

Memorandum of Conversation

Date: 17 August 2014

Time: 2000 central daylight time

Conversation Including: Mario Errante, Pilot/Owner

Conversation Regarding: CEN14LA436, N60PE

Duration of Call: 15 Minutes



Summary & Factual Information from Conversation:

Mr. Errante reported that during the accident flight he had successfully completed 6 landings at several airports before deciding to return to the departure airport for a final landing. He stated that the tail wheel-equipped airplane bounced upon touchdown on runway 18. In an attempt to recover from the bounced landing, Mr. Errante maintained pitch attitude to allow the airplane to settle back to the runway. After the second touchdown, the airplane began a left swerve. Mr. Errante stated that he was unable to regain directional control of the airplane and it subsequently departed off the left side of the runway. The airplane came to rest in a nose-down attitude in a grassy area located alongside the runway. Mr. Errante reported that there were no mechanical malfunctions or failures with the airplane that would have prevented its normal operation during the accident flight. Additionally, Mr. Errante stated that the cause of the accident was his failure to maintain focused on the task of landing the airplane instead of another task such as where to exit the runway following the landing.

--- End of interview summary ---

I can attest that the above summary and factual information was taken on the above stated day, and is correct to the best of my knowledge:

Signed: _ Andrew Todd Fox _

Dated: _ 17 August 2014 _

Andrew Todd Fox
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