

RECORD OF INTERVIEW

Investigator: Brian C. Rayner Senior Air Safety Investigator Eastern Region

Date: September 18, 2015 Person Interviewed: Wanda Allen NTSB Accident Number: ERA15FA359 Alma, Georgia

Narrative:

Ms. Allen was a resident of Alma, Georgia, and contacted the Bacon County Sheriff's Department because she watched an airplane flying at low altitude near her home, in the vicinity of the accident site, shortly before the reported time of the accident.

According to Ms. Allen, she got out of bed and went to the kitchen of her home for a glass of water. She noted the time when she entered the kitchen at 0322. Her attention was drawn to a noise she heard outside. She was concerned about recent thefts in the neighborhood, so she opened the window blind "to check."

According to Ms. Allen, "I looked out over the blueberry field and saw a bright, clear, bluishwhite light, like an LED light, going up and down and heard the sounds of a small plane. I thought it was a crop duster because the sound of the engine was increasing and decreasing, and it was going up and down and flying a pattern in the shape of an "M."

Ms. Allen repeated that the airplane flew in an "M" pattern and illustrated it with her hands. She said the airplane flew "not much above the treeline." She said the airplane continued flying in this pattern, with smooth, continuous increasing and decreasing engine noise until it descended from view and the engine could no longer be heard.

According to Ms. Allen, "It didn't come back up. If it had, I would have awakened my husband to come look."