



# NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

**Investigator name:** Shaun Williams  
**Title:** Senior Aviation Accident Investigator  
**Region:** Central

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**Date:** 10 February, 2020  
**Person Contacted:** Walter Archer  
**NTSB Accident Number:** CEN19FA072

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## **Narrative:**

On January 29, 2019, about 0650 eastern standard time, a Bell 407 helicopter, sustained substantial damage during an impact with trees near Zaleski, Ohio during a 14 Code of Federal Regulations Part 135 helicopter air ambulance operation. Mr. Archer was the evening shift pilot who initially accepted the accident flight. He was contacted on February 10, 2020 at 1027 central standard time for follow-up questions from his interview.

Mr. Archer stated that he and the accident pilot configured the installed Garmin 650 the same way and he would not have to change the setting when flying the helicopter after her. He said that the moving map screen would be displayed with the FIS-B overlay, which would show precipitation. Also on the screens would be groundspeed, estimated time enroute, waypoint name and distance to the named waypoint.

He stated that the FIS-B was an overlay that would not get turned off. It remained on constantly.

When asked if the pilots based at SF-14 would share information regarding the avionics, he said that they would talk openly and share ideas/suggestions regarding different scenarios that would present themselves.

The call ended at 1034.

END OF INTERVIEW