



RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE

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NTSB Accident Number: CEN17LA328

Mr. Laennec Ratard, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) inspector assigned to the accident, provided the following information and perspectives:

- After the airplane had been retrieved to a local hangar, the mechanic who normally performed maintenance on the airplane stated that he removed and discarded all twelve spark plugs, due to several having a worn-out condition.
- The mechanic stated that he hadn't realized he was not allowed to disturb the airplane until the investigation was complete.
- The mechanic stated he also removed the fuel screen, which he subsequently returned.