



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: July 16, 2018
Person Contacted: Sgt. Bennie Boles
NTSB Accident Number: CEN18FA267

Narrative:

During a briefing of the accident details, Sgt. Boles stated he spoke with several witnesses and acquaintances of the pilot since the accident occurred. The witnesses reported hearing the engine power decrease as if the airplane was getting ready to land, then the engine power immediately increased. One witness stated it appeared as though the airplane stalled and impacted terrain. The airplane remained at a low altitude while in the traffic pattern at the airport.

Acquaintances of the pilot at the airport stated the pilot had purchased the airplane about a month or two before the accident. The pilot was known to conduct “taxi tests” with the airplane on the airport taxiway surfaces. The day before the accident, the pilot and an unknown passenger experienced a runway excursion while taxiing down the runway at a high rate of speed. It was unknown if any damage occurred during the runway excursion.