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Central Region – Arlington, Texas

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The FAA performed an on scene investigation of the unregistered power parachute and also interviewed the pilot. The on-scene examination revealed the powered parachute struck a set of 30-foot-tall power lines. Damage to the aircraft was consistent with it hitting the ground in a nose-down attitude resulting in fractures to the airframe. The FAA was able to start the Rotax 582 engine and run it successfully through its full power band. The pilot said that he was flying low (about 40 feet above the ground) before the accident occurred and there were no mechanical issues with the aircraft prior to impact with the power lines.

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