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N242AV: Approach, November two alpha victor...

DUKEMAN: Two alpha victor, go ahead.

N242AV: Yes sir, uh, we are now with, uh, IMC situation. Can you advise us

to, uh, landing for nearby airport?

DUKEMAN: You say you want to land at the nearest airport?

N242AV: Yes sir.

DUKEMAN: Yes, I show the nearest airport to be Bradford, Pennsylvania.

Bravo-foxtrot-delta.

N242AV: Yes sir, uh, I'm very confusing for here so...

DUKEMAN: Uh, two alpha victor, now that I see you've been heading, uh, you

were heading northbound, a closer airport for you would be Olean,

Olean, New York.

N242AV: Uh, what about the B-F-D, B-F-D?

DUKEMAN: Uh, two alpha victor, I'm showing you are two-five miles, twenty-five

miles from Bradford on a one ninety heading.

DUKEMAN: November two alpha victor, Cleveland.

ERIE APP: Boma.

DUKEMAN: Do you happen to see that two-four-two alpha victor out there? Uh,

the last I had contact with him was just west of Olean at thirty-four

hundred feet, somewhere in there.

ERIE APP: Yeah I saw him when he was closer to victor thirty-three

I...alternately, you know it's been coming up every, every few

minutes, and it looks like he had it trying to go eastbound. He

wasn't moving very fast.

DUKEMAN: Alright. That's the, uh, last, uh, communications I had with him too.

He's been having a lot of troubles.

DUKEMAN: November two-four-two alpha victor, Cleveland.

N242AV: Uh, two alpha victor go ahead.

DUKEMAN: And what is your altitude right now?

N242AV: Right now is at three thousand.

DUKEMAN: Uh, is there any way you can maintain four thousand in that area?

N242AV: Okay, so I'm gonna climb up to four thousand.

DUKEMAN: That heading looks good, whatever you're on right now, is that

about a one-ninety heading?

N242AV: Uh, I'm gonna go into Deer Airport [unintelligible], uh how, how high

to the, this cloud is at?

DUKEMAN: Are you asking how high the clouds are in that area?

N242AV: Yes sir, I want to know.

DUKEMAN: I show a broken layer at, uh, Bradford, two thousand feet.

DUKEMAN: Uh, two alpha victor, are you IFR qualified?

N242AV: No sir, I'm on a VFR only.

DUKEMAN: Okay, very good. I would suggest that you continue heading south

because the, uh, the worst part of the weather is behind you right

now. What are the conditions for you right now at five thousand?

N242AV: Five thousand is the IMC, horrible.

DUKEMAN: And two alpha victor, are you descending now?

N242AV: Uh, three thousand five hundred inches, uh, uh I'm gonna looking

for the, uh, downtown lights now.

DUKEMAN: Okay, so it sounds like you're in VFR conditions?

N242AV: Yeah...pretty...it's at, uh, VFR but it's very hard to the...

DUKEMAN: When I give you the UNICOM frequency for Bradford, and I send

you over to the UNICOM, are you gonna be able to, uh, turn on the

runway lights using your, uh, microphone?

N242AV: Yes sir, uh that is, uh, one-two-three point zero-seven, is correct?

DUKEMAN: That is correct. It is one-two-three point zero-seven.

DUKEMAN: Okay, two alpha victor, I'm gonna lose radar contact on you, uh,

because of the altitude that you're at. I show you ten miles, ten

miles due north of the Bradford Airport.

DUKEMAN: Uh, two alpha victor, do you have Bradford in sight? The airport?

N242AV: Not yet sir. Uh...yes, oh. Right now I have, uh, in sight the airport

now.

DUKEMAN: So you have the airport in sight right now and you turned on the

runway lights. Is that right?

N242AV: Yes sir, yes it is. I'm gonna try to VFR, uh, landing.

DUKEMAN: You're gonna try a VFR landing, okay two alpha victor, and when

you safely land give me a call on that number that I gave you.

N242AV: Yes sir, I will.

N242AV: Yeah, this is Antonio. I'm, uh, two-four-two alpha victor, uh, pilot.

SUPERVISOR: Yes.

N242AV: Oh, thank you very much sir...

SUPERVISOR: Uh, you're on the ground?

N242AV: Yes sir, right now.

SUPERVISOR: Alright, you have a good night.

N242AV: You saved my life (chuckling).

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