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Pilot's statement

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Good Evening Mr. Miles,

Thank you for your time on the phone today and professionalism in this process.

Per your request for an email statement, and to close out the accident report, following is my written statement:

The takeoff roll on runway 15 at XA86 (Driftwood Ranch) occurred in the late afternoon of Sat, May 13. After reaching rotate speed, and at full power, the nose wheel was brought up and after becoming airborne a gust of wind (left crosswind) pushed the plane to the right of the runway. Wanting to avoid any obstacles, I pulled the stick up (for altitude gain) and simultaneously put left rudder and aileron in (for left turn back to the runway centerline). As the plane had just become airborne, the airspeed was insufficient and the plane went into a stalled left spin. After a quarter turn left, the plane hit the ground nose low in the dirt and the left turn continued so that when coming to a rest it was back on the runway and pointed north. This is my Statement.

Thank you again, Mr. Miles, for your time in this matter. If you would, please let me know you received this email.

Matthew Gallagher