

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
WASHINGTON D.C.

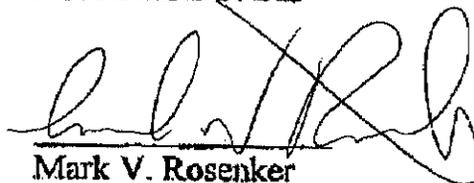
In the Matter of the Issues on *
Emergency Medical Services (EMS) * DOCKET NO.: SA-530
Helicopter Operation Safety *

DESIGNATION OF HEARING OFFICER

Pursuant to the authority conferred by the National Transportation Safety Board, E. Lorenda Ward, Office of Aviation Safety, Washington, D.C., is hereby designated Hearing Officer to conduct a public hearing on behalf of the National Transportation Safety Board, to be held in the above matter. The said Hearing Officer is authorized to set the time and place of the hearing, to give notice thereof, and to exercise such other powers in connection with the conduct of said proceedings as authorized by the National Transportation Safety Board.

Dated this 24 day of October 2008.

FOR THE BOARD



Mark V. Rosenker
Acting Chairman