

Heidi Kemner Air Safety Investigator Eastern Region Aviation

October 4, 2020

Subject:	ERA21LA003
Who:	Amy Metz – Witness 1

In a telephone conversation, Ms. Metz stated the following:

- She only heard the airplane, she didn't see the accident happen.
- About 11:45 when I heard it.
- I was texting my husband at the time.
- I heard a low flying loud grinding sound of the airplane.
- It didn't sound right to me.
- It sounded off to me.
- Didn't know where it was coming from.
- It sounded very close.
- It completely went silent and then there was a loud boom.
- It shook the whole house.
- Felt like a bomb went off somewhere.
- Looked out front window, which looks north and between the trees I saw a black plume of smoke.
- The wind was blowing west to east, and after it blew away the smoke, there was no other smoke.
- After I called 911 we decided to take a walk through the woods, and we know all the people who own the property, but we didn't come upon the accident site.



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Subject:ERA21LA003Who:Kaela Green – Witness 2

In a telephone conversation, Ms. Green stated the following:

- She heard it but didn't see it flying.
- I was at my neighbor's house on Boyce road. We heard it going over and thought it sounded like a crotch rocket or motorcycle.
- Then we didn't hear the engine, then we heard it again. The whining noises.
- Then we saw smoke and called 911. That was about it.



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Subject:ERA21LA003Who:Mindy & Robert Lacki – Witnesses 3

In a telephone conversation, Ms. Lacki stated the following:

- Husband home at the time and they have Nest camera.
- On the Nest video, you can hear the turbine engine wind up and wind down.
- You can hear the airplane coming it was overcast.
- Can hear the engine rev up high, then one tone and then it stopped
- This happened at 11:44:20
- We are maybe 5 miles from the accident.
- She is going to send me the Nest Cam Video where you can hear the airplane.



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Subject:	ERA21LA003
Who:	Steve Doornan – Witness 4

In a telephone conversation, Mr. Doornan stated the following:

- I heard what I thought was a motorcycle. Our road gets a lot of people on motorcycles here.
- The noise was going on for a long time. A motorcycle would have passed and been done.
- I looked up and I caught the airplane when it was 150 ft off the ground.
- We get a lot of airplanes out here because we're on a flight path and the lowest I've seen is 500 ft.
- So it passed over me fast, very fast.
- The engine sounded like it was maxed out.
- Going east to west.
- Passed over road, then passed over tree line, and I lost sight of it.
- Then, the engine sound changed and then there was the impact.
- I dropped everything I was doing and went running.
- When the officer and I found the wreckage, I noticed that the bulk of the debris was to the east of the wreckage.
- The approach angle he came in on was pretty straight.
- There are a bunch of open fields around me and there was no attempt to slow down or change altitude to land nearby.
- The airplane left a thin trail of smoke, maybe exhaust, but the airplane was not on fire.
- It was a bright sunny day. There were some clouds in the sky. It rained later in the day. It was clear skies and sunny at the time of the accident.
- He was outside when he saw it.

- The engine was just screaming, and that drew up my attention.
- Before the airplane hit the ground, it was in my field of view it was 1-1.5 seconds.
- When it impacted, there was a huge fire, and then it was gone. The only smoke I saw was the debris on the ground was smoldering.
- The fuselage in the crater was not smoking.
- When asked about the attitude of the airplane and the wing position, he stated "When I had eyes on it, I saw the tail section, and the airplane wasn't in a heavy turn or heavy dive. I don't know if it was level, but it is a very straight line from our house to the accident site."

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-Pearl-St-Rd-

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Witness 3 - Auditory

East Pembroke

Genesee-St-

Witness 2 - Auditory 2

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Witness 4 - Visual/Auditory

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Accident Site

Witness 1 - Auditory

-E-Main-St-