



September 6, 2013

John Brannon
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Dear Sir,

I am the A&P Mechanic that resealed the left main landing gear actuator on N805DC that had the gear up landing at River Falls Airport on March 27, 2013. When I resealed the actuator I only disassembled it to the point of being able to replace the seal in the cap of the actuator where the piston rod goes through it. I performed the maintenance per Western Hydraulics Overhaul Manual P/N 6-3797-2. The only adjustment that was performed on the actuator was the length of the piston assembly with the rod end attached. The landing gear was cycled and checked numerous times before it was returned to service. A letter from the insurance company to Denny O'Hara states that the actuator had not been properly adjusted during reinstallation after the actuator had been resealed. The aircraft had completed several uneventful flights after the actuator was resealed, prior to the gear up landing.

Regards,

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Brent Smith
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