of the crash the flames were taller than the building (approximately 40 tall).

I then made contact with PC3 - Michael Chesney (wm [REDACTED]) who stated he was outside in a truck when he heard the bang and observed the flames. Michael stated he thought the vibration noise was coming from his truck until he heard the explosion. Michael stated he believed there was two loud bangs , one from the impact and a secondary explosion.

After making contact with the above individuals I made contact with W1 - James Linsey (wm [REDACTED]) who stated he was in the front of the USPS building when he heard the vibration sound and when he looked up he observed a helicopter overtop of same. James stated it was only a matter of two seconds, however he observed the aircraft spinning down from out of the clouds in an upside down nose dive. James stated from his point of view he could see the cock-pit of a mostly white aircraft, with red and blue trim.

After interviewing PC1,2,3,and W1, I began a crime scene log (beginning at 1225hrs, and ending at 1257) located at the Southeast entrance of the USPS property.

The following fire/EMS companies responded to the scene:

Odessa FD (1 truck), Christiana FD (4 trucks), Wilmington Manor FD (1 ladder truck, 2 ambulances), Port Penn FD (1 engine, 1 chief s vehicle), Goodwill FD (1 engine, 1 ambulance), And Air National Guard (3 trucks).

The following New Castle County EMS responded to the scene:

EMS1 - Chief Tan, EMS2 - a/c Logemann, EMS3 - a/c Allston, EMS 4 Capt. Gwezian, ALS16 - s/Lt. Hitchens, ALS13 - Lt. Johnson, ALS26 - Sgt. Small, ALS22 - Sgt. Kennard, ALS18 - Lt Russ, Medic2C - PFC O Boyle & Cpl. Short.

After being relieved of my post by Lt. Greer, I made contact with the Air National Guardsman who was one of the first trucks on scene. The Guardsman stated the Aircraft belonged to Pennstar which was located in Atlantic City, NJ. Same Guardsman relayed to me the tail number, #N62UP, off of a seemingly intact portion of the aircraft once the fire was extinguished.

I then responded to the parking lot immediately Southwest of the scene to conduct scene security with Cpl Mock. Myself and Cpl Mock conducted scene security from approximately 1315hrs until Cpl Mock was relieved at approximately 1815hrs. During which time myself and Cpl Mock documented owners and vehicles damaged in connection to the incident. Vehicles were located in the front and side parking lot of Fulfillment Center Services at the time of the incident (243 Quigley Blvd, New Castle DE). All damaged vehicles were documented and the information was relayed to John W. Cooley Jr. of J.W. Cooley & Associates ([REDACTED] Downingtown PA, Phone# [REDACTED] via email.

At approximately 1815hrs, I responded to the rear of 243 Quigley Blvd to maintain scene security until relieved at approximately 2000hrs. At this point, I had no further involvement in the investigation.

No further action taken at this time.

Reporting Officer TPR RICKETTS - 01775 1		Pending Supervisory Review	
Detective Notified		Referred To	
Solvability	<input type="checkbox"/> Witness	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O.	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property
	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified
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Original Crime and Associated Information

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Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal			

Witness Information

Sequence 001	Type Witness	Name SMITH, EUGENE J	Sex Male	Race White	Age 76	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address Wilmington, DE 19808			Home Telephone	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
[REDACTED]			[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	
Sequence 002	Type Witness	Name HICKS, JAMES OLIVER	Sex Male	Race	Age 54	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address Wilmington, DE 19807			Home Telephone	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
[REDACTED]			[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	
Employer/School AIRCRAFTERS, INC. 259 Quigley Blvd Suites 12-18 New Castle, DE 19720			Work Telephone [REDACTED]			
Sequence 003	Type Person Contacted	Name TONEY, ANGELA LOUISE	Sex Female	Race White	Age 56	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address New Castle, DE 19720			Home Telephone	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
[REDACTED]			[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	
Sequence 004	Type Witness	Name CARTER, JOHN PETER	Sex Male	Race White	Age 32	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address Bear, DE 19701			Home Telephone	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
[REDACTED]			[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	
Employer/School FIRST STATE FLEET SERVICE [REDACTED] New Castle, DE 19720			Work Telephone [REDACTED]			

Investigative Narrative

Reporting Officer CPL MCDERBY - 11416 2	Pending Supervisory Review
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Investigator: Det. Strecker #429
Supplement by: Det. McDerby #1416

On TH 05/25/17, I responded to the area of the United States Post Service (USPS) facility located at 147 Quigley Boulevard in New Castle, DE (NCC) in reference to a reported aircraft crash. I arrived on Quigley Boulevard at 1244 hours.

At 1248 hours, I entered the scene which was marked by yellow police tape near the south entrance to the USPS facility from Quigley Boulevard. Numerous fire apparatus and emergency vehicles were on scene. I noted the strong odor of fuel and smoke in the air, however the fire was extinguished prior to my arrival. Emergency personnel were using orange spray paint to mark the extensive debris in the area.

I was informed by Sgt. Lloyd #495 that witnesses were waiting inside a nearby office to be interviewed. I was then directed to Fulfillment Center Services at 243K Quigley Boulevard and contacted W-Eugene Smith (WMN [REDACTED]). I conducted an interview with W-Smith at 1252 hours. The interview was conducted in a small, private office. W-Smith is employed by Emory Hill Property Management, the owner of the Quigley Boulevard properties. W-Smith advised that he cleans the exterior of the buildings along Quigley Boulevard every Thursday. W-Smith advised that prior to the crash, W-Smith was working on the other side of building 245. W-Smith heard that the sounds of the helicopter blades rattling louder and louder; seemed like it wasn't getting the right amount of gas or something. W-Smith could hear the helicopter approaching and looked toward the airport. W-Smith did not see the helicopter but then saw the smoke from the crash site. W-Smith then described that he was not facing the direction of the crash site at the time of the crash. W-Smith stated that he works 8-hours every Thursday at this location and has heard hundreds of aircraft fly overhead. W-Smith stated that this was just a different noise than I've heard before. This one sounded like it was in trouble like a loud rattling noise. The interview concluded at 1259 hours.

I then contacted Cpl. Austin, Enforcement Officer with DNREC Environmental Protection. Cpl. Austin advised that as he was arriving on scene, he contacted a white male witness from Aircrafters, Inc. at 259 Quigley Boulevard. Cpl. Austin was unable to interview the witness at that time. I responded to Aircrafters, Inc. at 259 Quigley Boulevard (Suites 12-18) and contacted W-James Hicks (WMN [REDACTED]). I interviewed W-Hicks privately in his office. W-Hicks advised that his company distributes commercial aircraft wheels and brakes worldwide and has witnessed two previous aircraft crashes. W-Hicks advised that he was sitting in his office and heard the sound of the rotor blades approaching and described the sound as a helicopter in distress. W-Hicks could not hear the sound of the turbines and stated it did not sound like it was trying to auto-rotate. W-Hicks advised that when a helicopter is on final approach, you hear a much cleaner sound of the blades cutting through the air; however this was a struggle; a whop, whop, whop. W-Hicks advised that his wife saw the smoke and he ran to the scene. W-Hicks advised that he approached the scene as far as the point of the grass line along west edge of the crash site. W-Hicks advised that he approached the gully where the fuselage was and looked for survivors. At that point, W-Hicks was unable to tell if the debris was a helicopter or airplane based on the extent of the damage but did observe one rotor blade and the blue/white paint scheme of the aircraft. W-Hicks advised that the aircraft then exploded again and he stepped back. W-Hicks described the explosion as the final vapor of the fuel tank exploding. W-Hicks estimated based on the sound that the helicopter was on approach to the airport. What struck W-Hicks was that there was no sound of the turbine and the aircraft was in trouble. W-Hicks never saw any movement from a survivor and he was unable to determine the orientation of the aircraft and location of the cockpit. W-Hicks then kept witnesses away from scene so as not to disturb the debris field. W-Hicks declined to speak with Victim Services. The interview concluded at 1334 hours.

I attempted to contact other witnesses at businesses in Building 259 without success.

At 1401 hours, Capt. Sawyer #102 dispatched me to First State Fleet Service located at 100 Carroll Drive for a witness interview. NI-Angela Toney (WFN [REDACTED]) reported that employees had witnessed the crash. I then contacted employee W-John P. Carter (WMN [REDACTED]) and interviewed him in the heavy truck servicing bay at 1414 hours. W-Carter advised that he was standing in the breezeway outside of the servicing bay. W-Carter advised that he heard a helicopter and looked across the field toward Quigley Boulevard (approximately .5 mile distance). W-Carter looked and saw it dart straight down toward the ground. W-Carter then heard the explosion and saw the smoke from the crash site. Using his hands to demonstrate the position of the helicopter, W-Carter stated that nose of the helicopter was down at least a 45 degree angle. W-Carter stated that he observed the right profile of the helicopter prior to impact and only observed the helicopter drop straight down. W-Carter described hearing the engine shut off and a wisp in the air, followed by a pop and W-Carter then saw smoke from the area the helicopter went down. W-Carter was unable to provide further details. The interview concluded at 1419 hours. Additional employees reported hearing the crash and seeing smoke but were determined not to have seen the helicopter prior to impact.

No further action taken on that date.

A copy of field notes were attached to this supplement and provided to Det. Strecker on 05/26/17.

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Detective Notified		Referred To	
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Witness Information

Sequence 005	Type Person Contacted	Name DIPPOLD, WAYNE P	Sex Male	Race White	Age 43	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Middletown, DE 19709			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone	
Employer/School ACTION UNLIMYED RESOURCES 230 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720			Work Telephone			

Sequence 006	Type Person Contacted	Name LAVERTY, KEITH R	Sex Male	Race White	Age 59	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Middletown, DE 19709			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone	
Employer/School BENTLEY TRUCK SERVICES 258 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720			Work Telephone			

Sequence 007	Type Person Contacted	Name HICKS, ROBERT K	Sex Male	Race White	Age 37	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Wilmington, DE 19803			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone	
Employer/School INTEGRITY TEST LABS 258 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720			Work Telephone			

Sequence 008	Type Person Contacted	Name CUZA-LAIRD, ALISON	Sex Female	Race White	Age 57	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] ELKTON, MD 21921			Home Telephone	Cell Phone	Work Phone [REDACTED]	

Employer/School TOWER BUSINESS SYSTEMS 278 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720	Work Telephone [REDACTED]
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Sequence 009	Type Person Contacted	Name COLLINS, JEFF	Sex Male	Race White	Age 55	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Wilmington, DE 19808			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone	

Employer/School CARRIER 276 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720	Work Telephone
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Sequence 010	Type Person Contacted	Name ABBOTT, SUSAN	Sex Female	Race White	Age 57	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Newark, DE 19702			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone	

Employer/School EUROFINS QC LABS 272 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720	Work Telephone
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Sequence 011	Type Witness	Name BAILEY, IAN	Sex Male	Race Black/African American	Age 33	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] New Castle, DE 19720			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone	

Employer/School VETERANS CABLE 282 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720	Work Telephone
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Sequence 012	Type Person Contacted	Name HIRST, TERESA M	Sex Female	Race White	Age 50	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Bear, DE 19701			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone	

Employer/School JDH INTERNATIONAL 280 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720	Work Telephone
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Sequence 013	Type Person Contacted	Name BROWN, TROY	Sex Male	Race Black/African American	Age 41	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, PA 19352			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone	

Investigative Narrative

Investigating Trooper: Detective Strecker #429

Writer's 1st supplement

On Thursday 05/25/2017 writer responded to the area of Quigley Boulevard reference an aircraft that had crashed in the area while apparently attempting to land at the New Castle airport. Writer responded along with multiple Troop 2 Criminal Investigation Unit (CIU) members who all posted in the 200 block of Quigley Boulevard, not far from the crash scene. Writer, along with several other CIU members, was instructed to contact neighboring businesses to ascertain if any employees from the various businesses along Quigley Boulevard observed or heard anything. Writer began on the south side of Quigley Boulevard and work westbound making contact with different businesses and employees, noted below.

Action Unlimited Resources

230 Quigley Blvd
New Castle, DE 19720
[REDACTED]

PC: Dippold, Wayne WMN43 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Middletown, DE 19709
[REDACTED]

PC Dippold advised that he was in the office of the business, located toward the rear of the building, when he heard a sound that sounded like an explosion. He stated that he ran outside and observed black smoke coming from the area just east of his location and assumed there was a crash of some sort. He stated that he did not observe anything nor did anyone else in the building. PC Dippold did advise that a customer was in there around the time of the crash and provided the name of Troy Brown, number of [REDACTED] as that customer. Writer contacted PC Brown who advised that he was not there and did not witness anything. PC Brown advised that there is another subject who he works with that people confuse him with who PC Dippold may be talking about. Writer left name and number for that person to contact me if he was in fact at Action Unlimited during the time of this crash.

Bentley Truck Services
244 Quigley Blvd
New Castle, DE 19720
[REDACTED]

PC: Laverty, Keith WMN59 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Middletown, DE 19709
[REDACTED]

PC Laverty stated that he heard the aircraft flying overhead and it sounded out of the ordinary to him, specifying that it sounded like a single rotor engine or half roar on the helicopter. HE advised that there was no even pitch and he could hear that something was not right with the helicopter and then he heard the crash. PC Laverty did not observe anything and could not provide any additional information. He further advised that nobody else in the building observed anything.

Integrity Test Labs
[REDACTED]

New Castle, DE 19720
[REDACTED]

PC: Hicks, Robert WMN37 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Wilmington, DE 19803
[REDACTED]

PC Hicks advised that he was in his office located in the middle of the building, closer to the front, and he heard what he thought was an unusual aviation noise fly overhead, but he never heard a crash or the impact of the helicopter. It was not until several minutes later when word began to spread what happened did he realize what he may have heard. PC Hicks advised that he did not observe anything nor did anyone else in the building and he could not provide any additional information.

Tower Business Systems
278 Quigley Blvd
New Castle, DE 19720
[REDACTED]

PC: Cuza-Laird, Alison WFN57 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Elkton, MD 21921
[REDACTED]

PC Cuza-Laird advised that she did not hear or see anything nor did anyone else inside of the building.

Carrier
276 Quigley Blvd
New Castle, DE 19720
[REDACTED]

PC: Collins, Jeff WMN55 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Wilmington, DE 19808
[REDACTED]

PC Collins advised that he had just returned from lunch from Taco Bell and had just parked. He stated that he heard a low aircraft and he remembers thinking it sounded weird, like when kids used to put a baseball card in their bike spokes, and then he heard a thud and knew something crashed. PC Collins saw the smoke but he never saw the helicopter because he thinks that he is used to the aircraft flying in a more south to north direction when they fly overtop of his location toward the airport, but this one he thinks was more west to east possibly which is why he never observed it. PC Collins advised that even though he didn't see the helicopter, he knew it sounded strange and was flying lower than normal before it crashed. He advised that he was the only one in the business and he could not provide anything further.

Eurofins QC Labs
272 Quigley Blvd
New Castle, DE 19720
[REDACTED]

PC: Abbott, Sue WFN57 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Newark, DE 19702
[REDACTED]

PC Abbott stated that she was inside of the business and she heard a strange noise, but nothing else. She stated that it's not uncommon to hear strange noises with the airport across the street and the different aircrafts flying overhead, and she is not sure the noise she heard is even related to the crash. She advised that she did not observe anything nor did anyone else inside of the building, and she could not provide anything additional.

Electronics Exchange
Veterans Cable
[REDACTED]
New Castle, DE 19720
[REDACTED]

PC: Bailey Ian BMN33 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

PC Bailey stated that he was just pulling out of Wawa on Route 13, across from Quigley Boulevard, after getting lunch and he was stopped at the entrance/exit attempting to turn right onto Route 13 south. PC Bailey stated that he happened to look up for whatever reason and saw the helicopter do a straight nose dive down. He stated that he never saw it flying prior to going down and he happened to just look up as it went straight down. PC Bailey stated that he could not tell where exactly on Quigley Boulevard it went down and even became concerned, thinking that it possibly landed on his building and he knew other people were inside. He could not offer any other information other than what he observed in just those few seconds. PC Bailey also advised that nobody else inside heard or observed anything.

Terminix
284 Quigley Blvd
New Castle, DE 19720

Business is vacant.

JDH International
 280 Quigley Blvd
 New Castle, DE 19720
 [REDACTED]

PC: Hirst, Teresa WFN50 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 Bear, DE 19701
 [REDACTED]

PC Hirst stated that she heard what sounded like a large truck and it sounded like it was real close to the building but she did not think anything else of it until she heard of the helicopter crash. PC Hirst stated, like many people along Quigley Blvd, that it is not uncommon to hear loud and strange noises with the aircrafts flying overhead and there was nothing terribly out of the ordinary other than it sounded a little closer to the building and a little louder. PC Hirst advised that nobody else in the building observed or heard anything and she could not provide any additional information.

After contacting these several businesses (several other CIU investigators conducted interviews at different locations, refer to said supplements) writer responded back to the area of the crash scene where Lt. Greer advised a large majority of us to clear the scene. Writer took no further action.

Reporting Officer DET RIZZO - 00236 3		Pending Supervisory Review	
Detective Notified		Referred To	
Solvability	<input type="checkbox"/> Witness	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O.	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property
	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified
		<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified
			Status

Supplemental Report

Original Occurrence Dates and Times Thu 05/25/2017 1155	Grid 092 - 336	Sector 22
Original Location 147 Quigley Blvd, Rear Of Usps, New Castle, DE 19720 0.42 Miles Southeast of Dupont Pky		

Original Victim Information

Victim Number 001	Name NTSB				
Type Government	Sex	Race	Ethnic Origin	Age	D.O.B
Address 490 SW L Enfant Plz WASHINGTON, DC 20594		Resident Status	Home Telephone (202) 314-6000	Cell Phone	Work Phone
Reporting Person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Injured? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Deceased? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Officer Comments		

Original Crime and Associated Information

Victim Number 001	Crime Seq 001	Statute	Crime Description Assist Other Agency		
Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer		General Offense
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal			

Witness Information

Sequence 013	Type Person Contacted	Name ALLEN , MARK	Sex Male	Race White	Age 57	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED]			Home Telephone [REDACTED]	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
Sequence 014	Type Person Contacted	Name LEE , MICHELLE	Sex Female	Race Asian	Age 39	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED]			Home Telephone [REDACTED]	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
Sequence 015	Type Person Contacted	Name HERNANDEZ , MAYRA	Sex Female	Race White	Age 24	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED]			Home Telephone [REDACTED]	Cell Phone	Work Phone	

Investigative Narrative

Original Investigating Officer: Det. Strecker

On 05/25/17 at approximately 1258hrs, I arrived in the area of 147 Quigley Blvd in reference to an aviation collision that had occurred at that location. Shortly after arrival, I was tasked with canvassing for potential witnesses or surveillance video in reference to this investigation. After receiving said instructions, I made contact with the following subjects: Mark Allen [REDACTED] employee of MHS Lift of Delaware (243 Quigley Blvd, Suite H); Michelle Lee [REDACTED] employee of Rising Sun Contractors Inc (243 Quigley Blvd, Suite A); and Mayra Hernandez [REDACTED], employee of Rising Sun Contractors Inc (243 Quigley Blvd, Suite A). It should be noted that said businesses were located directly to the west of the collision scene.

Each of the above subjects advised that they only heard a loud sound above their building followed by the sound/sensation of a collision moments later. There were no specific sounds noted by the contacted subjects.

Allen advised that MHS Lift of Delaware was equipped with a surveillance system, however, same only captured the interior of the business.

Lee advised that Rising Sun Contractors Inc was equipped with a surveillance system which captured both the interior and exterior of the business, to include the rear loading dock area of same. Upon review of the system, I located no footage of the incident due to camera positioning and scene obstruction.

Attempts were made to contact employees of FWC Communications (243 Quigley Blvd, Suite J), however, the business was unoccupied at the time of this investigation. It was further determined that FWC Communications is equipped with a surveillance camera in the rear of the business which is oriented towards the scene of the collision, however, the status of the surveillance system is unknown due to a lack of employee contact.

Following the above actions, I assisted with scene security until being released from the scene by Sgt. Gardner on 05/25/17 at approximately 1717hrs.

No further action at this time.

Reporting Officer DET PANTALONE - 01131 4		Supervisor Approval Evan G Holmes PSPT266 05/30/2017	
Detective Notified		Referred To	
Solvability	<input type="checkbox"/> Witness <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified
			Status

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Reporting Person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Injured? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Deceased? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Officer Comments			

Original Crime and Associated Information

Victim Number 001	Crime Seq 001	Statute	Crime Description Assist Other Agency			
Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer		General Offense	
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal				

Witness Information

Sequence 016	Type Witness	Name WAGNER, ERIC MARK		Sex Male	Race White	Age 39	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Middletown, DE 19709			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone [REDACTED]		
Employer/School EVOQUA WATER TECH 259 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720				Work Telephone [REDACTED]			

Investigative Narrative

On Thursday, 05/25/17, I responded to Quigley Boulevard regarding an aircraft emergency. During my response I learned a helicopter crashed in the area of the United States Post Office. Upon arrival I responded to the command post and contacted Captain P. Sawyer and Lt. M. Greer. I was instructed to respond to an adjacent office building and contact potential witnesses. Detective Strecker and I responded to the building at 243 Quigley Boulevard to contact witnesses. Upon arrival I contacted witness Eric Wagner. I interviewed Eric Wagner inside a conference room of the office complex. At approximately 1252 hours I sat down with Eric. Eric stated he is employed by Evoqua Water Tech at 259 Quigley Boulevard. Eric reported he was standing outside with his brother (Bryan) when he started hearing weird pops and bangs coming from the air. Eric advised he looked to the area where he heard the noises and saw something drop out of the sky. Eric described the object as a large possibly white object. Eric responded to the crash scene and the object was engulfed in flames. Eric subsequently called 911. Eric was unable to do anything else do to the fire. Eric did not have any further information to provide. I contacted Lt. Greer who did not have any further assignments to be completed. No further action at this time.

Reporting Officer SGT LLOYD - 00495 5	Pending Supervisory Review			
Detective Notified	Referred To			
Solvability <input type="checkbox"/> Witness <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified	Status

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Original Crime and Associated Information

Victim Number 001	Crime Seq 001	Statute	Crime Description Assist Other Agency		
Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer		General Offense
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal			

Witness Information

Sequence 017	Type Witness	Name LINSEY , JAMES		Sex Male	Race White	Age 53	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address Dover, 19904			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone		
Employer/School UNITED STATES POST OFFICE 147 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720				Work Telephone			

Investigative Narrative

Supplement #6 created by Det. Tenebruso #432 (2/CIU)

Original Investigating Officer: Det. Strecker #429 (2/CIU)

On Thursday 05/25/17 at approximately 1315 hours I responded to a helicopter crash in the area of 147 Quigley Boulevard in New Castle, Delaware. Upon my arrival I observed that the helicopter crash was in the area of a drainage ditch located just West of the United States Post Office property. Upon my arrival I also observed that fire board had extinguished the fire at and around the wreckage. There was a large number of emergency personnel at and around the wreckage. Next, I attempted to locate and interview any witnesses in the area.

At 1324 hours I contacted the following witness:

James M. Linsey (wmm [REDACTED])
[REDACTED]
Dover, DE 19904
cell: [REDACTED]

James Linsey was contacted in the area of the United States Post Office Vehicle Maintenance Facility (VMF). James Linsey stated that he was in the parking lot of the Vehicle Maintenance Facility (East side) when he observed the helicopter crash nearby. James Linsey stated that he would show me his exact location at the time of

the crash at which time we walked to the exact area where he was standing when he observed the helicopter crash. We proceeded to walk to the East side of the VMF building parking lot. Next, James Linsey stated that he had exited his vehicle between 1140 and 1150 hours and was preparing to go to lunch. James Linsey was parked approximately 75 feet East of the building. As James Linsey was walking towards the building he heard what he described as a "jet motor sound". He advised that the jet motor "did not sound right". He described the sound as having a "concussion in the air" which he could feel against his chest. He stated that he looked up and observed the helicopter crash on the other side of the VMF. He stated that he observed the top of the helicopter as it plummeted to the ground on a 45 degree angle. He stated that the helicopter fell at a high rate of speed which he described as "like a rocket" and "very fast". James Linsey recalled observing the helicopter to be white, red with a "little bit of blue" in color.

Next, James Linsey stated that he had prior military experience and has been around helicopters in the past. Just prior to the accident he compared the sound of the motor to that of a World War 2 long range Japanese bomb but could not recall the name of the bomb. He advised that the helicopter came from behind him (the East) and did not observe any smoke and/or fire just prior to the collision. He stated that he did not recall seeing the helicopter blades prior to the collision and whether they were attached, spinning or not spinning. Furthermore, James Linsey stated that he could not see any persons inside the helicopter prior to the crash. After the collision, James Linsey stated that he immediately ran around to the other side of the building (West side) at which time he observed a lot of smoke and a small fire. He advised that he could not get close to the crash site due to the smoke and fire. He stated that as time passed the fire grew in size. He stated that he observed small pieces of debris around the wreckage that were on fire as well. He recalled hearing someone yell to call 911. He stated that did not call 911 to report the accident. The interview with James Linsey ended at 1340 hours.

While at the scene I made contact with the Clinical Coordinator for Penn Star:
Tom Levins

██████████
Langhorn, PA 19047
Cell: ██████████
Main Office: ██████████ (Montgomery County Office)

Tom Levins stated that he is employed by the University of Pennsylvania Health System Penn Star Flight and works as the Clinical Coordinator. Tom Levins stated advised that the helicopter that crashed was an EC135 P-2 2006 Airbus. He advised that the tail number on the helicopter was N62UP and that the helicopter was based out of Atlantic City International Airport. He stated that the helicopter had left from Atlantic City International Airport and was going to the New Castle County Airport. He stated that he received a call about the helicopter crash through the Montgomery County Office and immediately responded to Delaware.

Next, I made contact with Det. Strecker and informed him that I was able to make contact with one witness. I also informed him that I had contacted an employee of Penn Star.

On 05/29/17 I provided Det. Strecker with a copy of this supplement as well as a copy of my field notes.

No further action taken.

Reporting Officer DET TENEBRUSO - 10432 6		Pending Supervisory Review		
Detective Notified		Referred To		
Solvability	<input type="checkbox"/> Witness	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O.	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named
	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified
				Status

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Original Crime and Associated Information

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Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer		General Offense
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal			

Witness Information

Sequence 018	Type Witness	Name MAIER, STEPHANIE J	Sex Female	Race White	Age 34	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Clayton, DE 19938			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer/School FIRST CHOICE HOME MEDICAL EQUI 259 Quigley Blvd Suite #1 New Castle, DE 19720			Work Telephone [REDACTED]			
Sequence 019	Type Witness	Name JEFFERIS, JAMIE M	Sex Female	Race White	Age 32	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Newark, DE 19702			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer/School FIRST CHOICE HOME MEDICAL EQUI 259 Quigley Blvd Suite #1 New Castle, DE 19720			Work Telephone [REDACTED]			

Investigative Narrative

On THU 05/25/17, I responded to the area of 147 Quigley Blvd, New Castle, DE 19720, in reference to an aviation collision that had occurred at that location. Upon my arrival, I assisted with canvassing the area for potential witnesses to the incident. I contacted the following businesses for witnesses with negative results:

Fulfillment Center Services
243-K Quigley Blvd, New Castle, DE 19720

White Optics
243-G Quigley Blvd, New Castle, DE 19720

Triangle Fastener Corporation
243-C Quigley Blvd, New Castle, DE 19720

Liberty Fellowship Church
245-J Quigley Blvd, New Castle, DE 19720

I then responded to First Choice Home Medical Equipment, located at 259 Quigley Blvd, Suite #1, New Castle, DE 19720. Upon arriving at this location, I contacted WIT/Maier, Stephanie (WF [REDACTED]). WIT/Maier stated that she is an employee of First Choice Home Medical Equipment. WIT/Maier stated that she was exiting the front entrance of the business shortly before noon to go on her break. WIT/Maier stated that when she opened the entrance door, she heard a loud noise that sounded like a muffler. WIT/Maier stated that when she looked up, she saw an object fly over her building and then over the building just north of her location (Liberty Fellowship Church, 245-J Quigley Blvd, New Castle, DE 19720). WIT/Maier stated that the object flew over to fast for her to be able to determine what the object was. WIT/Maier stated that once the object flew over Liberty Fellowship Church, it disappeared. WIT/Maier stated that the next thing she saw was smoke. WIT/Maier stated that she is used to planes traveling over her location while she is at work, however, this time, it sounded different. WIT/Maier could not provide any further information in reference to the incident. WIT/Maier did state that one of her co-workers also witnessed the incident, however, her co-worker was currently at lunch. WIT/Maier stated that her co-workers name is Jamie. I informed WIT/Maier that I would respond back later to interview Jamie.

After interviewing WIT/Maier, I assisted with scene security until being released at approximately 1500 hours.

At approximately 1505 hours, prior to leaving the scene, I returned to First Choice Medical Equipment and contacted WIT/ Jefferis, Jamie (WF [REDACTED]). WIT/Jefferis stated that shortly before noon, her co-worker, WIT/Maier, stepped outside to take a break. WIT/Jefferis stated that when WIT/Maier opened the entrance door, she heard a loud noise that sounded like a motor. WIT/Jefferis stated that she got up from her desk at that time and ran to the entrance door. WIT/Jefferis stated that once she arrived at the entrance door, she looked up and saw an object over top of Liberty Fellowship Church, 245-J Quigley Blvd, New Castle, DE 19720. WIT/Jefferis stated that the next thing she saw was smoke. WIT/Jefferis described the noise she heard to be extremely loud. WIT/Jefferis could not provide any further information in reference to the incident.

After interviewing WIT/Jefferis, no further action was taken on my part.

Statement of Witness 018 - MAIER , STEPHANIE J

See narrative section for details.

Statement of Witness 019 - JEFFERIS , JAMIE M

See narrative section for details.

Reporting Officer SGT HOLMES - 00266 7		Pending Supervisory Review	
Detective Notified		Referred To	
Solvability	<input type="checkbox"/> Witness	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O.	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property
	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified
		<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified
			Status Closed

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Reporting Person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Injured? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Deceased? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Officer Comments			

Original Crime and Associated Information

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Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer		General Offense	
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal				

Witness Information

Sequence 020	Type Person Contacted	Name SAMBUCO , PHILIP	Sex Male	Race White	Age 38	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address WEST CHESTER, PA 19382			Home Telephone	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
Employer/School DUIE PYLE 204 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720			Work Telephone			

Sequence 021	Type Person Contacted	Name CARON , PAM	Sex Female	Race White	Age 46	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address OXFORD, PA 19363			Home Telephone	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
Employer/School DUIE PYLE 204 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720			Work Telephone			

Sequence 022	Type Person Contacted	Name SCHEFFLE , BEN	Sex Male	Race White	Age 37	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address WEST CHESTER, PA 19382			Home Telephone	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
Employer/School DUIE PYLE			Work Telephone			

Sequence 023	Type Person Contacted	Name MOORE , PAMELA J	Sex Female	Race White	Age 57	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address Narvon, PA 17555			Home Telephone	Cell Phone	Work Phone	

Employer/School DUIE PYLE PA		Work Telephone [REDACTED]				
Sequence 024	Type Person Contacted	Name HOFFMAN, SCOTT D	Sex Male	Race White	Age 47	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Landenberg, PA 19350		Home Telephone		Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer/School DUI PYLE 204 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720		Work Telephone [REDACTED]				
Sequence 025	Type Person Contacted	Name MATTEO, MARIA	Sex Female	Race White	Age 60	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] PEDRICKTOWN, NJ 08067		Home Telephone		Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer/School DUIE PYLE 204 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720		Work Telephone [REDACTED]				
Sequence 026	Type Person Contacted	Name MONGIELLO, MICHAEL	Sex Male	Race White	Age 44	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Wilmington, DE 19804		Home Telephone		Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer/School BLUE FIN SERVICES 196 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720		Work Telephone [REDACTED]				
Sequence 027	Type Person Contacted	Name CARSON, CHARLES A	Sex Male	Race White	Age 43	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Camden Wyoming, DE 19934		Home Telephone		Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer/School RAVEN CRANE 196 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720		Work Telephone [REDACTED]				
Sequence 028	Type Person Contacted	Name JACKSON, STEVE	Sex Male	Race White	Age 31	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Wilmington, DE 19808		Home Telephone		Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer/School RAVEN CRANE 196 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720		Work Telephone [REDACTED]				
Sequence 029	Type Person Contacted	Name PIERCE, DEBBIE	Sex Female	Race White	Age 56	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Wilmington, DE 19808		Home Telephone		Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer/School RAVEN CRANE 196 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE 19720		Work Telephone [REDACTED]				

Investigative Narrative

Supplemental Report: Cpl. Strecker is the original investigator.

On Thursday, 05-25-17 at approximately 1300 hours, I responded to a helicopter crash in the area of 259 Quigley Blvd, New Castle, DE. Upon arrival, I was briefed by Lt. Millard Greer who requested a canvas of local business be conducted.

I responded to the neighboring businesses south of the crash site. At 1327 hours, I responded to Duie Pyle, 204 Quigley Blvd., New Castle, DE, directly south of 259 Quigley Blvd. and contacted the below listed employees.

Philip Sambuco WMN [REDACTED]
Employee of Duie Pyle 204 Quigley Blvd, New Castle, DE, 19720
Business: [REDACTED]
Residence: [REDACTED] West Chester, PA. 19382
Cell: [REDACTED]

He advised that he and several other co-workers were within the main office area of the business at approximately 1200-1230 hours, when he heard an aircraft overhead that sounded out of the ordinary. He said that he recalled hearing a sputter, stall and then what sounded like the motor re-engaging. As he was hearing these noises, he felt a vibration and felt the entire business shake.

Pam Caron WFN [REDACTED]
Employee of Duie Pyle 204 Quigley Blvd., New Castle, DE 19720
Business: [REDACTED]
Residence: [REDACTED] Oxford, PA 19363
Cell: [REDACTED]

Caron was interviewed inside the business office area at 1330 hours. She stated that she is a customer service rep at the company and was seated at her desk on the East side of the business next to a window. She advised that she has been working at this location for several years and is accustomed to the sounds of aircrafts flying overhead, landing and taking off. Initially, she believed she was hearing what she thought was a prop plane, but quickly realized it was not and that something was wrong. She said that the entire building shook and the sounds she was hearing told her that it wasn't running properly. She recalled hearing a sputtering, then feeling a vibration, and felt like the roof was shaking. She said the sounds were much lower than normal. She thought the direction of travel was from the south to north. She said that the sound was so much closer than what she would usually hear when aircraft were overhead. She glanced into the parking lot but saw nothing. She then immediately called 911 as co-workers ran outside and advised her that something had crashed.

Ben Scheffel WMN DOB [REDACTED]
Employee of Duie Pyle West Chester Office
Office: [REDACTED]
Residence: [REDACTED] West Chester, PA
Cell: [REDACTED]

He was interviewed while in the office area of 204 Quigley Blvd. His statement was consistent with Caron's statement.

He further advised that once he heard a loud crashing noise, he quickly ran outside, hollered back into Caron to call 911 because something was on fire. He said he observed black smoke rising behind the building across the street. He ran over to the parking lot near the crash site to see if he could be of assistance; however, as he neared the side lot, he discovered it was too hot, and he also observed a leaking propane tank on its side, so he erred on the cautious side and went no further. He recalled seeing dust, dirt, leaves, and branches beginning to settle back to the ground; smelling the fuel, but hearing no sounds from the crash site.

Pam Moore WFN [REDACTED]
Employee of Duie Pyle West Chester
Office: [REDACTED]
Cell: [REDACTED]

She concurred with Caron and Scheffel could offer no investigative information.

Scott Hoffman WMN DOB [REDACTED]
Employee of Duie Pyle was in warehouse at time of crash
[REDACTED] New Castle, DE, 19720
Office: [REDACTED]
Residence: [REDACTED] Landenberg, PA 19350
Cell: [REDACTED]

He stated that he has also worked at this location for several years and is also accustomed to the sounds of air traffic. He advised that he was in the adjoining warehouse with a bay door open when he heard rumbling that he characterized as different than normal. He said it sounded like the aircraft's propellers were not working. He compared the sounds to those of a car stalling, sputtering. He said that he heard it hit and knew it was close. He ran out of the building with Sambuco and Scheffel toward the crash scene. He said as they neared the crash site, it was just too hot, plus they saw the leaking propane tank and were concerned about another explosion. He said

there was no sound coming from the crash site.

Maria Matteo WFN DOB [REDACTED]
 Employee of Dui Pyle 204 Quigley Blvd., New Castle, DE 19720
 Office: [REDACTED]
 Residence: [REDACTED] Pedricktown, NJ, 08067
 Cell: [REDACTED]

Matteo advised that she was at the North end of the building and didn't think anything unusual was occurring.

At approximately 1400 hours, employees at 196 Quigley Blvd., New Castle, DE 19720 were contacted. I was advised that three businesses operate jointly out of this address: Blue Fin Services/ Aasco Equipment/ Raven Crane.

Mike Mongiello WMN [REDACTED]
 Residence: [REDACTED] Wilmington, DE 19804
 Cell: [REDACTED]

Mongiello advised that he was inside the building's office area which is centrally located and closer to the Eastern side of the building. He recalled hearing an aircraft in serious trouble. He could hear the engines revving and feeling a vibration, and then hearing a crash. He was so close he ran outside to check the business parking lot, but didn't see anything. He then saw people running across the street, so he followed. He advised that he took some video of the crash site which he voluntarily sent to my email address. This video was downloaded to a disc; two additional copies were made, and all were placed on Det. Strecker's desk.

Chuck Carson WMN [REDACTED]
 Residence: [REDACTED] Camden, DE, 19934
 Cell: [REDACTED]

His statement concurred with Mongiello's; however, he offered that it sounded like an asphalt truck shaking its load.

Steve Jackson WMN DOB [REDACTED]
 Residence: [REDACTED] Wilmington, DE 19808
 Cell: [REDACTED]

His statement concurred with Mongiello's except that he stated that he heard an awful noise, twice. He said that he had trouble describing the noise, but explained that it was very loud and quick, it stopped, and then about two-five seconds later, he heard it again. It kinda sounded like a train, but ten times louder.

Debbie Pierce WFN DOB [REDACTED]
 Residence: [REDACTED] Wilmgton, DE 19808
 Cell: [REDACTED]

She concurred that she too was in the office with Mongiello. She also stated that she was so stunned because of the nearness of the noise. She said it was like a revving, swishing sound. She further advised that staff had reviewed the CCTV, however, due to the angle of the camera it was affixed to the West side of the building and directed at the side gate and did not appear to capture anything of significance. She said that staff would review it again and advise police if anything significant was noted.

I was cleared from the scene at 1441 hours.

I responded to Troop #2 and burnt the video sent to me from Mongiello to a disc for Det. Strecker.

Reporting Officer CPL/3 MCCLOSKEY - 00865 8		Pending Supervisory Review	
Detective Notified		Referred To	
Solvability	<input type="checkbox"/> Witness	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O.	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property
	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified
		<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified
			Status Closed

Supplemental Report

Original Occurrence Dates and Times Thu 05/25/2017 1155	Grid 092 - 336	Sector 22
Original Location 147 Quigley Blvd, Rear Of Usps, New Castle, DE 19720 0.42 Miles Southeast of Dupont Pky		

Original Victim Information

Victim Number 001	Name NTSB				
Type Government	Sex	Race	Ethnic Origin	Age	D.O.B
Address 490 SW L Enfant Plz WASHINGTON, DC 20594		Resident Status	Home Telephone (202) 314-6000	Cell Phone	Work Phone
Reporting Person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Injured? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Deceased? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Officer Comments		

Original Crime and Associated Information

Victim Number 001	Crime Seq 001	Statute	Crime Description Assist Other Agency		
Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer		General Offense
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal			

Investigative Narrative

On Thurs 5/25/17 at approximately 1320 hrs, I responded to the rear of the USPS (147 Quigley Blvd New Castle, DE) in reference to a helicopter crash. Upon my arrival on scene, I was directed by Capt. P. Sawyer to stand just above the point of impact (USPS side) to make sure the evidence in the area was not tampered with. It was known that there was one piece of evidence which had already been moved and we wanted to make sure no other items were touched.

The one piece of evidence in question was a small bag with "PENN STAR 2 ([REDACTED])" written on same. I was able to identify the person who moved it from the point of impact. Firefighter Keith "Tom" Shoemaker (Goodwill Fire Co) stated that he brought the bag up from the ditch (POI) in an attempt to identify either the helicopter company or the victim involved. The bag was on the ground, on top of the ditch, next to the partially burnt shed behind USPS. It was not moved any further than that. I later relayed the information to the FAA Investigator on scene. He stated he believed the small bag may have contained goggles, as it was customary to carry same inside the helicopter in a similar size bag.

At 1445 hrs, authority of Lt. Greer, I cleared the scene.

No further action.

Reporting Officer DET CARROLL - 01307 9	Supervisor Approval Tonya Widdoes PSPT186 06/01/2017
Detective Notified	Referred To
Solvability <input type="checkbox"/> Witness <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described
<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified
Status	

Supplemental Report

Original Occurrence Dates and Times Thu 05/25/2017 1155	Grid 092 - 336	Sector 22
Original Location 147 Quigley Blvd, Rear Of Usps, New Castle, DE 19720 0.42 Miles Southeast of Dupont Pky		

Original Victim Information

Victim Number 001	Name NTSB					
Type Government	Sex	Race	Ethnic Origin	Age	D.O.B	
Address 490 SW L Enfant Plz WASHINGTON, DC 20594		Resident Status	Home Telephone (202) 314-6000	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
Reporting Person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Injured? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Deceased? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Officer Comments			

Original Crime and Associated Information

Victim Number 001	Crime Seq 001	Statute	Crime Description Assist Other Agency			
Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer		General Offense	
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal				

Investigative Narrative

Original complaint is being investigated by Det. Strecker, #429.

On Thursday May 25, 2017 I responded to 147 Quigley Blvd. to assist State Police units with the crash of a helicopter. There was numerous fire apparatus in the area and a strong odor of fuel emanated from the area of the helicopter wreckage.

I assisted Det. Strecker by contacting Victim Service advocate Corrie Schmitt. Mrs. Schmitt was provided pedigree information for the victim of the helicopter accident and his families contact information. Mrs. Schmitt contacted the victim's families to provide victim services and to direct them to the Office of the Medical Examiner for retrieval of the victim's body.

I then contacted Captain Sawyer who requested that I stay at the scene to assist with perimeter security until the wreckage was removed by a salvage company. I stayed at the scene until approximately 2344 hours, when the wreckage was removed from the scene.

Reporting Officer SGT GARDNER - 10872 10	Pending Supervisory Review
Detective Notified	Referred To
Solvability	Status
<input type="checkbox"/> Witness <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described
<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified

Supplemental Report

Original Occurrence Dates and Times Thu 05/25/2017 1155	Grid 092 - 336	Sector 22
Original Location 147 Quigley Blvd, Rear Of Usps, New Castle, DE 19720 0.42 Miles Southeast of Dupont Pky		

Original Victim Information

Victim Number 001	Name NTSB				
Type Government	Sex	Race	Ethnic Origin	Age	D.O.B
Address 490 SW L Enfant Plz WASHINGTON, DC 20594		Resident Status	Home Telephone (202) 314-6000	Cell Phone	Work Phone
Reporting Person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Injured? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Deceased? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Officer Comments		

Original Crime and Associated Information

Victim Number 001	Crime Seq 001	Statute	Crime Description Assist Other Agency		
Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer		General Offense
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal			

Witness Information

Sequence 030	Type Witness	Name KHAIRALLAH , AHMED	Sex Male	Race American Indian/Alaskan	Age 35	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] Claymont, DE 19703			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone	
Sequence 031	Type Witness	Name MOLUGU , RAGHAVA CHARY	Sex Male	Race American Indian/Alaskan	Age 28	D.O.B [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] New Castle, DE 19720			Home Telephone	Cell Phone [REDACTED]	Work Phone	

Investigative Narrative

Original Investigator : Det Strecker #429
Supplemental Investigator : Sgt. R. Bond #448

On Thursday, 5/25/17 I responded to the area of Quigley Blvd in New Castle, DE to assist with the investigation of helicopter crash. At approx 1245 hrs, I responded to the business of Fulfillment Center Services located at 243K Quigley Blvd. This business was located on the on the east corner of the building and the rear of the business was directly south of the location of the crash scene. Upon my arrival multiple fire, EMS and police personnel were on scene and the fire from the crash scene had been extinguished but there was a strong odor of fuel and smoke still lingering in the air. I responded inside the business and made contact with the warehouse manager, W1-Ahmed Khairallah [REDACTED] at approx 1300 hrs. W1/Khairallah was requested to describe his recollections, involvement and observations of during this incident.

W1/Khairallah advised that he was inside the conference room located in the business when heard a loud noise of a helicopter or plane propeller that sounded like it was directly over top of the business. W1/Khairallah stated that he suddenly heard a loud crash located directly behind the building. W1/Khairallah stated that after he heard the loud crash, he responded to the rear door of the business and opened same to see what caused the noise that he heard. W1/Khairallah indicated that as he opened the back door he observed large flames of fire and large clouds

of black smoke coming from the area within the ditch located between the rear of the business and the rear/side of the U.S. Post Office (located at 147 Quigley Blvd). W1/Khairallah indicated that he informed everyone to stay inside the building for fear of what just occurred, but several employees ran outside and began moving their cars that were parked on the east side of the building (these vehicles were parked in close proximity to the location of the crash). W1/Khairallah stated that those people that left the business were trying to prevent their cars from obtaining any further damage from the fire and heat as a result of the flames from the crash. W1/Khairallah advised that after several minutes the fire department and the police arrived to put out the fire and take statements. W1/Khairallah did not provide any additional information.

At approx 1330 hrs I contacted W2/Raghana Molugu [REDACTED] in front of the Fulfillment Center Services business as he was standing behind his car that sustained damage as a result of this incident. W2/Molugu was requested to describe his recollections, involvement and observations of during this incident. At this time his vehicle, a silver Hyundai Elantra bearing DE Reg [REDACTED] was parked facing Quigley Blvd within the 7th parking space located on the south side of the building directly in front of the business. W2/Molugu indicated that he was inside of the office area within the Fulfillment Center and heard a loud noise above the building that caused heavy vibrations throughout the building. W2/Molugu stated that he then heard a loud noise that sounded like something crashed behind the building. W2/Molugu stated that he exited the front door of the business and saw a huge ball of fire and clouds of smoke coming from the wooded ditch located behind the building. W2/Molugu advised that he noticed that his vehicle was parked close to the area of the crash. W2/Molugu indicated that the rear window of his vehicle was cracked by an unknown object as a result of the crash. W2/Molugu walked over to east side of the building and showed me where his vehicle was parked within the 3rd parking space and he stated that it was facing the building. W2/Molugu advised that he moved his car after the crash once he came outside because he did not want it to sustain any further damage. I observed that the rear window of his vehicle was now shattered completely, but W2/Molugu stated that his window broke completely out once he tried to move his vehicle from where it was originally parked prior to the crash to its current location in the front of the business. W2/Molugu did not provide any additional information.

At approx 1500 hrs I made contact with Det. Strecker at the scene in the area of the south side of the U.S. Post Office building. I offered further assistance regarding this investigation and Det. Strecker provided me with a zip drive and a DVD that he indicated contained surveillance footage of this incident. Det. Strecker requested that I make copies of same. At approx 1600 hrs I responded to Troop 2 and made 3 copies of the zip drive and 3 copies of the DVD and all copies were given to Det. Strecker. NFD

Reporting Officer SGT BOND - 00448 11		Pending Supervisory Review	
Detective Notified		Referred To	
Solvability	<input type="checkbox"/> Witness	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O.	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property
	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified
		<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified
			Status

Supplemental Report

Original Occurrence Dates and Times Thu 05/25/2017 1155	Grid 092 - 336	Sector 22
Original Location 147 Quigley Blvd, Rear Of Usps, New Castle, DE 19720 0.42 Miles Southeast of Dupont Pky		

Original Victim Information

Victim Number 001	Name NTSB				
Type Government	Sex	Race	Ethnic Origin	Age	D.O.B
Address 45065 Riverside Pky National Transportation Safety ASHBURN, VA 20147		Resident Status	Home Telephone (202) 314-6000	Cell Phone	Work Phone
Reporting Person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Injured? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Deceased? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Officer Comments		

Original Crime and Associated Information

Victim Number 001	Crime Seq 001	Statute	Crime Description Assist Other Agency		
Location of Offense Field/Woods		Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer		General Offense
Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A		Crime Code 8105 - Non-Criminal			

Investigative Narrative

On TH 05/25/15 at approx. 1230 hours, Cabinet Secretary at Delaware Department of Safety & Homeland Security (DSHS) Robert Coupe request I respond to the 200 block of Quigley Blvd., New Castle DE 19720 to assist with a helicopter crash. I immediately departed from Delaware Coastal Airport, Georgetown DE. I arrived at the crash scene at 1340 hours and made contact with Major Melissa Zebley, U849 who directed me to Sec. Coupe. After observing the scene with Sec. Coupe, I suggested that we could get a better understanding of the extent of the debris field if we utilized Wilmington Police Department's (WPD) Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV). Sec. Coupe requested that I contact WPD and make the request.

At 1350 hours I contacted M/Sgt. Adam Ringle, U7061 who is the UAS Flight Director/Pilot in Charge at WPD and requested they respond with a remote pilot and aircraft to assist with videoing a helicopter crash debris field. Additionally, it was learned that the National Transportation Safety Administration (NTSB) would not be able to respond until after later and we could be utilized in the investigation by aerial evidence and data collection. While awaiting M/Sgt Ringle's arrival, I secured area to launch and recover in the parking lot across the street from the crash scene at 204 Quigley Blvd. I determined the helicopter was a Eurocopter (EC) 135PZ operated by PennStar Penn Medicine. The helicopter was registered as N62UP.

M/Sgt Ringle contacted WPD's Deputy Chief Clayton Smith for permission to respond. After briefing Deputy Chief Smith, M/Sgt Ringle was granted permission to respond. While en-route to the scene M/Sgt Ringle notified both WILCOM and RECOM and I contact with Wilmington Air Traffic Control (ATC) and conducting all UAS preflight required mission planning. We received authorization from ATC supervisor Jim Dubouis to conduct the UAS operation. M/Sgt Ringle arrived on-scene at 1420 hours. After conducting the Incident Command Systems (ICS) check-in protocol with the on scene commander and explaining our flight path, we prepared the WPD UAS aircraft N816DD for flight. This UAS aircraft utilized a DJI Matrice 600 Pro UAS aircraft (N816DD) with a DJI Zenmuse Z30 Camera to conduct aerial data collection in the form of video documentation for evidence purposes.

At 1422 hours, M/Sgt Ringle and I began to set up WPD UAS aircraft N816DD to determine its airworthiness condition. The preflight process began at 1440 hours with aircraft checklists, mission briefing, safety briefing and contingency planning. After all conditions were mutually agreed upon as "UP GREEN", the mission was initiated as described below.

As M/Sgt Ringle and I were conducting preflight checks and set-up, we interfaced with Cabinet Secretary Coupe,

Reporting Officer LT HAMM - 03222 12	Pending Supervisory Review
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Major Zebley and FAA FSDO Representative Gregory Mihalyak #8414. Mr. Mihalyak conducted the initial scene investigation while he awaited the investigator from the NTSB.

At 1448 hours the aircraft (N816DD) departed the landing zone being piloted by this writer and pilot not flying (PNF) camera operator Lt. Eric Hamm. The crash scene was an industrial park in the 200 block of Quigley Blvd., New Castle County, State of Delaware. The remains of the helicopter N62UP were in a drainage ditch directly behind the USPS location and an adjacent business. The coordinates of this location were as follows 39 degrees 39 minutes 33 seconds North / 75 degrees 36 minutes 04 seconds West. The UAS CP/Flight Deck was set-up S/E of this location across the street.

We conducted one sortie (flight) and landed back in the landing zone we took off from at 1515 hours. Authorities of Sec. Robert Coupe, no further UAS flights were needed and UAS Operations terminated at 1525 hours.

A micro SD card containing a single video which was 1.26 GB and 22:43 in length, was removed from the aircraft camera and downloaded to M/Sgt Ringle's departmental issued Dell laptop. After verifying the video was intact, it was backed-up to a LACIE portable hard drive. A copy of this video evidence was given to FAA FSDO Representative Gregory Mihalyak #8414 as well as me. I provided the copy to Det. Robert Strecker, U429 who was the lead detective investigating case number 02-17-52975. M/Sgt Ringle maintained chain of custody of the original micro SD card and later transported same to Wilmington Police Headquarters. Upon arrival at WPD, he responded to the Forensic Services Unit and downloaded the card to the Forensic Services Electronic Evidence Storage System under case number 30-17-42022.

Reporting Officer LT HAMM - 03222 12		Pending Supervisory Review	
Detective Notified		Referred To	
Solvability	<input type="checkbox"/> Witness <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> M.O. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified
			Status Closed

Page: 1	Report Date: 05/30/2017	Agency: WILMINGTON PD	Complaint: 30-17-042022
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Reported Date and Time THU 05/25/2017 1300	Initial Crime Report	Occurred: THU 05/25/2017 1230
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Location
299 Quigley BLVD New Castle, DE 19720
DRAINAGE DITCH BETWEEN BUILDINGS

M.O. and Incident Overview:
 This writer responded to the above described location to assist in an aircraft crash investigation

Grid 092-336	Sector	County New Castle	Domestic Related <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Gen Broadcast Sent? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Gang Related? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Gun Related? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Victim Information

Victim Number 001	Name DSP TROOP 2
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Type Government	Sex	Race	Ethnic Origin	Age	DOB
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Address 100 LaGrange AVE Newark, DE 19720	Resident Status	Business Telephone	Cell Phone
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Reporting Person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Injured? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Victim Deceased? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Officer Comments
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Injuries	Description of Injuries
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Crimes and Associated Information

Victim Number 001	Crime Seq 001	Statute	Crime Description Assist Other Agency
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Location Of Offense Park/Playground	Status Service Clear 05/25/2017	Involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Computer	General Offense
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Suspected Hate/Bias <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - N/A	Crime Code 8106 - Assist Other Police Agency
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Investigative Narrative

At 1350 hours on 25 MAY 17, this writer (M/Sgt. Ringle) received a cellphone call from Delaware State Police Lt. Eric Hamm #U222 requesting assistance with a helicopter crash investigation. He further advised this writer that the assistance request was per Robert Coupe, Cabinet Secretary at Delaware Department of Safety & Homeland Security (DSHS), Delaware State Police Major Melissa Zebley and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Lt. Hamm requested Wilmington Police Department's Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Program be utilized in the investigation and aerial evidence and data collection.

After speaking with Lt. Hamm, this writer contacted Wilmington Police Deputy Chief Clayton Smith for permission to respond. After briefing Deputy Chief Smith, this writer was granted permission to respond to the 200 block of Quigley Blvd., New Castle County, State of Delaware. This writer went enroute to the scene at 1400 hours and notified both WILCOM and RECOM. While this writer was enroute, Lt. Hamm was in contact with Wilmington Air Traffic Control (ATC) and conducting all UAS preflight required mission planning. He received authorization from ATC supervisor Dubouis to conduct the UAS operation. This writer arrived on-scene at 1420 hours and interfaced with Lt. Hamm. After conducting the Incident Command Systems (ICS) check-in protocol, this writer advised command of my IBM number, purpose for being there and intent to launch the WPD UAS aircraft N816DD on channel NPMA.

This writer and Lt. Hamm set-up a safe perimeter and secure flight deck across the street from the crash scene of PennStar helicopter N62UP at 204 Quigley Blvd., New Castle, DE 19720. As this writer and Lt. Hamm were conducting preflight checks and set-up, we interfaced with Cabinet Secretary Coupe, Major Zebley and FAA FSDO Representative Gregory Mihalyak #8414 who would remain and direct aerial evidence collection with Lt. Hamm while this writer piloted WPD N816DD.

Reporting Officer M/SGT RINGLE - 07061 1	Pending Supervisory Review
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Investigative Narrative - Continued

The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) had not arrived on-scene yet and were not present during the UAS operation.

At 1422 hours, Lt. Hamm and this writer began preparing WPD UAS aircraft N816DD and established the airworthiness of the aircraft and intended crew. The preflight process began at 1440 hours with aircraft checklists, mission briefing, safety briefing and contingency planning. After all conditions were mutually agreed upon as "UP GREEN", the mission was initiated as described below.

CRIME SCENE:

The incident location was an industrial park in the 200 block of Quigley Blvd., New Castle County, State of Delaware. The remains of the helicopter N62UP were in a drainage ditch directly behind the USPS location and an adjacent business. The coordinates of this location were as follows 39 degrees 39 minutes 33 seconds North / 75 degrees 36 minutes 04 seconds West. The UAS CP/Flight Deck was set-up S/E of this location across the street.

SCENE PROCESSING:

This writer utilized a DJI Matrice 600 Pro UAS aircraft (N816DD) with a DJI Zenmuse Z30 Camera to conduct aerial data collection in the form of video documentation for evidence purposes in this investigation as described below.

At 1448 hours the aircraft (N816DD) departed the landing zone being piloted by this writer and pilot not flying (PNF) camera operator Lt. Eric Hamm. We conducted one sortie (flight) and landed back in the landing zone we took off from at 1515 hours.

Authority of Robert Coupe, Cabinet Secretary at Delaware Department of Safety & Homeland Security (DSHS), no further UAS flights were needed and UAS Operations terminated at 1525 hours.

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE:

A micro SD card containing a single video which was 1.26 GB and 22:43 in length, was removed

Investigative Narrative - Continued

from the aircraft camera and downloaded to this writer's departmental issued Dell laptop. After verifying the video was intact, this writer backed-up the evidence to a LACIE portable hard drive and provided a copy of this video evidence to FAA FSDO Representative Gregory Mihalyak #8414 and Lt. Hamm to be disseminated to DSP Troop 2 detectives under DSP case number 02-17-52975. This writer maintained chain of custody of the original micro SD card and later transported same to Wilmington Police Headquarters. Upon arrival at WPD, this writer responded to the Forensic Services Unit and downloaded the card to the Forensic Services Electronic Evidence Storage System under case number 30-17-42022.

After conducting the above described operation, this writer and Lt. Hamm began packing up at 1615 hours and departed the scene at 1715 hours. No further assistance was requested of this writer or the Wilmington Police Department. This writer went out of service at 1735 hours and no further action was taken in this incident by this writer. For further details in this investigation, cross-reference Delaware State Police case number 02-17-52975.

Reporting Officer M/SGT RINGLE - 07061 1		Pending Supervisory Review:	
Detective Notified		Referred To	
Solvability Factors	<input type="checkbox"/> Witness <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Located	<input type="checkbox"/> M. O. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Described	<input type="checkbox"/> Trace Stolen Property <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Identified
	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Named <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle Identified	Status Has Follow Up	



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Heidi Kemner
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region Aviation

July 10, 2018

Subject: ERA17FA190
Who: Jay Williams - Witness

In a telephone conversation, Mr. Williams stated following:

- I was over the other business, picking her up at lunchtime.
- I heard a screeching sound, and looked in side mirror
- I saw the helicopter in trouble.
- It was a noise that I could only equate to catastrophic engine failure.
- We saw the smoke.
- The post office was between me and where the helicopter went down.
- We didn't see it impact.
- We could hear the engine noise.
- We didn't exactly know it was a helicopter at that time we saw it coming out of the sky.
- It wasn't until later we found out it was a helicopter
- The engine sound just got worse and worse and worse.
- The sound of that screeching could be heard for miles.
- In the Marine Corps I had well over 200 flights in helicopters and other small planes and I know the way they are supposed to sound.
- We're listening to airplanes all day long at the business and when you hear something that, you know it's in trouble.
- I saw something descending, I couldn't identify exactly what type of aircraft it was at that point.
- I saw it for about 10-15 seconds.
- We drove immediately to the crash site and the only thing we could see at that point was a little bit of the airframe.



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Heidi Kemner
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region Aviation

July 10, 2018

Subject: ERA17FA190
Who: Marion Williams - Witness

In a telephone conversation, Mrs. Williams stated following:

- I was coming out of the back of 115 Quigley Blvd.
- I was going down the ramp, because my husband was going to take me to lunch.
- I heard a terrible sound.
- I could see that it was a helicopter.
- It was making a terrible noise.
- Next thing I knew we saw black smoke.
- I didn't know how many people were in it at that time.
- Let me tell you, he saved lives by not hitting the building.
- Meanwhile, I got in my husband's truck for lunch and we went around to the scene.
- My front door of the office faces the front of the post office.
- 144 Quigley Blvd.
- I just saw the blades, I just really cannot describe the colors.
- It happened so fast.
- We saw coming out of my shop at 115 Quigley and 144 Quigley is closer to the accident site.
- I stopped and looked up and saw the blades.
- I just saw the helicopter for just seconds, just a few seconds.