



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: April 20, 2020
Where: Communication over text message
Person Contacted: Daniel Britton-Pilot
NTSB Accident Number: WPR20CA127

The NTSB duty officer who initially took the accident call sent the pilot a follow-up text message:

-Maja Smith (Duty Officer):

“I know you said that [the] engine was producing power. Was there any mechanical issues?” ... “If you suspect there were mechanical issues, we need to investigate further and probably retain the airplane for the time being.”

-Daniel Britton:

“No mechanical issues at all. I’ve played back the flight and it was pilot error. Prior to takeoff, a large helicopter was hovering close to the runway. I believe I entered his rotor wash and lost lift.”

End of text communication.



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