

Asheville Approach Control then gave the initials "JD" and the time was 1539:30.

Atlanta Center responded "Asheville tower clearance" at 1553:55 and the Asheville tower responded with "Asheville."

The center gave the following: "Clear Piedmont twenty-two slant Alpha to Roanoke Airport via direct Valdese J fifty three flight plan route maintain two one zero JZ."

The tower responded "JC" at 1554:05 and the Atlanta Center responded "Atlanta."

The Asheville tower came in "Asheville Piedmont ten twenty-two is out of seven and put two one sugar three one two one sugar out of seven and Piedmont twenty-two be off at five nine."

The time is 1558 and 30 seconds.

The Atlanta Center responded with the initials "JZ."

And Asheville tower responded with the initials "JC."

This is 1558:35.

The tower responded "Asheville" and the Atlanta Center said "Piedmont twenty-two can you switch him to me yet?"

The Asheville tower said "Afraid I can't right now he is unreported and this three ten that was inbound was cleared over to Asheville beacon and he's also unreported and we have a public report of a crash down around Hendersonville."

Mr. Chairman, since this time, since the accident has occurred on this transcript, I will switch over to the transcript that came out of the Asheville tower.

I think it will give you a little more information as to the actions concerning the 727 flight.

This would be the flight data position, approach control in the Asheville tower. The time is at 1550 hours.

At 1550 hours and 25 second, "Asheville Approach Piedmont ten twenty-two."

Asheville approach control responded "Piedmont ten twenty two Asheville approach."

Piedmont 1022, "We are at thirty-five west at 7,000."

The response from the approach control was "You are thirty-five DME from Asheville you mean?"

Piedmont 1022 responded, "Yeah, we're southwest. We're level at seven."

Approach control, "Ten twenty-two Roger. Maintain seven. Wind light and variable, altimeter is three oh two six."

At 1551:03 Piedmont 1022 transmitted "Thirty twenty-six Roger."

1551:25, approach control transmitted: "Eight three Zulu Asheville approach."

Then there is a ring on the interphone line that comes in at this time.

This is the Atlanta Center calling the Approach Control.

The transmission "Atlanta", 1553:08.

Approach control responded "Asheville, request clearance Piedmont twenty-two."

The center responded "All right, I'll call you back. HO."

Approach control, "OK, and do you know where this Cessna two one sugar is right now—?"

Then at 1553:08, 3121 Sierra transmitted: "Asheville approach Cessna three one two one Sierra is out of seven—at seven."