

November 15, 2017

DuPage FSDO
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Attention: Mr. Victor Liberatore – Principal Maintenance Inspector

Regards: N2766D Cessna 170 - B in flight control failure

Mr. Liberatore, below is a summary and my statement of the in flight control failure at Harvard Dacy Airport that occurred on November 8, 2017.

Departure airport: C77 (Poplar Grove) Approximately 1615 - 11.8.2017

Destination airport: 0C0 (Harvard, Illinois) Approximately 1630 - 11.8.2017

Weather and planning:

- I pad Fore Flight review of area weather (reviewed metars, TAF and radar)
- No weather reporting @ 0C0
- Wind observed on landing 240 @ 3-5 knots

Landing and incident details:

- Landing runway 27
- Normal left hand traffic pattern
- Upon landing flare prior to touch down pilot experienced completed loss of flight controls
- Plane was approximately 6" to 12" off runway
- Pilot experience nose drop where main wheels came into contact with runway
- Upon roll out pilot was able to reach to copilot side control yoke for cross wind control input keeping plane aligned on runway 27
- Airplane experienced no damage
- Pilot was not injured in this incident

The above breakdown is PIC Chadd Hartwig's best recollection of events that occurred before, during and after the incident flight on 11.8.2017 @ approximately 1630 CDT.

➤ Chadd Hartwig (Pilot in Command): [REDACTED] (cell phone)

- Certificate number [REDACTED]
- Medical (third class): 2/2/2016
- BFR: 8/17/2016

➤ Dacy Airport (Dave Dacy): [REDACTED]

IA Mechanic observation/cause of failure (Dave Dacy)

- McFarlane Part #MC0411257 defect (internal pin sheared at 1/2 way point in coupler)
- Pictures to be emailed

Please call with any questions regarding this incident.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Chadd W. Hartwig