

TRANSCRIPT
Southern Region
Bill Sullivan

N337HC: Seven hotel charlie's got an emergency.

Sullivan: Seven hotel charlie state the nature of the emergency.

N337HC: I'm losing my controls.

Sullivan: Alright sir, do you need, do you want to uh land at Tampa International or you want to land back at Vandenberg or where do you want to go?

N337HC: You tell me, I'm trying to get my act together.

Sullivan: Alright sir right now you're northbound, um... X-ray thirty-nine is due north of you, looks like you're turning a little northeast-bound, if you want to climb up V-F-R that'll be fine.

N337HC: I want to go to the nearest airport and give me vectors. I have no idea what's going on.

Sullivan: Alright sir just turn right, turn right, I'll take you right back to Vandenberg.

N337HC: Fly right back to Vandenberg.

Sullivan: That's the quickest one.

N337HC: (heavy breathing).

Sullivan: November three seven seven hotel charlie, the airport 1 o'clock and two miles.

Sullivan: Seven hotel charlie if you hear Tampa you appear to be turning away from the airport uh now, the airport just at 2 o'clock and two miles.

N337HC: ...trying to control it. Landing gear is up.

Sullivan: And November seven hotel charlie you appear to have turned away from the airport now, you're holding altitude at 600 and you're away from the airport. If you can turn around back to a southwesterly heading you'll be lined up straight into the airport.

Sullivan: November seven hotel charlie you appear to be correcting towards the airport now, a little bit further right and you'll be lined up straight-in, let me know if you get the airport in sight.

Sullivan: Seven hotel Charlie do you see the airport now? Just about 11 to 12 o'clock now, three miles.

N337HC: ...so (unintelligible)

Sullivan: Seven hotel charlie you appear to be turning a little bit away from it towards the left now. If you can turn towards the south you'll get lined up better.

N337HC: (heavy breathing) Approach where's this airport?

Sullivan: Seven hotel Charlie, 11 to 10 o'clock now and about two and 1/2 miles. Just the other side of the interstate sir.

Sullivan: Seven hotel charlie if you see the interstate it's just south of the interstate now.

Sullivan: Seven hotel charlie you want to turn left, turn left southbound you'll be lined up uh, you'll see the airport 12 o'clock and two miles.

Sullivan: And seven hotel charlie if you hear Tampa, if you can follow the interstate southbound, the airport will be just off the right side of the interstate.

N337HC: Seven hotel charlie's got it, finally.

Sullivan: Okay sir, can you uh, you can go ahead and resume own navigation for the airport.

N337HC: Don't leave me, this ain't over.

Sullivan: No sir, I'll be right here.

N337HC: Oh my God. Whatever it is, my elevator is stuck up. I'm on the ground, little rough, but I lost my controls (coughs).

Sullivan: Alright sir, and you are on the ground at Tampa Executive now?

N337HC: Praise God.

Sullivan: Thank you sir, very nice, and do you need any further assistance?

N337HC: Yeah, my wife was picking me up at Jet Center, says, "you need your cell phone?" I said, "what am I gonna need that for, I can't call you from the plane." Do me a favor... call my wife, and tell her to come back and get me at Tampa Inter- at Vandenberg, tell her I'm okay I had to emergency land the plane.

Sullivan: Sure, uh, can we get the name and phone number for her?

N337HC: Terri Bernardi.

Sullivan: Terri Bernardi.

N337HC: Oh nine seven one

Sullivan: And were you able to get off the runway there, sir?

N337HC: I'm off the runway.

Sullivan: Alright, sir very good, and uh nice job.

N6613A: Tampa this is one three alpha I was listening to you, you did a great job with him.

Sullivan: Thank you, sir.

N337HC: Yeah, controller thank you, I'm not done shittin' my pants to think about thanking you but thank you.

Sullivan: No problem sir, I'm glad you made it down safely.

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