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Next pre presenter is, uh, Scott Glaser.
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He holds a PhD in biomedical engineering from Drexel,
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as well as a Bs and MS in aerospace engineering.
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So, without further ado, I'd like to, uh,
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14 00:00:52.295 --> 00:00:56.595 Uh, see, here we go. 15 00:00:57.645 --> 00:01:00.715 There we go. All right. 16 00:01:00.795 --> 00:01:03.755 Well, uh, it's great to talk to everybody today. 17 00:01:03.755 --> 00:01:06.595 Thank you so much for, uh, giving us the opportunity to, uh, 18 00:01:06.595 --> 00:01:08.995 to brief on something near and dear to our heart. 19 00:01:08.995 --> 00:01:12.715 Excuse me one second. Flying airplanes is, you know, 20 00:01:12.715 --> 00:01:14.835 you think after a year of pandemic, we can get used 21 00:01:14.835 --> 00:01:16.435 to this stuff, but here we are. 22 00:01:17.335 --> 00:01:20.315 Um, thank you again, everybody for, uh, for the opportunity 23 00:01:20.315 --> 00:01:22.435 to speak to you today on a topic that's neared 24 00:01:22.435 --> 00:01:23.475 and dear to our heart safety 25 00:01:23.535 --> 00:01:25.115 and civilian contract flight test. 26 00:01:25.855 --> 00:01:29.315 Um, so this briefing, just to give you a little, uh, 27 00:01:29.405 --> 00:01:31.555

background, this briefing came out of, uh, 28 00:01:31.555 --> 00:01:33.595 suggestion based on a lot of questions we get in 29 00:01:33.615 --> 00:01:36.915 how our company flight research, uh, in, in Mojave, 30 00:01:36.915 --> 00:01:41.835 California, uh, operates to support our customers, um, as a, 31 00:01:41.935 --> 00:01:44.435 as a, as a professional flight test organization, that 32 00:01:44.435 --> 00:01:47.635 that is not, you know, military or OEM based. 33 00:01:48.175 --> 00:01:51.915 Um, so, so that's kinda the overall, um, the purpose 34 00:01:51.935 --> 00:01:53.435 of this brief is to answer that question 35 00:01:53.435 --> 00:01:54.515 that we get asked a lot. 36 00:01:55.175 --> 00:01:57.515 So, to start that off, I'm just gonna talk about, uh, 37 00:01:58.135 --> 00:02:00.355 do some, uh, intro stuff, uh, 38 00:02:00.355 --> 00:02:03.595 talk about our aircraft personnel, uh, organizations, uh, 39 00:02:03.785 --> 00:02:05.115 like ours, operations, 40 00:02:05.115 --> 00:02:07.835 and then, uh, take any questions, uh, there at the end.

41 00:02:08.535 --> 00:02:13.515 Um, uh, 42 00:02:14.275 --> 00:02:16.555 I got a, I got a question already about the recent 43 00:02:16.555 --> 00:02:17.875 3 26 accident. 44 00:02:18.135 --> 00:02:20.155 Uh, I, I can, I can't say much about that. 45 00:02:20.295 --> 00:02:22.435 Uh, I can, uh, I'll talk, I'll tell you 46 00:02:22.435 --> 00:02:24.555 what I can when we get to the question section, um, 47 00:02:24.575 --> 00:02:26.075 but, uh, we'll get to that here in a second. 48 00:02:27.095 --> 00:02:28.955 Uh, so our company is, uh, 49 00:02:29.235 --> 00:02:30.595 companies our Flight Research Inc. 50 00:02:30.775 --> 00:02:32.955 And, uh, the International Flight Test Institute. 51 00:02:33.055 --> 00:02:36.235 We provide, uh, flight test support, uh, to a number 52 00:02:36.235 --> 00:02:37.795 of customers, defense and civil. 53 00:02:37.815 --> 00:02:39.835 We do, uh, upset recognition and recovery training. 54 00:02:39.855 --> 00:02:41.875

We provide that for Flight Safety International. 55 00:02:42.415 --> 00:02:44.395 Uh, we do flight test training, space flight training, 56 00:02:44.395 --> 00:02:45.435 aerospace research. 57 00:02:45.775 --> 00:02:48.035 We are also a, uh, a repair station. 58 00:02:48.055 --> 00:02:49.995 So we have our own maintenance department as well. 59 00:02:50.695 --> 00:02:52.835 And, and I'm introducing the company to kind 60 00:02:52.835 --> 00:02:54.795 of give you guys background, not so much as a sales pitch, 61 00:02:54.955 --> 00:02:56.275 although the marketing people were very happy 62 00:02:56.275 --> 00:02:57.315 with this part of the brief. 63 00:02:57.815 --> 00:02:59.925 Um, but this is, this is what we do. 64 00:03:01.025 --> 00:03:04.165 And some of our folks, our CEO is Bill Corner. 65 00:03:04.175 --> 00:03:05.565 We're very fortunate to have him. 66 00:03:05.585 --> 00:03:08.605 He was a Vietnam helicopter pilot, uh, that went on to, uh, 67 00:03:08.605 --> 00:03:10.805 retire from the Air Force and then became a very successful

68 00:03:11.005 --> 00:03:14.285 businessman as a really unique background that allows him 69 00:03:14.305 --> 00:03:16.805 to understand the needs of the company as well 70 00:03:16.825 --> 00:03:19.605 as administer it like a, like a company should be. 71 00:03:20.105 --> 00:03:21.325 Uh, that's me in the center there. 72 00:03:21.465 --> 00:03:24.005 Uh, and then some of our other, uh, cadre, 73 00:03:24.215 --> 00:03:26.485 Billy o Mike Young, you guys might know those guys. 74 00:03:26.545 --> 00:03:28.645 And, uh, mark s scarf amongst, uh, many others. 75 00:03:29.545 --> 00:03:31.365 Our staff, uh, in-house has experience 76 00:03:31.365 --> 00:03:33.405 with all number different types of airplanes. 77 00:03:33.405 --> 00:03:34.685 And I know everybody on this, uh, 78 00:03:34.685 --> 00:03:36.405 call has similar experience. 79 00:03:36.785 --> 00:03:39.245 Uh, but again, giving you an idea of the background 80 00:03:39.245 --> 00:03:41.605 of organizations like ours, what, what the background 81 00:03:41.605 --> 00:03:43.645

of these folks are and how how rich it can be 82 00:03:44.615 --> 00:03:45.965 facilities have to exist. 83 00:03:46.185 --> 00:03:48.205 Our facilities, we have our own control room. 84 00:03:48.225 --> 00:03:49.885 We have a large campus, uh, that we share 85 00:03:49.885 --> 00:03:51.205 with national test pilot school as well. 86 00:03:51.745 --> 00:03:56.565 And, uh, the airspace is, is a huge, um, uh, 87 00:03:56.565 --> 00:03:58.925 benefit of ours where we operate in, uh, 88 00:03:59.245 --> 00:04:01.565 restricted area 25 0 8 out there at Edwards, working 89 00:04:01.565 --> 00:04:02.685 with the Edwards personnel. 90 00:04:03.025 --> 00:04:05.005 We have letters of authorization to do that, 91 00:04:05.945 --> 00:04:08.885 and any, any contract flight test organization has to have 92 00:04:09.075 --> 00:04:10.965 that sort of resource, whether it's 25 0 8 93 00:04:11.025 --> 00:04:12.605 or over water ranges 94 00:04:12.605 --> 00:04:15.085 or some sort of range that they can use

95 00:04:15.105 --> 00:04:16.325 to execute the flight test. 96 00:04:16.745 --> 00:04:19.765 Uh, and then the facilities, of course, uh, to support that. 97 00:04:21.265 --> 00:04:22.845 Our fleet, I love this slide, just 98 00:04:22.965 --> 00:04:24.045 'cause it's lots of pretty airplanes, and 99 00:04:24.045 --> 00:04:25.125 that's what we all like, right? 100 00:04:25.545 --> 00:04:27.805 Uh, like you said, we, uh, we support a fleet 101 00:04:27.805 --> 00:04:29.645 of 40 plus aircraft, 22 different types, 102 00:04:30.065 --> 00:04:31.245 and we get that question a lot. 103 00:04:31.345 --> 00:04:33.885 How do you, how do you support that many different types 104 00:04:33.885 --> 00:04:37.325 of airplanes, maintenance and, and, uh, air crew training 105 00:04:37.385 --> 00:04:38.605 and things along those lines. 106 00:04:38.625 --> 00:04:40.845 And, and I'll get into that into some more detail. 107 00:04:40.845 --> 00:04:43.365 Again, this is just sort of an overview here in a second. 108 00:04:44.905 --> 00:04:46.045

So that's our place just to give it, 109 00:04:46.045 --> 00:04:47.165 give you some background, excuse me, 110 00:04:49.355 --> 00:04:51.405 getting into the, the, the topic. 111 00:04:51.585 --> 00:04:53.285 So, civil contract flight test. 112 00:04:53.515 --> 00:04:55.965 This is really a unique capability that we're very proud of. 113 00:04:56.985 --> 00:04:59.525 And what, I mean, whenever I say civil contract flight test. 114 00:04:59.525 --> 00:05:02.565 So let's say somebody needs to test an airplane or a widget 115 00:05:02.565 --> 00:05:04.965 or whatever, they don't either have the capabilities 116 00:05:04.965 --> 00:05:07.165 that their com company or, or their organization 117 00:05:07.165 --> 00:05:08.565 or their organization is full up 118 00:05:08.565 --> 00:05:09.845 and they need some kind of support 119 00:05:09.865 --> 00:05:11.805 or some sort of specialization and stuff like that. 120 00:05:11.805 --> 00:05:15.045 Where do they go? Uh, well, they go to companies like ours, 121 00:05:15.185 --> 00:05:16.405 uh, in flight research.

122 00:05:16.405 --> 00:05:18.085 There are a number of other, other companies out there 123 00:05:18.085 --> 00:05:20.445 that do different levels of this flight test. 124 00:05:20.945 --> 00:05:23.885 And, um, and the, the services 125 00:05:23.885 --> 00:05:26.085 that we all provide are very unique 126 00:05:26.185 --> 00:05:28.845 and specialized, excuse me. 127 00:05:28.845 --> 00:05:31.405 However, we all all tend to be very flexible, uh, 128 00:05:31.405 --> 00:05:33.245 because we tend to be smaller companies. 129 00:05:34.105 --> 00:05:36.645 So we can do more, uh, creative things, if you will. 130 00:05:36.915 --> 00:05:39.325 However, safety across the board is 131 00:05:39.325 --> 00:05:41.445 paramount, and that can be the bigger challenge. 1.32 00:05:41.605 --> 00:05:45.005 'cause we're doing things that are, shall we say, creative, 133 00:05:45.115 --> 00:05:48.365 like I said, uh, before that are off nominal. 134 00:05:48.505 --> 00:05:52.085 So our safety process has to be more robust than a, than a, 135 00:05:52.165 --> 00:05:53.725

a standard operating, uh, 136 00:05:53.725 --> 00:05:56.285 organization like a aircraft charter or something like that. 137 00:05:56.305 --> 00:05:59.125 It has to be significantly different and more robust. 138 00:05:59.345 --> 00:06:02.205 Um, and we'll go over some of that again in, in a moment. 139 00:06:02.545 --> 00:06:03.845 And I'll tell you, at our facility, 140 00:06:04.025 --> 00:06:06.765 we require very heavily on good people, people 141 00:06:06.765 --> 00:06:09.765 that have been there that, uh, have experience 142 00:06:09.765 --> 00:06:11.725 with flight tests, operations, things like that. 143 00:06:11.725 --> 00:06:14.645 Safety systems that know what to look for. 144 00:06:14.825 --> 00:06:16.085 So we have our processes 145 00:06:16.085 --> 00:06:17.885 and our policies as tools, as our, 146 00:06:17.945 --> 00:06:19.365 our last presenter talked about. 147 00:06:19.945 --> 00:06:23.085 Uh, but we also rely very heavily on expertise of, 148 00:06:23.105 -> 00:06:24.245of those that have been there.

149 00:06:27.345 --> 00:06:29.565 So when we talk about flight tests, what kind 150 00:06:29.565 --> 00:06:30.925 of stuff goes on in these organizations? 151 00:06:31.185 --> 00:06:33.645 So we do, in our organization, uh, 152 00:06:33.645 --> 00:06:35.525 we do everything from component flight 153 00:06:35.525 --> 00:06:38.525 to somebody has a widget or a box or a seatbelt or whatever, 154 00:06:38.945 --> 00:06:40.845 and they want to test it on a vehicle, 155 00:06:40.845 --> 00:06:42.685 whether it's their vehicle or our vehicle 156 00:06:42.825 --> 00:06:44.685 or somewhere, some combination in between. 157 00:06:44.995 --> 00:06:47.125 They bring it to us, we talk to them about 158 00:06:47.125 --> 00:06:49.085 how we're gonna execute it, and, uh, 1.59 00:06:49.145 --> 00:06:51.685 and we, we execute per their, or how we would execute it. 160 00:06:51.685 --> 00:06:53.725 We execute for their requirements, uh, 161 00:06:53.745 --> 00:06:55.285 and then we give them the data 162 00:06:55.425 --> 00:06:57.165

or whatever process they're looking for. 163 00:06:57.705 --> 00:07:00.045 The question then becomes, what are their test objectives? 164 00:07:00.465 --> 00:07:02.045 And that can run the gamut. 165 00:07:02.115 --> 00:07:04.445 It's, it's really interesting, all the different, uh, 166 00:07:04.615 --> 00:07:08.045 objectives that we've been asked to, uh, asked to complete. 167 00:07:08.275 --> 00:07:09.885 Some of it is simple certification. 168 00:07:09.945 --> 00:07:14.045 So a, uh, manufacturer of something, whether it's an STC 169 00:07:14.045 --> 00:07:16.885 or whatever comes to us and they want to have this new, uh, 170 00:07:16.885 --> 00:07:19.445 modification certified per the FAA 171 00:07:19.745 --> 00:07:21.045 or YASA or something like that. 172 00:07:21.545 --> 00:07:24.325 We can, we have DERs on staff that can do those sorts 173 00:07:24.325 --> 00:07:25.525 of things and execute. 174 00:07:25.795 --> 00:07:30.085 Sometimes, uh, organizations just want to build some sort 175 00:07:30.085 --> 00:07:32.005 of one-off to, you know, some sort

176 00:07:32.005 --> 00:07:33.965 of conceptual design or something like that. 177 00:07:34.265 --> 00:07:35.445 And that's a different story, right? 178 00:07:35.675 --> 00:07:36.685 Does it, does it need 179 00:07:36.685 --> 00:07:39.005 to pass all the certification requirements for STC? 180 00:07:39.325 --> 00:07:41.045 Absolutely not. But does it need 181 00:07:41.045 --> 00:07:43.925 to meet the safety requirements of our company 182 00:07:43.925 --> 00:07:45.205 and of their companies to make sure 183 00:07:45.205 --> 00:07:46.525 that everybody comes home at night, 184 00:07:46.555 --> 00:07:48.805 even though we're only gonna fly this thing, whatever, 185 00:07:48.805 --> 00:07:51.405 five times, 10 times, 20 times, whatever. 186 00:07:51.405 --> 00:07:53.285 And that's on us. And those are, frankly, some 187 00:07:53.285 --> 00:07:54.405 of the more challenging safety 188 00:07:54.725 --> 00:07:55.885 questions, uh, that we come across. 189 00:07:56.425 --> 00:07:57.725

And then of course, there's RD which 190 00:07:57.725 --> 00:07:58.885 kind of falls under that as well. 191 00:07:59.205 --> 00:08:01.205 Research and development. Somebody's got a new idea, 192 00:08:01.395 --> 00:08:03.285 something like that, that they want either us 193 00:08:03.285 --> 00:08:05.805 to test on our airframes or on their frames, 194 00:08:05.805 --> 00:08:07.125 and they need our expertise. 195 00:08:11.335 --> 00:08:15.355 So just to, to, to, um, hit the, 196 00:08:15.415 --> 00:08:17.315 the obvious topics out of the gate. 197 00:08:17.375 --> 00:08:18.835 And when we're talking about safety. 198 00:08:19.375 --> 00:08:21.515 So when you go to any of these organizations, ours included, 199 00:08:21.535 --> 00:08:23.035 you should see all the stuff you're used 200 00:08:23.035 --> 00:08:24.475 to seeing at the bigger companies 201 00:08:24.475 --> 00:08:26.235 or government organizations or whatever. 202 00:08:26.715 -> 00:08:29.155SMS is huge. We have to have a safety management system.

203 00:08:29.775 --> 00:08:32.995 Our particular SMS at our company, I can tell you, 204 00:08:33.015 --> 00:08:35.875 is based on a kind of an amalgamation of a couple of things. 205 00:08:36.535 --> 00:08:38.475 Um, we work a lot in, uh, 206 00:08:38.475 --> 00:08:40.155 not only in flight tests, but in training. 207 00:08:40.775 --> 00:08:45.515 Uh, so our SMS started out as, uh, half a, um, a, 208 00:08:45.575 --> 00:08:50.035 uh, uh, NBAA National Business Aviation, uh, based SMS. 209 00:08:50.195 --> 00:08:52.035 'cause a lot of our customers on the training side come from 210 00:08:52.035 --> 00:08:54.675 that side in conjunction with the safety management systems 211 00:08:54.675 --> 00:08:57.845 that we've seen, um, at the companies that we've worked for. 212 00:08:57.845 --> 00:08:59.445 Larger companies, I won't mention names, 213 00:08:59.865 --> 00:09:01.165 but you can all guess who those were. 214 00:09:01.465 --> 00:09:03.485 Um, but also experience at test pilot schools, 215 00:09:03.505 --> 00:09:05.045 air Force Test, pilot School and so forth. 216 00:09:05.105 --> 00:09:07.085

So we kind of put all the good elements 217 00:09:07.085 --> 00:09:08.085 of all those things together 218 00:09:08.105 --> 00:09:10.205 to make a safety management system that works 219 00:09:10.545 --> 00:09:14.885 for our operations aircraft, obviously have to be safe. 220 00:09:14.885 --> 00:09:16.325 We'll talk about that in some more detail. 221 00:09:16.325 --> 00:09:19.685 How we make sure that there are, that they are safe, uh, 222 00:09:19.785 --> 00:09:20.885 as well as the air crew. 223 00:09:20.945 --> 00:09:22.845 And a lot of that is, is, again, through process, 224 00:09:23.025 --> 00:09:24.725 but all through attitude as well. 225 00:09:25.265 --> 00:09:26.645 Uh, and then lastly, maintenance. 226 00:09:26.955 --> 00:09:29.245 It's hard to do this without owning your own maintenance. 227 00:09:31.955 --> 00:09:34.975 Excuse me. You have to be able, you have to have processes 228 00:09:35.125 --> 00:09:39.415 that are robust enough to, um, to catch 229 00:09:39.955 --> 00:09:43.095 the, the issues of these one-off type flight test, uh,

230 00:09:43.235 --> 00:09:46.975 flight test, um, endeavors more so than a, than a standard, 231 00:09:47.075 --> 00:09:49.815 you know, uh, regular part 1 45 sort 232 00:09:49.815 --> 00:09:51.775 of maintenance operation would be able to do. 233 00:09:54.355 --> 00:09:55.895 So when you get into an SMS, 234 00:09:55.965 --> 00:09:57.535 it's all the standard stuff everybody's seeing. 235 00:09:57.535 --> 00:09:59.575 We got our safety reporting form there on the right. 236 00:09:59.995 --> 00:10:02.655 Uh, we have our safety committee, we have safety officers, 237 00:10:02.655 --> 00:10:05.615 safety reporting systems, all those things that you're used 238 00:10:05.615 --> 00:10:07.095 to seeing in the bigger companies. 239 00:10:07.115 --> 00:10:10.055 And I get this question a lot since we are, um, when I, 240 00:10:10.055 --> 00:10:12.295 when I, just to, to frame the size of our company, 241 00:10:12.305 --> 00:10:13.455 we're about 50 people. 242 00:10:14.155 --> 00:10:16.895 Um, and we're up in the, uh, northeast corner 243 00:10:17.035 --> 00:10:18.535

of Mojave Air and Spaceport. 244 00:10:18.995 --> 00:10:20.375 And so we are a smaller company. 245 00:10:20.995 --> 00:10:23.015 And again, I get the question a lot and, 246 00:10:23.015 --> 00:10:25.375 and several of our, our colleagues are as well, our, 247 00:10:25.475 --> 00:10:26.575 our similar companies. 248 00:10:26.715 --> 00:10:27.855 You know, how do you guys do safety? 249 00:10:27.955 --> 00:10:29.895 How Well, the answer's pretty simple. 250 00:10:30.015 --> 00:10:31.095 I mean, this stuff is out there, 251 00:10:31.475 --> 00:10:33.335 and everybody on this call, I now knows it. 2.52 00:10:33.415 --> 00:10:34.575 I we're preaching to the choir. 253 00:10:34.915 --> 00:10:36.455 You just gotta, you just gotta do it 254 00:10:36.455 --> 00:10:38.615 and implement these practices and stick to them. 255 00:10:38.995 --> 00:10:40.175 And, uh, and that's what we do. 256 00:10:40.175 --> 00:10:42.735 So there's nothing cosmic about how we do this.

257 00:10:46.555 --> 00:10:48.775 So when it gets comes down to the air crew, of course, 2.58 00:10:48.775 --> 00:10:50.735 you gotta have test and safety professionals. 259 00:10:51.155 --> 00:10:53.375 So folks with a background in flight tests, 2.60 00:10:53.375 --> 00:10:56.775 flight test instruction, um, things along those lines. 261 00:10:57.285 --> 00:10:59.215 Also, qualifications appropriate to testing. 2.62 00:10:59.405 --> 00:11:01.655 I've heard war, I've heard, heard it's not war stories, 263 00:11:01.655 --> 00:11:03.975 horror stories from customers that have gone 264 00:11:04.075 --> 00:11:06.535 to organizations that said, yeah, we can fly test that. 265 00:11:06.535 --> 00:11:08.695 We got airplanes, we got pilots, and all that kind of thing. 266 00:11:08.995 --> 00:11:10.255 And they go out and do their thing. 267 00:11:10.635 --> 00:11:14.415 And, and it doesn't turn out quite the way folks had 268 00:11:14.775 --> 00:11:15.775 expected it in some cases. 269 00:11:16.515 --> 00:11:18.135 Uh, it was simply just a lack 270 00:11:18.135 --> 00:11:19.415

of performance, which isn't great. 271 00:11:19.415 --> 00:11:21.175 Nobody got hurt, and in some cases people 272 00:11:21.175 --> 00:11:22.295 didn't get hurt, unfortunately. 273 00:11:22.835 --> 00:11:25.815 So, uh, again, preaching to the choir here, 274 00:11:25.815 --> 00:11:28.175 but just to make sure that the, the, uh, 275 00:11:28.475 --> 00:11:30.015 the briefing is, is caged. 276 00:11:30.015 --> 00:11:32.295 That it's really essential to make sure that you got, 277 00:11:32.295 --> 00:11:34.495 if you're doing PNFQ testing, you got A-P-N-F-Q guy. 278 00:11:34.495 --> 00:11:35.815 If you're doing spin testing, you got spin 279 00:11:35.815 --> 00:11:37.335 guy, all those sorts of things. 280 00:11:37.675 --> 00:11:40.135 And it also helps if that company has a proven record. 281 00:11:40.785 --> 00:11:42.615 Again, our company's been around since 82. 282 00:11:42.615 --> 00:11:44.855 We've been doing this for a long time, uh, as well 283 00:11:44.855 - > 00:11:45.855as the individuals

284 00:11:45.855 --> 00:11:48.175 that make up our cadre have been doing this for a long time. 285 00:11:48.835 --> 00:11:50.535 And we take what we do seriously, 286 00:11:50.535 --> 00:11:52.295 and we take our reputation seriously. 2.87 00:11:52.795 --> 00:11:55.285 If we do anything that's outside the realm of safety, 288 00:11:55.425 --> 00:11:58.685 God forbid anyone got hurt, um, it wouldn't look good. 289 00:11:58.865 --> 00:12:01.485 And no one, no one would wanna talk to us, nor should they. 290 00:12:01.785 --> 00:12:04.325 So we gotta have that good record, uh, to make sure that, 291 00:12:04.795 --> 00:12:06.685 that, that our customers are 292 00:12:06.685 --> 00:12:08.005 comfortable coming and working with us. 293 00:12:11.305 --> 00:12:12.325 One of the biggest questions, 294 00:12:12.385 --> 00:12:14.325 and I already got that question already in the, 295 00:12:14.325 --> 00:12:18.605 in the brief, how do you maintain, um, 296 00:12:19.325 --> 00:12:22.845 a, a fleet such as ours with 20 different types of vehicles 297 00:12:23.225 --> 00:12:26.005

and different capabilities and different missions and so on 298 00:12:26.005 --> 00:12:27.525 and so forth, how do you do that 299 00:12:28.185 --> 00:12:29.405 and how do you do it safely? 300 00:12:29.455 --> 00:12:30.765 Which is the biggest question. 301 00:12:31.635 --> 00:12:34.885 Well, again, um, when it comes down to the nuts 302 00:12:34.885 --> 00:12:37.405 and bolts of it, there's nothing really cosmic about it. 303 00:12:37.865 --> 00:12:41.045 Um, the airplanes that you choose to use have to have 304 00:12:41.045 --> 00:12:43.125 to be sub sustainable in some method. 305 00:12:43.785 --> 00:12:45.725 Um, you know, one of the things I've seen a couple times, 306 00:12:45.775 --> 00:12:46.845 again, I'm not gonna mention names, 307 00:12:46.865 --> 00:12:49.885 but you've seen, I'm guessing most of you have seen somebody 308 00:12:49.885 --> 00:12:52.685 with a, you know, a, a sign and a nail 309 00:12:52.705 --> 00:12:56.085 and an L 39 have have posted, Hey, you know, I've got a jet. 310 00:12:56.105 --> 00:12:58.485 You can come out and do jet training and jet flight test

311 00:12:58.485 --> 00:12:59.725 and jet this with my jet. 312 00:12:59.725 --> 00:13:03.605 Come and pay me to do that. Yeah, okay, dude, you got a jet. 313 00:13:03.605 --> 00:13:06.005 That's nice. But how do you maintain it? 314 00:13:06.025 --> 00:13:08.325 Do you maintain it to professional level standards? 315 00:13:08.345 --> 00:13:09.445 Not like it's in your backyard, 316 00:13:09.445 --> 00:13:11.125 like you're gonna go fly and have a good time. 317 00:13:11.745 --> 00:13:13.165 And that's a, that's a big question. 318 00:13:13.165 --> 00:13:17.245 And, and obviously our organization with our background, uh, 319 00:13:18.165 --> 00:13:20.045 military based and so forth, um, 320 00:13:20.505 --> 00:13:22.125 we maintain all the aircraft that we have. 321 00:13:22.145 --> 00:13:24.845 We maintain per the military spec manuals. 322 00:13:24.845 --> 00:13:27.125 If they are former military, obviously, if they're civilian, 323 00:13:27.185 --> 00:13:30.205 we maintain per the, uh, the FAA manuals. 324 00:13:30.665 --> 00:13:33.525

Um, if we have challenges, 325 00:13:33.525 --> 00:13:35.085 and I'll talk about some of the challenges with parts 326 00:13:35.085 --> 00:13:37.885 and so forth in a minute, uh, we have to have solutions, 327 00:13:38.195 --> 00:13:40.525 good solutions for those, uh, for those questions. 328 00:13:41.105 --> 00:13:43.085 So it's, it is a challenge. 329 00:13:44.335 --> 00:13:46.635 Uh, everything comes down to process 330 00:13:46.895 --> 00:13:49.755 and paperwork, meaning that we have, uh, 331 00:13:49.855 --> 00:13:52.035 the manuals follow them religiously. 332 00:13:52.035 --> 00:13:54.435 We have the people that, uh, that can follow those manuals 333 00:13:54.435 --> 00:13:56.435 and have the expertise to, to, to do so 334 00:13:59.135 --> 00:14:00.275 within those airplanes. 335 00:14:00.275 --> 00:14:03.315 There's very specialized, uh, things 336 00:14:03.355 --> 00:14:04.555 that we have to do in flight tests. 337 00:14:04.565 --> 00:14:06.195 Again, as you're all aware, instrumentation,

338 00:14:06.195 --> 00:14:07.195 and you get that question too. 339 00:14:07.265 --> 00:14:11.075 What about instrumentation, uh, instrumentation and whatnot. 340 00:14:11.775 --> 00:14:14.835 Um, our fleet, we're fortunate about half of our fleet, 341 00:14:14.835 --> 00:14:16.155 roughly, is instrumented already 342 00:14:16.155 --> 00:14:17.915 because of either flight test program, 343 00:14:18.015 --> 00:14:20.155 or, again, we support the national test pilot school, 344 00:14:20.155 --> 00:14:21.915 and they use our instrumented airplanes 345 00:14:21.915 --> 00:14:23.075 for flight test instruction. 346 00:14:23.495 --> 00:14:25.755 So when folks come to us, we can offer them airplanes 347 00:14:25.755 --> 00:14:27.955 that are already already instrumented, which has been 348 00:14:27.955 --> 00:14:30.115 of high value to many, uh, many customers. 349 00:14:30.495 --> 00:14:32.075 We also have an instrumentation shop. 350 00:14:32.575 --> 00:14:35.035 So if somebody needs instrumentation that needs 351 00:14:35.035 --> 00:14:36.515

to be installed, where does 352 00:14:36.515 --> 00:14:38.035 that come keep, you know, keep it in mind. 353 00:14:38.055 --> 00:14:40.755 The purpose of our briefing today, safety, how does 354 00:14:40.755 --> 00:14:41.875 that work with the safety process? 355 00:14:41.985 --> 00:14:43.715 Well, all that instrumentation has to go 356 00:14:43.715 --> 00:14:45.835 through our safety process and make sure it's not messing 357 00:14:45.835 --> 00:14:48.475 with the airplane systems, uh, interfering 358 00:14:48.475 --> 00:14:50.635 with flight controls, EMI, you know, all those things. 359 00:14:50.655 --> 00:14:53.010 And again, that is all part of the safety process. 360 00:14:53.185 --> 00:14:55.605 And I kind of feel like I'm saying obvious things, 361 00:14:55.625 --> 00:14:57.045 but I get these questions all the time, 362 00:14:57.065 --> 00:14:58.605 and I want to drive home that the, 363 00:14:58.665 --> 00:15:01.205 the professional organizations that do this stuff, um, 364 00:15:01.315 --> 00:15:02.365 they know what they're doing and,

365 00:15:02.365 --> 00:15:03.565 and they go through the processes 366 00:15:03.565 --> 00:15:05.005 that everybody, everybody is used to. 367 00:15:09.185 --> 00:15:11.285 Um, so a question about ejection seats. 368 00:15:11.305 --> 00:15:13.565 Uh, I'm gonna talk about that in a in a minute as well. 369 00:15:14.145 --> 00:15:18.645 So, um, back to maintaining unique airplanes. 370 00:15:18.645 --> 00:15:22.445 We get, we do get this question a lot. Um, how do you do it? 371 00:15:22.465 --> 00:15:24.925 How do you take, we have our fleet of impalas that, uh, 372 00:15:24.955 --> 00:15:26.885 that we've been flying since 1992. 373 00:15:27.445 --> 00:15:32.405 MB 3 26 is, uh, designed in Italy, flown in South Africa, 374 00:15:32.455 --> 00:15:35.365 flown for many years, very successful design, sold like 800 375 00:15:35.365 --> 00:15:37.285 of 'em around the world, wonderful machines. 376 00:15:37.785 --> 00:15:40.605 Um, but how do we maintain them as our shop in, uh, 377 00:15:40.605 --> 00:15:41.685 in Mojave, California? 378 00:15:42.115 --> 00:15:44.085

Well, again, documentation has to be religious. 379 00:15:44.085 --> 00:15:47.765 We have the manuals and so forth to work on the airplanes. 380 00:15:47.765 --> 00:15:49.765 We have engineering drawings, things like that. 381 00:15:50.705 --> 00:15:52.845 And that's, that's what we use. We follow them. 382 00:15:52.845 --> 00:15:55.765 We have to parts, people ask us about parts. 383 00:15:56.945 --> 00:15:59.885 The, one of the great things about the Impala was, uh, 384 00:15:59.885 --> 00:16:01.645 little war story is whenever the, uh, 385 00:16:02.045 --> 00:16:04.125 whenever the South Africans quit flying Impalas, 386 00:16:04.355 --> 00:16:07.165 they sold our company, their parts store at the scrap rate. 387 00:16:07.225 --> 00:16:10.445 So we've got several conexes full of brand new parts 388 00:16:10.585 --> 00:16:13.525 for Impalas, uh, in sitting out in, 389 00:16:13.585 --> 00:16:15.205 in the desert next to our facility. 390 00:16:15.705 --> 00:16:18.765 So when we need parts for those airplanes, we have parts. 391 00:16:18.905 --> 00:16:21.805 And we're very fortunate in that sense with that airframe

392 00:16:21.805 --> 00:16:24.165 to be able to continue to operate them as we do. 393 00:16:24.705 --> 00:16:27.085 And then expertise in, in maintenance, 394 00:16:27.085 --> 00:16:28.285 who can work on the airplanes. 395 00:16:28.745 --> 00:16:30.325 So we have, uh, um, 396 00:16:30.745 --> 00:16:32.565 not tooting our own horn, our maintenance department. 397 00:16:32.605 --> 00:16:35.445 I love our guys. They're outstanding. They work really hard. 398 00:16:35.445 --> 00:16:38.405 They love what they do. And I'm sure our, our our colleagues 399 00:16:38.405 --> 00:16:40.085 and other companies have similar situations. 400 00:16:40.085 --> 00:16:41.165 You have to, to do what we do. 401 00:16:41.785 --> 00:16:44.085 Uh, but they've learned the airplanes very, very well. 402 00:16:44.465 --> 00:16:47.285 Uh, we have training programs for new maintainers 403 00:16:47.525 --> 00:16:49.165 whenever they come in, the gray beards 404 00:16:49.165 --> 00:16:51.965 who know the airplanes, pass that on, uh, pass on the, 405 00:16:52.025 --> 00:16:54.685

the tribal knowledge to the, uh, to the folks that, uh, 406 00:16:54.955 --> 00:16:56.045 that are coming on board. 407 00:16:56.185 --> 00:16:59.445 And, uh, and that's all documented per our part 1 45 repair 408 00:16:59.445 --> 00:17:00.525 station and so forth. 409 00:17:01.805 --> 00:17:04.885 Additionally, uh, when there's stuff we can't do in-house, 410 00:17:05.185 --> 00:17:06.725 uh, for instance, engine overhauls 411 00:17:06.725 --> 00:17:09.285 and things like that, there are reputable shops. 412 00:17:09.285 --> 00:17:11.885 And we, again, have a QA process that we use 413 00:17:11.885 --> 00:17:13.685 to vet those shops to make sure 414 00:17:13.685 --> 00:17:17.485 that the engine overhauls on our airplanes are, are per the, 415 00:17:17.625 --> 00:17:20.005 per the spec, per the military manuals and so forth. 416 00:17:20.385 --> 00:17:23.285 So these airplanes are maintained very, very well, uh, 417 00:17:23.545 --> 00:17:26.085 per the military manuals with OEM parts 418  $00:17:26.225 \rightarrow 00:17:28.845$ and with the professionals that know how to work on them.

419 00:17:29.105 --> 00:17:31.485 And that's how we've been able to maintain the safety record 420 00:17:31.485 --> 00:17:32.805 with regard to the operations 421 00:17:32.805 --> 00:17:34.245 and the maintenance of these airplanes that we have. 422 00:17:37.095 --> 00:17:41.165 Parts specifically, uh, I mentioned the one, uh, example 423 00:17:41.385 --> 00:17:43.485 of the Impala 'cause we were able to get 424 00:17:43.485 --> 00:17:45.125 that part stored, and that's kind of rare. 425 00:17:45.425 --> 00:17:49.045 Um, there are other airframes that we operate 426 00:17:49.225 --> 00:17:52.085 and other folks operate that, uh, are not as easy. 427 00:17:52.185 --> 00:17:54.525 So what do you do in that case? Are the OEM parts available? 428 00:17:54.625 --> 00:17:55.685 Can you buy 'em sometimes? 429 00:17:56.305 --> 00:17:57.525 And if it's an older airplane 430 00:17:57.525 --> 00:17:59.565 or a unique airplane, people know they got 'em 431 00:17:59.565 --> 00:18:01.005 and they're not afraid to charge you for 'em. 432 00:18:01.025 --> 00:18:04.205

So, excuse me. We can get those parts. 433 00:18:04.585 --> 00:18:07.965 And sometimes when folks come to us, we have a, a, 434 00:18:08.035 --> 00:18:09.965 there's a bill that's associated that's associated 435 00:18:09.965 --> 00:18:11.725 with our support, and that bill tends 436 00:18:11.725 --> 00:18:13.085 to be a little on the high side. 437 00:18:13.085 --> 00:18:15.445 And part of that reason is these parts sometimes aren't 438 00:18:15.445 --> 00:18:17.845 that easy to find, but we're gonna make sure we find 'em 439 00:18:17.845 --> 00:18:19.325 to make sure that the operations are safe. 440 00:18:19.825 --> 00:18:21.245 Are there acceptable replacements? 441 00:18:22.025 --> 00:18:25.805 In many cases, there are, um, for instance, in helicopters 442 00:18:25.825 --> 00:18:27.365 or are OH 50 H 443 00:18:27.365 --> 00:18:30.525 and VO one oh fives have technically the same engines. 444 00:18:31.025 --> 00:18:33.085 Um, but some of the part numbers are different. 445 00:18:33.265 --> 00:18:35.205 So we have to go through a laborious process

446 00:18:35.305 --> 00:18:36.805 of verifying that there really are. 447 00:18:36.895 --> 00:18:39.245 Those part numbers really are interchangeable 448 00:18:39.245 --> 00:18:41.365 and work with the OEMs and so forth and stuff like that, 449 00:18:41.385 --> 00:18:43.365 and make sure that those parts, those, uh, 450 00:18:43.495 --> 00:18:46.205 those replacement parts are acceptable and safe. 4.51 00:18:46.985 --> 00:18:48.565 And then at the end of the day, sometimes 452 00:18:49.275 --> 00:18:51.165 I'll be the first one to admit, sometimes parts go away, 453 00:18:51.805 --> 00:18:54.285 particularly, um, particularly some of the, um, 454 00:18:54.545 --> 00:18:56.085 the airframe parts, machine parts. 455 00:18:57.195 --> 00:18:58.885 What do you do? We have one airplane. 456 00:18:58.885 --> 00:19:00.765 We fly, uh, the fire cracker. 457 00:19:01.385 --> 00:19:04.245 It is a, a prototype, uh, training or aircraft. 458 00:19:04.275 --> 00:19:05.405 It's a great little airplane. 459 00:19:05.585 --> 00:19:07.725

PT six does wonderful, uh, work 460 00:19:07.725 --> 00:19:09.285 for us both in training and flight test. 461 00:19:09.785 --> 00:19:13.005 Um, but they only build a handful of them, thankfully. 462 00:19:13.025 --> 00:19:15.045 We have the engineering, not only do we have the manuals, 463 00:19:15.045 --> 00:19:16.445 we have the engineering drawings for those, 464 00:19:16.625 --> 00:19:17.645 uh, for those airplanes. 465 00:19:17.705 --> 00:19:19.845 And we've had, uh, a part or two go bad. 466 00:19:19.845 --> 00:19:22.525 And we sent those engineering drawings to a machine shop 467 00:19:22.525 --> 00:19:23.685 and had them made per the spec 468 00:19:23.905 --> 00:19:24.925 and made head of shiny, 469 00:19:24.935 --> 00:19:26.525 brand new part made for the airplane. 470 00:19:26.825 --> 00:19:29.645 But again, it's per the drawing engineered 471 00:19:30.025 --> 00:19:32.525 and 100%, uh, professionally done and safe. 472 00:19:34.665 --> 00:19:36.045 So, other question about ejection seats,

473 00:19:36.105 --> 00:19:38.565 and here it is, there's one question I get more than any. 474 00:19:38.565 --> 00:19:39.685 It's about ejection seats. 475 00:19:40.145 --> 00:19:43.165 So we have four different airframes, uh, up in, uh, 476 00:19:43.185 --> 00:19:45.525 our corner of Mojave that have hot ejection seats. 477 00:19:45.585 --> 00:19:46.645 The Impala is one of them. 478 00:19:47.185 --> 00:19:49.645 Uh, the school operates, uh, L 30 nines, 479 00:19:49.785 --> 00:19:52.005 and, uh, they have a MIG 21 with hot seats. 480 00:19:52.465 --> 00:19:55.365 We operate, uh, f fives, uh, with hot seats as well. 481 00:19:55.985 --> 00:19:59.125 So how, how does that work? What's, what's the deal there? 482 00:19:59.745 --> 00:20:03.645 So, um, first of all, maintenance on the seats, uh, 483 00:20:03.665 --> 00:20:05.605 is a big deal that either has to be done 484 00:20:05.665 --> 00:20:06.805 by trained professionals. 485 00:20:06.985 --> 00:20:09.605 And for some of the seats that we have at our facility, 486 00:20:09.605 --> 00:20:13.125

we've sent our maintainers to school to, to learn how 487 00:20:13.125 --> 00:20:14.725 to work and overhaul those seats 488 00:20:15.185 --> 00:20:18.165 and developed our own training programs for the new, um, 489 00:20:18.865 --> 00:20:21.405 for the new, uh, um, maintainers that come through. 490 00:20:21.785 --> 00:20:24.245 Uh, and then in some cases, the seats just have to go out, 491 00:20:24.345 --> 00:20:25.765 uh, to either manufacturers 492 00:20:25.765 --> 00:20:27.325 or recognize shops to be looked at. 493 00:20:27.585 --> 00:20:29.805 And that's, uh, that's also available 494 00:20:29.945 --> 00:20:32.765 and done in certain cases, depending on the, on the aircraft 495 00:20:32.865 --> 00:20:34.565 and also our schedule availability. 496 00:20:35.745 --> 00:20:37.405 The biggest question is pyro, man. 497 00:20:37.475 --> 00:20:38.645 That is the toughest thing, 498 00:20:38.645 --> 00:20:40.085 and that is the most expensive thing. 499 00:20:41.255 --> 00:20:43.485 About half of the maintenance costs on some

500 00:20:43.485 --> 00:20:44.885 of these airplanes go into the 501 00:20:45.045 --> 00:20:46.565 pyrotechnics on the injection seats. 502 00:20:46.755 --> 00:20:49.605 It's that high. The seats have to be the, 503 00:20:49.625 --> 00:20:52.245 the pyro in some cases, uh, is not offered 504 00:20:52.245 --> 00:20:53.565 by original manufacturers. 505 00:20:54.025 --> 00:20:56.685 So there are experts, uh, there are organizations 506 00:20:56.685 --> 00:21:00.325 that offer, uh, offer, uh, replacements that are certified 507 00:21:00.385 --> 00:21:03.245 or offer extension programs, uh, for those seats. 508 00:21:03.665 --> 00:21:06.125 And they are available. And, uh, again, they're not cheap, 509 00:21:06.625 --> 00:21:08.245 um, but they're there and they're good. 510 00:21:08.245 --> 00:21:10.685 And they allow us to continue to operate these airplanes, 511 00:21:10.745 --> 00:21:12.965 uh, safely in some cases. 512 00:21:13.505 --> 00:21:17.045 The question comes up, what about operating, uh, an airplane 513 00:21:17.275 --> 00:21:20.045

that had originally had an ejection seat with cold seats? 514 00:21:20.595 --> 00:21:23.245 What, what do we think about that? Well, that depends. 515 00:21:23.375 --> 00:21:27.525 There are certain airplanes that, uh, that is entirely, 516 00:21:27.785 --> 00:21:28.805 uh, out of the question. 517 00:21:29.225 --> 00:21:31.045 Uh, a good example would be the F five 518 00:21:31.265 --> 00:21:33.405 or the MIG 21, uh, airplanes like that 519 00:21:33.405 --> 00:21:35.405 that have hydraulically boosted flight controls 520 00:21:35.405 --> 00:21:38.005 where if the engines quit, you have no options whatsoever. 521 00:21:38.505 --> 00:21:40.485 Um, that's, it's not an option to fly those, 522 00:21:40.535 --> 00:21:42.765 those vehicles without hot seats. 523 00:21:43.505 --> 00:21:44.885 Uh, some of the other airplanes, 524 00:21:44.885 --> 00:21:47.285 depending on the mission, it might be appropriate. 525 00:21:47.545 --> 00:21:49.525 Uh, we have a ACA that we operate 526 00:21:49.825 --> 00:21:52.205 and, uh, that airplane at times, uh,

527 00:21:52.205 --> 00:21:54.125 if the pyro is not available, um, 528 00:21:54.545 --> 00:21:56.725 or we feel it's actually safer to operate without it, 529 00:21:56.725 --> 00:21:58.325 if we're doing cross country work or, 530 00:21:58.545 --> 00:21:59.885 or docile sort of maneuvering 531 00:21:59.885 --> 00:22:02.725 and stuff, that is a, a short, uh, uh, 532 00:22:02.885 --> 00:22:05.165 Embraer Chicano is essentially a giant 533 00:22:05.445 --> 00:22:06.525 Cherokee with a PT six. 534 00:22:07.075 --> 00:22:08.765 It's cable pulley flight controls. 535 00:22:09.265 --> 00:22:11.245 If the engine quits, you can glide to landing, 536 00:22:11.625 --> 00:22:12.765 you know, all that kind of stuff. 537 00:22:13.225 --> 00:22:16.525 So that airplane, uh, in certain circumstances is safe 538 00:22:16.525 --> 00:22:18.765 to fly with, uh, with cold seats. 539 00:22:19.105 --> 00:22:20.805 Now, if we're going out and we're doing spins 540 00:22:20.805 --> 00:22:23.645

and we're doing, uh, experimental flight test, then we need, 541 00:22:23.645 --> 00:22:25.725 then we need an an egress method, certainly. 542 00:22:26.105 --> 00:22:28.645 Um, but there are cases where it's okay 543 00:22:28.645 --> 00:22:30.565 to fly these airplanes, uh, with cold seats, 544 00:22:30.565 --> 00:22:32.525 and we approach that on a case by case basis. 545 00:22:33.465 --> 00:22:35.565 All pilots and crew that fly on hot seats have 546 00:22:35.565 --> 00:22:37.205 to have training, just like you did in the military. 547 00:22:37.825 --> 00:22:40.365 Uh, we have FAA approved, uh, 548 00:22:40.605 --> 00:22:41.765 training programs for the seats. 549 00:22:41.825 --> 00:22:44.405 You can see in the picture there, one of our, uh, one 550 00:22:44.405 --> 00:22:45.485 of our clients is, uh, 551 00:22:45.705 --> 00:22:48.005 is getting their injection seat training, uh, for, 552 00:22:48.005 --> 00:22:49.245 that's the mark six seat that's 553 00:22:49.245 --> 00:22:50.285 in the, that's in the Impala.

554 00:22:50.345 --> 00:22:52.605 So that training is, uh, is paramount. 555 00:22:55.185 --> 00:22:57.085 So airworthiness is a big, big question. 556 00:22:59.345 --> 00:23:02.325 How do we get exper get airworthiness on airplanes like this 557 00:23:02.325 --> 00:23:04.885 that we're doing, um, that we're doing this testing on? 558 00:23:05.875 --> 00:23:07.925 Well, if it's a, if it's a civil contract, 559 00:23:07.925 --> 00:23:10.445 something we're doing for a civil, uh, organization, 560 00:23:10.755 --> 00:23:13.245 then we typically put the airplane in an experimental 561 00:23:13.245 --> 00:23:16.085 or worthiness category, probably research and development. 562 00:23:16.505 --> 00:23:20.045 And the FAA has to approve the changes that we make, either 563 00:23:20.045 --> 00:23:22.965 through our internal processes that we provide to them 564 00:23:23.505 --> 00:23:25.565 or through, uh, DER certification 565 00:23:25.825 --> 00:23:28.085 or their engineering reps, which they rarely do these days, 566 00:23:28.465 --> 00:23:29.525 uh, but they have in the past. 567 00:23:30.505 --> 00:23:32.925

So we get FAA approval to fly the airplanes, 568 00:23:32.925 --> 00:23:34.125 and if it's an RD certificate, 569 00:23:34.365 --> 00:23:35.525 they come out and check 'em every year. 570 00:23:35.665 --> 00:23:38.725 And they're under a, a pretty significant level of scrutiny. 571 00:23:39.065 --> 00:23:40.525 Uh, when it comes to FAA stuff, 572 00:23:41.105 --> 00:23:43.445 if it's the government using the airplane, either DOD 573 00:23:43.445 --> 00:23:44.965 or NASA or any of those organizations, 574 00:23:45.275 --> 00:23:47.405 then it falls under this public use category, 575 00:23:47.405 --> 00:23:50.125 which has been a back and forth between the FAA 576 00:23:50.125 --> 00:23:52.165 and the government for a number of years now. 577 00:23:52.665 --> 00:23:53.805 Uh, but then it's up to the 578 00:23:53.805 --> 00:23:55.285 utilizing agency and again, back. 579 00:23:55.505 --> 00:23:57.085 And, and that meaning, what I mean by 580 00:23:57.085 --> 00:23:58.565 that is if you're flying for the Air Force,

581 00:23:58.565 --> 00:23:59.725 they have their airworthiness process 582 00:23:59.825 --> 00:24:02.005 and that tail number that you're gonna fly for them has 583 00:24:02.005 --> 00:24:03.805 to go under their airworthiness process. 584 00:24:04.465 --> 00:24:06.845 Uh, same for the Navy and NASA and so forth. 585 00:24:07.425 --> 00:24:09.885 So we're, again, this comes back to a safety question. 586 00:24:10.505 --> 00:24:14.005 Excuse me. Now we have external organizations looking at the 587 00:24:14.005 --> 00:24:16.565 work that we're doing to ensure not only internally 588 00:24:16.565 --> 00:24:18.805 that our processes make sure that these vehicles are safe 589 00:24:18.805 --> 00:24:21.365 to operate, but now we have external eyes coming in 590 00:24:21.585 --> 00:24:24.405 and making sure that what we're doing is kosher and safe. 591 00:24:24.865 --> 00:24:27.845 So we have our own internal processes now we have external 592 00:24:27.845 --> 00:24:30.405 organizations coming in to look us over as well. 593 00:24:30.545 --> 00:24:32.765 So an added barrier of safety. 594 00:24:34.935 --> 00:24:36.915

And then we talk about the operations that we're doing, 595 00:24:37.095 --> 00:24:39.635 and we look at each operation from a standpoint 596 00:24:39.735 --> 00:24:41.035 of, of risk, right? 597 00:24:41.215 --> 00:24:43.675 So are we doing DVFR? Are we doing night IFR? 598 00:24:44.275 --> 00:24:45.995 Honestly, we don't do a lot of night IFR, right? 599 00:24:46.075 --> 00:24:47.275 A lot of what we're doing is flight tests. 600 00:24:47.275 --> 00:24:50.795 So it's DVFR, local area stuff, close to home base. 601 00:24:51.135 --> 00:24:52.875 We know where there's gonna be help if we need it. 602 00:24:52.875 --> 00:24:54.315 We know how to get home. We know the 603 00:24:54.315 --> 00:24:55.995 airspace, all that kind of stuff. 604 00:24:56.875 --> 00:24:57.635 Additionally, working areas, 605 00:24:57.635 --> 00:24:58.835 where are we gonna do this stuff? 606 00:24:59.195 --> 00:25:02.395 A lot of our customers come to us solely for the fact 607 00:25:02.395 --> 00:25:03.875 that they need a, they need a sandbox,

608 00:25:03.875 --> 00:25:04.995 they need a place to play. 609 00:25:05.385 --> 00:25:07.115 They have, uh, their facilities, 610 00:25:07.115 --> 00:25:08.355 particularly testing components 611 00:25:08.415 --> 00:25:09.875 and things like that, other places 612 00:25:09.895 --> 00:25:11.475 around the country and around the world. 613 00:25:11.665 --> 00:25:13.275 They don't wanna try and operate in the NAS 614 00:25:13.275 --> 00:25:14.435 with block altitudes and stuff, 615 00:25:14.635 --> 00:25:16.035 although it's doable, it's difficult. 616 00:25:16.265 --> 00:25:18.635 They want to come out to a place that has the ranges. 617 00:25:18.635 --> 00:25:20.275 So it's things that they don't have to worry about. 618 00:25:20.415 --> 00:25:22.675 And that, and frankly, that makes things a lot safer 619 00:25:22.675 --> 00:25:24.795 because it's, it's less complication 62.0 00:25:25.215 --> 00:25:26.395 and it also has several. 621 00:25:26.655 --> 00:25:29.915

Uh, we also have several, uh, re uh, facilities for, 622 00:25:30.095 --> 00:25:32.755 for assistance in, in case of, uh, of an emergency. 62.3 00:25:32.755 --> 00:25:35.995 You know, our, our Crash Fire rescue is trained not only in 624 00:25:35.995 --> 00:25:38.395 the standard stuff, but any, uh, additional flight tests, 625 00:25:38.535 --> 00:25:43.115 um, um, special, uh, special, um, topics that we need 62.6 00:25:43.115 --> 00:25:44.755 to go brief them on and things like that. 627 00:25:44.855 --> 00:25:48.915 So the area is really important, uh, to, to this, 628 00:25:49.015 --> 00:25:50.155 the safety of the flight test. 629 00:25:50.215 --> 00:25:53.715 And if we could provide an a, an area that, uh, 630 00:25:54.265 --> 00:25:56.315 that gives folks that latitude, uh, 631 00:25:56.315 --> 00:25:57.395 we increase their safety. 632 00:25:58.175 --> 00:25:59.995 Um, and of course, looking at risk level, 633 00:26:00.055 --> 00:26:02.715 we all do this low, medium, high, looking at our, uh, 634 00:26:02.715 --> 00:26:04.235 stoplight charts and so forth.

635 00:26:04.575 --> 00:26:07.915 Uh, that depends. That drives how much we have 636 00:26:07.915 --> 00:26:09.835 to take a look at some of the, you know, the maintenance 637 00:26:09.835 --> 00:26:11.515 and the design engineering stuff on, on 638 00:26:11.515 --> 00:26:12.675 what we do with these airplanes. 639 00:26:15.385 --> 00:26:17.235 Another thing that's interesting, uh, 640 00:26:17.715 --> 00:26:19.675 whenever we're doing this kind of flight test is, 641 00:26:19.815 --> 00:26:21.875 is who's in charge of the test? 642 00:26:22.615 --> 00:26:23.795 And that varies. 643 00:26:24.135 --> 00:26:26.195 Um, we have every, at our facility, 644 00:26:26.245 --> 00:26:29.075 we've had customers come in that, uh, come in 645 00:26:29.075 --> 00:26:30.795 and say, Hey, we just need a facility. 646 00:26:30.885 --> 00:26:32.195 We've got everything dialed in. 647 00:26:32.195 --> 00:26:35.275 We've got our test plan, we just need a home to do this 648 00:26:35.495 --> 00:26:37.275

for a couple of weeks, or something like that. 649 00:26:37.535 --> 00:26:39.475 So they come in and we give 'em space 650 00:26:39.575 --> 00:26:41.435 and we talk 'em through the airspace area brief 651 00:26:41.495 --> 00:26:44.565 and have at it, bro, all the way to the fact that, Hey, 652 00:26:44.585 --> 00:26:46.685 we got this airplane with a modification 653 00:26:46.685 --> 00:26:47.725 and we wanna give you the airplane 654 00:26:47.725 --> 00:26:48.765 and have you run the flight test 655 00:26:48.765 --> 00:26:50.525 to do the whole certification and all that kind of stuff. 656 00:26:50.785 --> 00:26:52.125 And then we're owning a test program. 657 00:26:53.145 --> 00:26:55.205 Um, those two scenarios are pretty cut 658 00:26:55.205 --> 00:26:57.085 and dry as to who's, uh, who's calling the shots, 659 00:26:57.085 --> 00:26:58.845 particularly from a, from a safety perspective. 660 00:26:59.265 --> 00:27:01.765 But when we get into mixed test teams 661 00:27:02.425 --> 00:27:04.965 and, um, customers that come in

662 00:27:05.065 --> 00:27:07.245 and they want, you know, they want our test pilot 663 00:27:07.345 --> 00:27:10.085 and our FTEA little bit of our data analysis, 664 00:27:10.085 --> 00:27:11.325 they wanna operate on our place, 665 00:27:11.345 --> 00:27:12.485 but they wanna run the test, 666 00:27:12.995 --> 00:27:15.125 that can get a little interesting when it comes 667 00:27:15.185 --> 00:27:16.845 to the question of safety. 668 00:27:17.305 --> 00:27:20.045 The way we have handled that at our facility is in all 669 00:27:20.045 --> 00:27:22.285 of our contracts, everybody holds a safety 670 00:27:22.285 --> 00:27:23.525 hammer, including us. 671 00:27:24.225 --> 00:27:27.045 And we let the folks know when they come to our facility, 672 00:27:27.145 --> 00:27:29.165 Hey, we're gonna run this through our safety process, 673 00:27:29.625 --> 00:27:31.245 and if we don't like what we see, we're not gonna do it. 674 00:27:31.385 --> 00:27:35.525 And by the way, you know, payment is not based on execution 675 00:27:35.525 --> 00:27:37.605

for a safety reason on either side. 676 00:27:38.065 --> 00:27:41.725 So that has, that has led to some interesting conversations. 677 00:27:41.825 --> 00:27:43.325 The good news is, is as long 678 00:27:43.325 --> 00:27:45.965 as those conversations are had at the beginning 679 00:27:45.965 --> 00:27:48.085 of the program, when the contract is being written, 680 00:27:48.515 --> 00:27:50.605 it's usually pretty well received by everybody. 681 00:27:50.845 --> 00:27:52.845 'cause it makes everybody comfortable to know 682 00:27:53.115 --> 00:27:54.365 that they have the safety hammer 683 00:27:54.705 --> 00:27:58.565 and that they can, they can, uh, they can call, call a cease 684 00:27:58.625 --> 00:28:01.005 and help this help the program and make it safer. 685 00:28:01.425 --> 00:28:05.165 But it's really important as you, as you roll into some 686 00:28:05.165 --> 00:28:08.165 of these hybrid, um, hybrid flight test programs, 687 00:28:08.165 --> 00:28:10.285 hybrid test teams, to determine who's 688 00:28:10.285 --> 00:28:11.325 that hammer, who has that hammer?

689 00:28:11.425 --> 00:28:14.205 And contractually write it down as to who can, 690 00:28:14.505 --> 00:28:17.845 who can say yes and no to, to doing certain, uh, events. 691 00:28:22.405 --> 00:28:26.265 So lastly, so let's say you work for a big OEM 692 00:28:26.325 --> 00:28:29.865 or the Air Force or whoever, and you wanna go out 693 00:28:29.865 --> 00:28:31.065 and hire somebody, uh, 694 00:28:31.165 --> 00:28:33.025 all I can tell you is be cautious in your selection. 695 00:28:33.025 --> 00:28:34.745 Obviously, I think very highly of our facility. 696 00:28:34.765 --> 00:28:36.345 I'm extremely proud of the work 697 00:28:36.345 --> 00:28:37.905 that our facility has done over the years. 698 00:28:38.325 --> 00:28:42.105 Uh, but I've seen a lot of, um, other, other places that, 699 00:28:42.165 --> 00:28:44.145 uh, I've, I've, I've been a part 700 00:28:44.205 --> 00:28:46.505 of programs at other places I've worked, uh, 701 00:28:46.505 --> 00:28:48.345 where we've met some, met 702 00:28:48.345 --> 00:28:50.945

with some suboptimal test results, if you will. 703 00:28:51.415 --> 00:28:54.905 Look at their capabilities, what they say they can do versus 704 00:28:55.335 --> 00:28:58.025 what they actually can do and what they have done. 705 00:28:58.125 --> 00:29:00.265 Can they provide you with examples? 706 00:29:00.845 --> 00:29:03.785 Um, do they have in-house maintenance or is it farmed out? 707 00:29:03.785 --> 00:29:05.305 This is so huge. I, 708 00:29:05.385 --> 00:29:06.905 I can't say enough about our maintenance staff. 709 00:29:06.985 --> 00:29:08.505 I love our guys. They work their tails off. 710 00:29:08.505 --> 00:29:10.105 They know the airplanes like the back of their hand, 711 00:29:10.245 --> 00:29:12.025 and we couldn't do what we do without 'em. 712 00:29:12.525 --> 00:29:13.985 Uh, when we're doing flight testing 713 00:29:14.325 --> 00:29:16.545 and we're looking at modifying airplanes, airplanes 714 00:29:16.545 --> 00:29:18.705 that they know, we go, Hey, dude, what if we do this? 715 00:29:18.755 --> 00:29:20.385Don't know. You can't do that

716 00:29:20.385 --> 00:29:21.985 because there's this thing here or that thing there. 717 00:29:22.125 --> 00:29:25.065 Or better yet, when we come, come to them with an idea, 718 00:29:25.065 --> 00:29:26.465 they tell us why our idea is bad, 719 00:29:26.465 --> 00:29:27.745 but they come up with a better idea 720 00:29:28.245 --> 00:29:29.945 and they're there to shepherd it. 721 00:29:29.945 --> 00:29:32.865 And they're really the hands-on guys that can respond 722 00:29:32.885 --> 00:29:34.865 to the modifications we wanna make. 723 00:29:34.885 --> 00:29:36.665 If you don't have that while you're doing, uh, 724 00:29:36.665 --> 00:29:38.465 flight testing and you gotta farm out maintenance, 725 00:29:38.465 --> 00:29:39.825 every time there's a problem with the airplane, 726 00:29:40.015 --> 00:29:41.245 that gets really challenging. 727 00:29:41.705 --> 00:29:43.245 Uh, so it's, it's hard to do. 728 00:29:44.185 --> 00:29:46.405 And then we already, we already talked about experience. 729 00:29:46.795 --> 00:29:50.005

I'll tell one war story, uh, with a company 730 00:29:50.005 --> 00:29:51.165 that will remain nameless. 731 00:29:51.505 --> 00:29:52.765 And another, before I, 732 00:29:52.765 --> 00:29:54.445 before I start working at flight research, years ago, 733 00:29:54.445 --> 00:29:55.445 I worked for another organization 7.34 00:29:56.345 --> 00:29:58.965 and all names will be, will be, uh, 735 00:29:59.445 --> 00:30:00.925 redacted to protect the innocent. 736 00:30:01.465 --> 00:30:04.285 But we hired an organization, uh, to do a, 737 00:30:04.445 --> 00:30:05.565 a short run flight test. 738 00:30:05.625 --> 00:30:08.165 We just needed to do one or two flights on a new component. 739 00:30:08.865 --> 00:30:10.885 And this organization, I don't know 740 00:30:11.055 --> 00:30:13.325 where the folks found it, they found these folks. 741 00:30:13.385 --> 00:30:15.965 And, uh, I was tasked to lead the, the flight tests. 742 00:30:16.035 --> 00:30:17.165 It's like, okay, here you're gonna go

743 00:30:17.165 --> 00:30:20.205 and you're gonna fly this thing with this dude at his, uh, 744 00:30:20.425 --> 00:30:22.165 mom and pop flight test organization. 745 00:30:22.185 --> 00:30:23.405 And we told him what you wanna do, 746 00:30:23.905 --> 00:30:25.845 and, um, you're cleared hot 747 00:30:25.845 --> 00:30:27.405 and it's all paid for and all that good stuff. 748 00:30:28.025 --> 00:30:29.525 So we talked to the guy, 749 00:30:29.625 --> 00:30:31.365 we went over the flight test, we talked to him. 750 00:30:31.465 --> 00:30:33.325 He didn't really have much of a safety process, 751 00:30:33.425 --> 00:30:35.125 it was just kind of him and his airplanes. 752 00:30:36.065 --> 00:30:37.485 And, uh, long story short, 753 00:30:37.485 --> 00:30:39.525 we were out in the airplane doing a couple maneuvers, 754 00:30:39.525 --> 00:30:42.365 and I looked over at the, at number one at the left engine, 755 00:30:42.405 --> 00:30:44.965 I saw a bead of oil on the back of the, uh, of the, 756 00:30:44.965 --> 00:30:46.365

uh, engine cowling. 757 00:30:46.365 --> 00:30:48.645 And I said, Hey, man, got some oil back there. 758 00:30:49.225 --> 00:30:50.445 And, uh, he said, yeah, you know, 759 00:30:50.445 --> 00:30:52.285 my mechanic hates it when we do stuff like this 760 00:30:52.305 --> 00:30:54.165 and that come back and there's no oil left in the engine, 761 00:30:55.385 --> 00:30:58.045 and that would get anybody's attention, right? 762 00:30:58.065 --> 00:31:01.605 And at that point, we, uh, I calmly ceased the testing 763 00:31:01.825 --> 00:31:03.445 and said, why don't we go head on back? 764 00:31:03.445 --> 00:31:04.805 We got some stuff we gotta talk about. 765 00:31:05.425 --> 00:31:06.685 So we went back and obviously we 766 00:31:06.685 --> 00:31:07.805 didn't use that facility again. 767 00:31:08.265 --> 00:31:10.525 Um, so that's the kind of threats that are out there, 768 00:31:10.945 --> 00:31:13.925 as opposed to folks that, uh, are part of, again, 769 00:31:13.925 --> 00:31:16.365 the more professional organizations that have the things

770 00:31:16.365 --> 00:31:18.485 that you would expect to see and that you can challenge them 771 00:31:18.485 --> 00:31:19.965 and ask them to see if they have it. 772 00:31:22.905 --> 00:31:26.005 Um, other challenges when you get into this kind of, uh, 773 00:31:26.075 --> 00:31:28.205 this kind of flight test, again, from a safety standpoint, 774 00:31:28.605 --> 00:31:31.725 contracts get very unique with sets of, uh, sets 775 00:31:31.725 --> 00:31:33.965 of requirements and does not fit a mold 776 00:31:34.145 --> 00:31:36.285 of standard contracts, either from a safety 777 00:31:36.305 --> 00:31:37.565 or a general standpoint. 778 00:31:38.025 --> 00:31:40.045 Uh, because there's very, you know, 779 00:31:40.385 --> 00:31:42.845 we wanna put this camera here, looking at this angle, 780 00:31:42.845 --> 00:31:44.125 taking this thing and all that. 781 00:31:44.265 --> 00:31:45.605 So you have to be very specific 782 00:31:45.905 --> 00:31:47.845 or have a robust contract that can, 783 00:31:48.195 --> 00:31:50.005

that can be remain flexible. 784 00:31:50.505 --> 00:31:52.765 You wanna talk about insurance that comes back to safety 785 00:31:52.765 --> 00:31:56.165 because that talks about ri risk tolerance, um, um, 786 00:31:56.245 --> 00:31:58.325 intellectual property, not really a safety thing, 787 00:31:58.325 --> 00:32:01.525 but something that will come up in the, uh, in the, uh, um, 788 00:32:02.285 --> 00:32:04.405 contracts and then, uh, clearances 789 00:32:04.405 --> 00:32:05.445 and any proprietary information. 790 00:32:05.755 --> 00:32:08.325 I've got a ton of videos as I'm giving you this brief. 791 00:32:08.445 --> 00:32:10.325 I got all this stuff I would love to show you. 792 00:32:10.625 --> 00:32:12.045 My customers just wouldn't be really 793 00:32:12.045 --> 00:32:13.245 happy if I showed it to you. 794 00:32:13.345 --> 00:32:15.525 So again, proprietary issues and, 795 00:32:15.525 --> 00:32:16.885 and clearance issues can come up 796 00:32:16.885 --> 00:32:19.245 and that all has a impact on safety, right?

797 00:32:20.825 --> 00:32:22.925 So, uh, what I talked about today, the, the, 798 00:32:22.955 --> 00:32:25.005 this civil contract flight test is out there. 799 00:32:25.225 --> 00:32:27.485 It can be done very professionally, very safely 800 00:32:27.835 --> 00:32:29.165 with the right providers. 801 00:32:29.225 --> 00:32:30.645 Flight research in Mojave. 802 00:32:30.645 --> 00:32:31.805 Gotta throw it out there to us, 803 00:32:32.025 --> 00:32:33.445 but we're not the only ones out there. 804 00:32:33.865 --> 00:32:34.965 Uh, each one is unique. 805 00:32:34.965 --> 00:32:37.445 We have our different capabilities, our different aircraft, 806 00:32:37.945 --> 00:32:39.405 air crew, different size 807 00:32:39.805 --> 00:32:41.045 companies and different experiences. 808 00:32:41.145 --> 00:32:44.285 But we're all here for you, uh, to support whatever, uh, 809 00:32:44.605 --> 00:32:46.125 whatever flight test needs you have. 810 00:32:46.125 --> 00:32:47.725

And we're happy, we're happy to do that. 811 00:32:49.905 --> 00:32:51.245 So with that, I'll take some questions. 812 00:32:51.245 --> 00:32:53.725 There's, uh, there's my contact information. 813 00:32:54.145 --> 00:32:57.365 Uh, you can feel free to, uh, to shoot me an email 814 00:32:57.625 --> 00:32:59.525 or, uh, gimme a call anytime you like. 815 00:32:59.605 --> 00:33:01.725 I, I love talking about flight test and airplanes 816 00:33:01.725 --> 00:33:04.485 and safety, so feel free to, uh, to ask anytime. 817 00:33:05.225 --> 00:33:07.325 Um, so one question, 818 00:33:07.435 --> 00:33:08.805 I've already got a couple questions here. 819 00:33:09.305 --> 00:33:12.725 Uh, one was about the 3 26 accident that was in, um, 820 00:33:12.985 --> 00:33:14.045 in Moja in March. 821 00:33:14.555 --> 00:33:16.485 Unfortunately, the investigation is still 822 00:33:16.485 --> 00:33:17.965 ongoing in that event. 823 00:33:19.225 --> 00:33:21.405 Um, so I can't say anything official.

824 00:33:21.405 --> 00:33:24.245 The NTSB is still wrapping up their investigation. 825 00:33:24.905 --> 00:33:29.645 Uh, what I can tell you is, um, that both, uh, uh, 826 00:33:29.785 --> 00:33:32.165 so it was, it was an airplane owned by flight research 827 00:33:32.965 --> 00:33:34.685 operated by the national test pilot school. 828 00:33:34.945 --> 00:33:37.765 Uh, both organizations are operating the Impalas, uh, 829 00:33:37.765 --> 00:33:40.525 full up again after our own internal investigations. 830 00:33:41.025 --> 00:33:44.885 Uh, so we have, uh, uh, analyzed the situation, 831 00:33:45.245 --> 00:33:48.245 analyzed the event, uh, taken appropriate safety measures 832 00:33:48.345 --> 00:33:50.045 to, uh, to mitigate any recurrence 833 00:33:50.425 --> 00:33:52.245 and, uh, continue to operations. 8.34 00:33:52.745 --> 00:33:55.165 And the reason for that will come out in the, uh, 835 00:33:55.185 --> 00:33:57.645 in the NTSB report, uh, when it does, 836 00:33:57.645 --> 00:33:58.765 when it is finally released. 837 00:33:59.185 --> 00:34:01.725

Uh, but unfortunately 'cause it's an ongoing investigation 838 00:34:02.265 --> 00:34:03.325 and, uh, and we are, 839 00:34:03.625 --> 00:34:05.285 we are assisting with that investigation. 840 00:34:05.485 --> 00:34:08.605 I can't say more than that. Uh, another question. 841 00:34:08.625 --> 00:34:10.125 Are any of the seats zero? Zero? Yeah. 842 00:34:10.225 --> 00:34:12.725 Um, a couple of seats are R zero zero. 843 00:34:13.385 --> 00:34:15.845 Um, the APOL seats are zero, zero. 844 00:34:16.465 --> 00:34:19.765 The, uh, F five, L 39 are not, 845 00:34:20.225 --> 00:34:21.445 and I'm not sure about the mig. 846 00:34:21.625 --> 00:34:24.125 Um, I haven't, I haven't looked at that one in a while, 847 00:34:24.145 --> 00:34:25.925 so I, I'd have to go answer that question. 848 00:34:28.675 --> 00:34:32.645 Well, any, any other questions, uh, that folks, uh, have 849 00:34:32.705 --> 00:34:36.245 for me, uh, regarding the, regarding this topic 850 00:34:36.305 --> 00:34:37.525 or anything else that we do?

851 00:34:44.845 --> 00:34:47.455 Okay, I think we're coming right up on break time. 8.52 00:34:47.675 --> 00:34:49.655 Is that right? Turbo? 853 00:34:50.295 --> 00:34:53.775 I did that on purpose. Yeah, it's very good timing. 854 00:34:56.715 --> 00:34:58.055 Yep. Well done Gary. Thanks. 855 00:34:58.195 --> 00:35:00.335 Uh, we'll take ourselves into the break 856 00:35:00.475 --> 00:35:01.495 so it'll run the clock. 857 00:35:01.555 --> 00:35:03.335 So we'll see everyone in about 15 minutes. 858 00:35:05.145 --> 00:35:05.265 I.