SECTION 9.
Transcriptions of Voice Recordings



Memorandum

Date:

November 03, 2009

To:

Aircraft Accident File ILM-ATCT-0143

From:

Wilmington (NC) Airport Traffic Control Tower

Subject: INFORMATION: Partial Transcript

Aircraft Accident, N455RC Magnolia, NC, October 05, 2009

This transcription covers the Wilmington (NC) Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) GC GC position for the time period from October 05, 2009, 1612 UTC, to October 05, 2009, 1630 UTC.

Agencies Making Transmissions	Abbreviations
HXB (RV6), N455RC	N455RC
Wilmington ATCT, Ground Control	GC
Wilmington ATCT, Local Control	LC

I hereby certify that the following is a true transcription of the recorded conversations pertaining to the subject aircraft accident involving N455RC.

Kevin M. Graffius Support Specialist

Wilmington (NC) ATCT

1612 (1613-1616) 1617		
1617:14	N455RC	wilmington ground experimental four five five romeo charlie
1617:26	GC	experimental four five five romeo charlie wilmington ground
1617:30	N455RC	experimental four five five romeo charlie is at the air wilmington ramp ready to ground taxi with a departure zero zero nine degrees the uh destination will be franklin county louisburg north carolina
1617:49	GC	experimental four five five romeo charlie uh say three

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		letter identifier for the airport
1617:58	N455RC	arriving airport will be lima hotel zulu franklin county
1618:06	GC	experimental five romeo charlie departure frequency one three five point seven five uh taxi via alpha bravo to uh juliet alpha bravo juliet to runway six and hold short of runway six at juliet expect a back taxi
1618:28	N455RC	uh ground four five five romeo charlie copy that and uh i'll ask for a progressive i think since i'm new to this field i'm at the ramp right now with strobes flashing
1618:41	GC	experimental five romeo charlie as you exit the ramp make a right on alpha and a right turn on bravo and actually that uh traffic at the end of the runway is uh due to depart at any second so just make a right on alpha right on bravo and taxi all the way to the end of runway six
1619		•
1619:01	N455RC	okay then five romeo charlie copy that
1619:57 1620	GC	experimental five romeo charlie say altitude
1620:01	N455RC	altitude two thousand
1620:50	GC	experimental five romeo charlie squawk four six seven three
1621		
1621:03	GC	experimental five romeo charlie make a right turn there on bravo and taxi to the end of uh runway six
1621:09	N455RC	okay right on bravo five romeo charlie
1621:11	GC	experimental five romeo charlie your squawk is four six seven three
1621:17 1622	N455RC	that was squawk four six seven three affirmative
1622:47	N455RC	ground five romeo charlie here uh should i try depart at this location

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1622:53	GC	experimental five romeo charlie affirmative uh taxi to runway six at juliet hold short contact tower when you're ready
1623		jou to leady
1623:03	N455RC	five romeo charlie roger thanks
1623:09	GC	local ground he is coming to you at juliet

1623:12	LC	alright j h

1623:13 1624	GC	o b

1624:05	GC	experimental five romeo charlie what is your cr	uise
		speed sir	

1624:13	N455RC	uh normally a	hundred	fifty	five	knots	i might	go a
		little slower	if it's	a bump	У		_	

1624:19	GC	experimental	five	romeo	charlie	roger	thank	you
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1624:24	N455RC	and	ground	one	more	time	to	confirm	one	three	five	seven
		five	for the	ie ist	n rada	37						

1624:30 1625	GC	experimental	five	romeo	juliet	affirmative
(1626-1629)						

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Aircraft Accident, N455RC

Magnolia, NC, October 05, 2009

This transcription covers the Wilmington (NC) Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) LC LC position for the time period from October 05, 2009, 1618 UTC, to October 05, 2009, 1633 UTC.

Agencies Making Transmissions	Abbreviations
Wilmington ATCT, Ground Control	GC
Wilmington ATCT, Local Control	LC
HXB (RV6), N455RC	N455RC
Wilmington ATCT, West Radar	WAP

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Support Specialist Wilmington (NC) ATCT

1618 (1619-1622)1623

1623:09 local ground he is coming to you at juliet GC

1623:12 LC alright j h

1623:13 GC' o b 1624

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1625:48 tower experimental four five five romeo charlie holding N455RC

short six ready for departure

1625:54 LC experimental four five five romeo charlie wilmington

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1626		tower runway six at the intersection juliet fly runway heading cleared for takeoff	
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1626:01	N455RC	four five five romeo charlie roger clear for takeoff fly runway heading	
1627		Lunway heading	
1627:11	LC	experimental five romeo charlie contact departure	
1627:18	LC	experimental five romeo charlie contact departure	
1627:28	N455RC	wilmington departure four five five romeo charlie with you	
1627:34	WAP	november four five five romeo charlie wilmington departure radar contact turn left on course and say type aircraft	
1627:40	N455RC	experimental four five five romeo charlie is a vans r v six turning on course zero zero nine magnetic	
1627:50 1628 (1629-1632) 1633	WAP	r v five romeo charlie roger thanks	

End of Transcript



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Aircraft Accident, N455RC Magnolia, NC, October 05, 2009

This transcription covers the Wilmington (NC) Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) WAP AR position for the time period from October 05, 2009, 1622 UTC, to October 05, 2009, 1647 UTC.

Agencies Making Transmissions

Abbreviations

HXB (RV6), N455RC

N455RC

Wilmington ATCT, West Radar

WAP

I hereby certify that the following is a true transcription of the recorded conversations pertaining to the subject aircraft accident involving N455RC.

Kevin M. Graffius Support Specialist Wilmington (NC) ATCT

1622 (1623 - 1626)

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1627:28

N455RC

wilmington departure four five five romeo charlie with

you

1627:34 WAP november four five five romeo charlie wilmington

departure radar contact turn left on course and say type

aircraft

1627:40

N455RC

experimental four five five romeo charlie is a vans r v

six turning on course zero zero nine magnetic

1627:50

r v five romeo charlie roger thanks

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1630 1630:54	N455RC	wilmington radar experimental four five five romeo charlie	
1630:59 1631	WAP	r v five romeo charlie wilmington	
1631:01	N455RC	five romeo charlie can you confirm i'm squawking altitude	
1631:04	WAP	i show you level at two thousand feet	
1631:07 1632	N455RC	roger thank you sir	-
1632:39	N455RC	radar four five five romeo charlie i've got to depart the west a bit to stay clear of some rain	to
1632:47	WAP	november five romeo charlie roger you can uh deviate requested around the weather	as
1632:53 1633 (1634-1640)	N455RC	thank you sir	
1641 1641:20	WAP	november four five five romeo charlie contact seymour johnson approach one one niner point seven so long	
1641:27	N455RC	one one nine point seven	
1641:29 1642 (1643-1646)	WAP	affirmative	

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MEMORANDUM FOR HQ ACC/A3AO

FROM: 4 OSS/OSA

SUBJECT: Civilian Aircraft Mishap

- 1. The following information is provided per AFI 13-204 ACC Sup 1:
 - a. Location: Seymour Johnson 199 Radial / 026 DME (10 miles SW of Seymour Approach's assigned airspace).
 - b. Date/Local Time: 5 Oct 09/1246L (EST)
 - c. Call Sign/Serial Number of Aircraft: N455RC
 - d. Type of Aircraft and Command/Civil Ownership of Aircraft: Experimental
 - e. ATC/ATCALS Used: IR 1/B Channel (ASR)
 - f. Current Status of Equipment Used: Operational
 - g. Were Control Instructions Recordable and Readable? Yes
 - h. Was a Watch Supervisor or Senior Controller On Duty? Watch Supervisor
 - i. Number of Qualified/Skilled Controllers Scheduled For Duty, On Duty and In Position: 7
 - j. Brief Narrative of the Event (Factual Information Only): 5 Oct 09, 1246L, N455RC was en route from Wilmington (ILM) to Franklin County (LHZ) VFR at 2K; checked in with South Radar (Seymour Approach) with no Mode C displayed. The aircraft was issued the Seymour altimeter initially with no response. The aircraft subsequently contacted Seymour Approach and stated he was "in the thick of the weather". Seymour Approach attempted to confirm the aircraft's call and received no response from the aircraft. At 1248L, the aircraft was observed at 1.5K circling. Seymour Approach then lost the data tag on the aircraft and broadcasted a "radar contact lost" advisory. ASR 5 (radar scope) was marked with the aircraft's last known position (approximately GSB 199/026). Weather at Duplin County, NC (approximate location of the aircraft) at 1240L was 00000KT 5SM RA SCT010 OCV018 17/16 A3012. Seymour Approach contacted the Duplin County Airport Mgr, Washington Center, Raleigh Durham Approach and Flight Service, and Kinston Airport Control Tower. At 1258L, Seymour Approach received confirmation from the Duplin County Sheriff they had received a call about an aircraft in the trees, and at 1317L, Duplin County Sheriff confirmed the accident was fatal.
- 2. If you have any questions, please contact Capt Layton, DSN 722-2102.

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DARRIN P. LAYTON, Capt, USAF
Airfield Operations Flight Commander

SECTION 8. Flight Progress Strip

Wilmington (NC) ATCT

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