



**National Transportation Safety Board
Factual Data Collection Report of Accident**

WPR13CA342

Aircraft Reg No: N500PH
Most Critical Injury: None

Location/Time

Nearest City/Place: Hilo, HI
Occurrence Date: 07/25/2013
Occurrence Time: 1315 HST

Flight Itinerary

Last Depart. Point: Same as Accident/Incident Location
Destination: Same as Accident/Incident Location

Aircraft Information

Type of Aircraft: Helicopter (not Homebuilt)
Make/Model: Mcdonnell Douglas Helicopter / 360
Serial Number: 0187E
Landing Gear: Skid
Engine Type: Turbo Shaft
Engine Make/Model: Rolls Royce / CAE-840027
Aircraft Damage: Substantial
Aircraft Fire: None

Operator Information

Registered Acft Owner: K & S HELICOPTERS INC DBA
Operator of Aircraft: Paradise Helicopters
Operator Address: KAILUA KONA, HI
Reg. Flt. Conducted Under: Part 135: Air Taxi & Commuter

Weather

Condition of Light: Day
Wx Cond. at Site: Visual Conditions

First Pilot Information

Cert(s)/Rating(s): Commercial; Single-engine Land; Helicopter

Flight Time (Hours)

Instrument Ratings: Airplane; Helicopter
Medical Cert: Class 2
Date of Last Med. Exam: 05/2013

Total All Aircraft: 3180
Total Make/Model: 80

Injury Summary

	<u>Fatal</u>	<u>Serious</u>	<u>Minor/None</u>
Crew	0	0	1
Pass	0	0	4

Narrative

*** This investigation is based on information furnished by the Pilot/Operator. Additional details may be found in the Form 6120.1***

*** Note: NTSB investigators used data provided by various entities, including, but not limited to, the Federal Aviation Administration and/or the operator and did not travel in support of this investigation to prepare this aircraft accident report. ***

During a round trip tour flight, the pilot determined that the fuel state was low, and decided to return to the airport. The flight entered the airport environment and the pilot requested priority handling for a low fuel state. The engine subsequently lost power and the pilot initiated an autorotation to a field at the approach end of the runway. During the landing the helicopter's skid collapsed and the helicopter rolled over on to its right side which resulted in substantial damage. The operator indicated that there were no preimpact malfunctions or failures with the engine or airframe that would have precluded normal operation.

Updated on Nov 19 2013 1:40PM