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ACCIDENT # 0133 **INDIVIDUAL#:** 001 **NAME:** SNOW, VAN E. **MODE:** AVIATION

DATE OF ACCIDENT 04/08/2010 **DATE RECEIVED** 06/25/2010 **PUTREFACTION:** No

N # 28VS **NTSB #** WPR10LA195 **CAMI REF #** 201000133001

LOCATION OF ACCIDENT Borrego Springs, CA

SPECIMENS Brain, Kidney, Liver, Lung, Muscle, Spleen, Vitreous

FINAL FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT

CARBON MONOXIDE: The carboxyhemoglobin (COHb) saturation is determined by spectrophotometry with a 10% cut off and confirmed by chromatography.

>> NOT PERFORMED

CYANIDE: The presence of cyanide is screened by Conway Diffusion. Positive cyanides are quantitated by spectrophotometry and confirmed by chromatography. The reporting cutoff for cyanide is 0.25 ug/mL. Normal blood cyanide concentrations are less than 0.15 ug/mL, while lethal concentrations are greater than 3 ug/mL.

>> NOT PERFORMED

VOLATILES: The volatile concentrations are determined by headspace gas chromatography at a cut off of 10 mg/dL. Where possible, positive ethanol values are confirmed by Radiative Energy Attenuation.

>> NO ETHANOL detected in Muscle
>> NO ETHANOL detected in Brain

DRUGS: Immunoassay and/or chromatography are used to screen for drugs. GC/Mass Spec, HPLC/Mass Spec, or GC/FTIR is used to confirm most positive results. Concentrations (ug/mL) at or below those in () can be determined for, but not limited to, the following drugs: amphetamines (0.010), opiates (0.010), marihuana (0.001), cocaine (0.020), phencyclidine (0.002), benzodiazepines (0.030), barbiturates (0.060), antidepressants (0.100), and antihistamines (0.020). For comprehensive information concerning all drugs detected by the laboratory, see the CAMI Drug Information Web Site http://jag.cami.jccbi.gov/toxicology/.

>> NO DRUGS listed above detected in Liver

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