



RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE

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Date: March 21, 2013
Person Contacted: Mr. Jim Wesley, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)
NTSB Accident Number: CEN13LA188

Narrative:

Mr. Wesley inspected the following areas on the accident airplane:

1. The steering bungee was removed and inspected. No defects found. Approximately 50 lb of pressure was required to move bungee spring.
2. Rudder cable tension was checked and found to be slightly less (35 lb) than factory specifications of 40 lb. +/- 5 lb.
3. Rudder trim wheel was found in the neutral position.
4. Rake angle of the nose gear was measured with a .020 shim between the nose gear steering rollers and the steering arm. Rake angle was determined to be 90 degrees.
5. N715BB has a 500 x 5, 6 ply tire. Tire pressure on March 19, 2013 was 32 psi. The service manual specification is 50 psi.