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On September 20, 2002, at about 08:40 a.m. Steven C. Williams from Ptarmigan Air called me. He wanted to report an accident that happen at 08:15 a.m. Williams stated that he was the pilot in command of a floatequipped DHC-2 aircraft, N144Q, that crashed after takeoff from Hanger Lake near Bethel Alaska. He stated that he was training another pilot, a Randy Cone and the flight was being operated under part 91. He stated that the aircraft became airborne to about 50 feet, stalled and crashed. He stated that the frost was not removed before flight and that his visibility was restricted because of the frost. When asked why he didn't remove the frost, he stated that he just screwed up. He stated that just wanted to be honest as to what had happen.

Bruce Walker Supervisor