



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Person Contacted: Inspector Jimmy Stahl - FAA
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Narrative:

During a telephone conversation with Inspector Stahl, he stated the Lycoming O-540-G1A5 engine was examined and disassembled under his supervision at the operator's facility. To begin the examination, the inspector and operator were going to perform a compression check when the engine locked up. They then disassembled the engine accessory case which revealed a crankshaft idler gear shaft failed and separated from the accessory gear case. The failed idler gear shaft and attach hardware were not located which prevented a metallurgical examination of the failed components. Photographs and documentation of the engine were completed.