

RECORD OF CONVERSATION

Michael Folkerts Air Safety Investigator Central Region

Date: 9/12/2022 Person Contacted: Pilot of Accident, Ahmed Medhat El-Kaddah NTSB Accident Number: CEN22LA414

- The pilot stated that while flying the rented aircraft over the reservoir, an engine power issue had occurred.
- To avoid landing the aircraft in the water or hitting any boats, persons, or houses, the pilot elected to make a climbing, right turn to the west, away from the lake.
- The investigator informed the pilot that detailed flight data was available based on Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast (ADS-B) and asked the pilot if there might be a different rationale or circumstance for the climbing right turn toward the terrain.
- The pilot repeated stated that he was doing his best to not be a hazard to any persons or houses on the ground, and that he did his best to safely land the aircraft into the trees given the situation.
- The pilot stated that he did not think that he had made any errors by making the right turn toward the higher terrain given the circumstances and that he had elected to pursue the services of an attorney to assist with completing the NTSB accident report.