

NTSB Investigation No. CEN 17 FA 355

Date of Accident: 16 Sept, 2017

Accident Location: AMCho, NM

CERTIFICATION OF PARTY REPRESENTATIVE¹

I acknowledge that I am participating in the above-referenced accident or incident investigation, on behalf of my employer who has been named a party to the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) safety investigation, for the purpose of providing technical assistance to the NTSB's evidence documentation and fact-finding activities. I understand that as a party participant, I and my organization shall be responsive to the direction of NTSB personnel and may lose party status for conduct that is prejudicial to the investigation or inconsistent with NTSB policies or instructions. No information pertaining to the accident, or in any manner relevant to the investigation, may be withheld from the NTSB by any party or party participant.

I further acknowledge that I have familiarized myself with the attached copies of the NTSB Accident/Incident Investigation Procedures (49 C.F.R. Part 831) and "Information and Guidance for Parties to NTSB Accident and Incident Investigations," and will comply, and, if the party coordinator for my party, take all reasonable steps to ensure that the employees and participants of my organization comply, with these requirements.. This includes, but is not limited to, the provisions of 49 C.F.R. §§ 831.11 and 831.13, which, respectively, specify certain criteria for participation in NTSB investigations and limitations on the dissemination of investigation information.

No party coordinator or representative may occupy a legal position or be a person who also represents claimants or insurers. I certify that my participation is not on behalf of either claimants or insurers, and that, although factual information obtained as a result of participating in the NTSB investigation may ultimately be used in litigation (at the appropriate time, and in a manner that is not inconsistent with the provisions of 49 C.F.R. § 831.13 and 49 U.S.C. § 1154), my participation is to assist the NTSB safety investigation and not for the purposes of preparing for litigation. I also certify that, after the NTSB Investigator-in-Charge (IIC) releases the parties and party participants from the restrictions on dissemination of investigative information specified in 49 C.F.R. § 831.13, neither I nor my party's organization will in any way assert in civil litigation arising out of the accident any claim of privilege for information or records received as a result of my participation in the NTSB investigation.

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Signature	7/18/17 Date
Name & Title Source AST	
Party Organization/Employer	

¹ In aviation investigations this form may also be referred to as "Statement of Party Representatives to NTSB Investigation."

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Good day Craig,

Thank you for advising the Transportation Safety Board of Canada (TSB) of the subject accident. As Canada is the State of Design for the Bell 206L3 helicopter, we have appointed **Nora Vallée** as the Accredited Representative, under ICAO Annex 13. There is no intention for Mrs Vallée to travel to the occurrence site at this time.

Please feel free to contact the Accredited Representative directly on any matter concerning this accident at:

Nora Vallée

Accredited Representative, Air Investigations Branch Transportation Safety Board of Canada, 200 Promenade du Portage, Gatineau, Québec, CANADA K1A 1K8





Please note that Transport Canada and Bell Helicopter are copied on this email and that any specialists from these agencies, who assist in your investigation, are Technical Advisers to Canada's Accredited Representative in accordance with ICAO Annex 13, Section 5.24. Bell has notified the TSB of the assignment of Mr. Mark Stuntzner as the Technical Advisor to the investigation. Feel free to liaise directly with them on matters associated with this investigation with copies to the Accredited Representative and of all correspondence.

The TSB reference number is A17F0222.

Kindest regards,

Marc Belzile

Enquêteur, Agent des Opérations / Opérations internationales et enquêtes majeures, Aviation Bureau de la sécurité des transports du Canada / Gouvernement du Canada

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