RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Person Contacted: Chris Timpano, Kodiak Helicopters (303-241-3454)
NTSB Accident Number: ANC21LA020
IIC: Eric Swenson

Narrative:

I conducted an initial interview with Chris Timpano of Kodiak Helicopters via telephone today. Chris is the one and only pilot (Part 135) for Kodiak Helicopters, and was a friend of Andy Teuber. Chris was at the hangar when the Robinson R66, N1767, departed for Kodiak.

Chris stated that Andy owned the Robinson R66, N1767, and he flew it on a regular basis. Chris said that on the day of the accident he received a message from Andy that he needed the helicopter for a trip to Kodiak, so both met up at the Merrill Field hangar, and at Andy's request, Chris filled the helicopter's fuel tank (topped off).

I asked Chris about Andy's demeaner and actions just before he departed, and he reported that he seemed distracted and not himself. Andy then told Chris that the Anchorage Daily News was set to publish a story on him within the next few hours, and he wanted to be with his family in Kodiak when the story broke.

Chris said that Andy departed in the Robinson R66, N1767, at 2:06 PM. Chris said that he continued to watch his progress towards Kodiak using SpiderTracks. He noted that at 3:39 PM, the track stopped in an area just south of the Barron Island, and over open ocean waters. Chris then started a series of phone calls in search of Andy, starting with the Kodiak tower, to see if the helicopter had arrived in Kodiak. None of the phone calls Chris made were successful in finding Andy or the helicopter. Chris said that between Andy's wife, Amy, and himself, they elected to contact the FAA, RCC to start an organized search.

I then requested a copy of the SpiderTracks map overlay, and Chris offered to provide password access to Kodiak Helicopters SpiderTracks account and the accident flight data that was archived

in the database. I then texted Chris my email address, along with Eric Swenson's, to start that process.

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