



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: June 19, 2016
Person Contacted: Christopher Cotton
NTSB Accident Number: CEN16LA225

Narrative:

FAA Inspector Christopher Cotton was contacted by this investigator and asked about the circumstances surrounding the accident. He stated he went to the scene and examined the airplane. He found no fuel in either tank and saw no evidence of a fuel spill. He further stated there was no post-impact fire.

Inspector Cotton later interviewed the pilot in the hospital. The pilot told him that he had departed Spirit of St. Louis Airport about 1730 CDT and was en route to William P. Hobby Airport. When he was about 6 miles north of Hobby Airport, the engine lost power. He said he advised the controller that he would not be able to make it to the airport.

Inspector Cotton said he contacted Hobby Airport tower and learned that the controller had dispatched emergency equipment to the airplane's last known position, and that a police helicopter found the wreckage on the roof of a 40-foot tall warehouse. Emergency responders treated the pilot at the scene, then lowered him from the warehouse roof and transported him to the hospital.

Inspector Cotton said the pilot told him the engine lost power due to fuel exhaustion.