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MEDICAL RECORDS INFORMATION

The following medical information was extracted by Dr. Mitchell A. Garber, NTSB Medical Officer, from medical records maintained on the pilot of N215TV by the FAA Aerospace Medical Certification Division:

6/9/89 – Application for 3rd class Airman Medical and Student Pilot Certificate notes, under “Color Vision,” “AO HRR 2nd Edition failed 11 plates.” A certificate was issued with the limitation “Not Valid for Night Flying or by Color Signal Control.”

10/27/89 – A letter to the pilot from the Supervisor of the FAA Medical Review Branch notes, in part, “You are hereby authorized to take the Signal Light Test, third-class, because of defective color vision. ... Upon successful completion of the test, you may be presented a Statement of Demonstrated Ability (waiver) and a corrected medical certificate. However, the Inspector may wish to return the test results to this office for further review and decision. The Statement of Demonstrated Ability (waiver) will permit you recertification at the same or lower class.”

An undated “Special Medical Flight Test Report” accompanying a Statement of Demonstrated Ability form dated 10/27/89 notes, in part, “A test was conducted in accordance with the procedures in FAA Handbook 8710.4, Chapter 3, para. 61K. The applicant was unable to correctly identify each color and his performance was not considered satisfactory. [The pilot] constantly failed to recognize the white signal light, referring to the white color as green. The test was conducted during daylight and broken sky. ... The class III Medical Certificate and Statement of Demonstrated Ability were returned to the Medical Review Branch.”

12/12/89 – A letter to the pilot from the Supervisor of the FAA Medical Review Branch notes, in part, “You are hereby authorized to take the Signal Light Test, third-class, because of defective color vision. ...”

2/27/90 – A “Special Medical Flight Test Report” notes, in part, “A test was conducted in accordance with the procedures in FAA Handbook 8710.4, Chapter 3, para. 61K. The applicant was able to correctly identify each color and his performance was considered satisfactory. The test was conducted at twilight to test the applicant under both daylight and night conditions. ...”

3/27/90 – A letter to the pilot from the Manager of the Aeromedical Certification Division notes, in part, “Your eligibility for a third-class medical certificate has been established and made a part of your record in our office. Enclosed is your medical certificate. A Statement of Demonstrated Ability is enclosed to

document your eligibility to hold this class of medical certificate despite your failure to entirely meet the physical standards ...”

10/17/90 – Application for 2nd class Airman Medical Certificate notes, under “Color Vision,” “AO HRR 2nd Edition failed 11+ plates.” Under “Comments on History and Findings” is noted, “Needs a waiver for second class ... has waiver for third class.”

12/27/90 – A letter to the pilot from the Manager of the Aeromedical Certification Division notes, in part, “Your recent application for medical certification has been reviewed. An updated Statement of Demonstrated Ability is enclosed. ...”