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Central Region

Record of Telephone Conversation

Person Interviewed: Josh Rohrer - FAA

Date: August 10, 2016

Subject: – CEN16LA316

He went to the accident site, looked at the airplanes, and spoke with the pilots.

Mr. Smith just bought the airplane and Mr. Roberts was flying it back to Missouri with him. Mr. Smith did not have a tailwheel endorsement. Even though Mr. Roberts is a CFI, they stated that he was not giving Mr. Smith flight instruction. Both pilots stated that Mr. Roberts was the PIC. Mr. Roberts had about 3 hours of flight time in the airplane.

They were stopping in Winterset for gas.

Shortly after landing, the airplane veered left and departed the runway. Mr. Roberts added power to go-around, but the airplane continued off the runway, contacting an Aerostar with the leading edge of the left wing. This spun the airplane around and both wings contacted an Aztec.

He didn't see any skid marks on the runway. He examined the brakes and tailwheel and both appeared to have been functional.

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Departed Mason City en route to Kansas City and were making a fuel stop in Winterset.

Mr. Roberts was flying from the rear seat.

They checked the windsock and the wind was calm so they elected to land on runway 32.

They touched down 800 to 1,000 feet down runway. Shortly thereafter the airplane began to veer/ "wobble" to the left. Mr. Roberts corrected to the right and once again the airplane veered to the left. The airplane started to head to the left side of the runway so he added power to go-around. The airplane continued off the runway where it contacted a 3 foot high knoll. The airplane continued until it contacted the two parked airplanes.

Nothing was wrong with the airplane. Mr. Roberts stated he flew it prior to departing Mason City and it operated just fine.

Discussed completing the accident report and releasing the wreckage.

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