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ZEMAN: Kilo Bravo, Midway Tower here.

PILOT: Yes, sir, we're with you now for circle to two two left.

ZEMAN: Six one two Kilo Bravo, where are you parked at there?

PILOT: We gotta go to Atlantic.

ZEMAN: Atlantic? Make a left traffic to two two left; one will depart out ahead of you and the winds are one eight zero at one five.

PILOT: OK, left traffic Runway two two left, one two Kilo Bravo, understand departure.

ZEMAN: And Kilo Bravo, just roll out to a true downwind on a forty heading for me. I'll call the base. I won't take you out no more than two miles. I'm going to put two out ahead of you.

PILOT: No problem tower ... One Two Kilo Bravo.

ZEMAN: Kilo Bravo, Runway two two left, you're cleared to land. The winds are oneeight zero at one zero.

PILOT: Kilo Bravo, two two roger. Our engines are ... we're trying to get them unstuck. We may have to make another approach.

ZEMAN: Allright. Just keep me advised. Let me know if you need any special assistance.

PILOT: Well, OK. So far, it's doing OK. One two Kilo Bravo.

ZEMAN: Allright, Southwest eighteen forty three. Go to a true downwind. I got one with just a bit of problem out here. You can slow it back for me. I'll take you out about two miles before the base leg.

SOUTHWEST 1843: (Unintelligible).

ZEMAN: Yeah. The little guy out there ... that's why I restricted you to roll out to a forty heading. I'll take you out to about two miles and bring you back in. I got one on a base leg that I'm trying to get a problem straightened out with and I'll bring you down in behind him.

SOUTHWEST 1843: OK ... Southwest eighteen forty three.

ZEMAN: OK, two Kilo Bravo you're cleared to land Runway two two left. Just keep me advised. If you do happen to go around, just fly the runway heading and the winds are one eight zero at one five.

PILOT: Allright tower, Two Kilo Bravo.

ZEMAN: And Kilo Bravo, so you're going to execute the go-around and what would you like to do sir?

PILOT: I'd like to make another round on the approach sir.

ZEMAN: You want to do a VFR in the pattern or do you want to go out and do IFR?

PILOT: I like to do it right here now. We're not going to make it out. We're declaring an emergency. One two Kilo Bravo.

ZEMAN: OK. Declaring an emergency?

PILOT: Yes sir.

ZEMAN: OK. Southwest eighteen forty three, you know what I'm going to have to do for you sir is roll inbound on a final, start a climb to three thousand feet. Do it quickly for me. I've got an emergency coming inbound, just off your nose.

SOUTHWEST 1843: Climbing to three thousand ... Southwest eighteen forty three.

ZEMAN: Kilo Bravo understand emergency. You're clear to land any runway. Seven thirty seven northeast of the field about to climb above your altitude. Winds one eight zero at one five.

PILOT: Yes sir.

GROUND OPS VEHICLE: Tower, Airport eighty four ... (unintelligible)

ZEMAN: Airport 84, roger, hold short of all runways for now.

GROUND OPS VEHICLE: Airport eighty four.

ZEMAN: Southwest eighteen forty three nice job on the altitude, just fly a two twenty heading, I'm just gonna have to send you around.

SOUTHWEST 1843: Eighteen twenty nine not a problem ... eighteen forty three.

ZEMAN: Wind check one eight zero at one five.

SOUTHWEST 1843: Southwest eighteen forty three, we're going to keep it slow here... (unintelligible)

ZEMAN: That's fine. Just a two twenty heading. I'm probably going to have to put you back in line for everybody. Sorry about that. But we've got the folks down now.

SOUTHWEST 1843: Tower we understand.

ZEMAN: Two Kilo Bravo nice job sir and do you need anybody out there to help you out?

PILOT: Yes sir we do. One two Kilo Bravo.

ZEMAN: OK you can just park it right there sir. I've got emergency equipment coming out for you. You can just sit tight there.

PILOT: Thank you, will do.

PILOT: Tower one two Kilo Bravo, we're going to shut down here. Everything's OK. We've just got a ...

ZEMAN: Kilo Bravo roger. Understand you've got it shut down. I've got two vehicles on their way right now to help you out and I've got the rescue boys coming out too.

PILOT: One two Kilo Bravo we'll be able to exit the aircraft on my own.

ZEMAN: Allright. Yeah, I've got a vehicle pulling up right behind you right now and they'll be able to take you back to the facility.

PILOT: Thank you sir.

ZEMAN: Sure.