

Memorandum of Conversation

Date: October 15, 2018
Time: 1215 central daylight time
Conversation Including: Scott Egesdahl, FletchAir Mechanic
Conversation Regarding: CEN19LA007, N81383
Duration of Call: 15 Minutes



Summary & Factual Information from Conversation:

Mr. Egesdahl confirmed that the FletchAir had just completed an annual inspection on the airplane. The pilot had arrived at Silver Wings Airport (TS36) the afternoon of October 11, 2018. The annual inspection was signed-off around mid-morning on October 12, 2018. The accident occurred during the first flight following the annual inspection. Mr. Egesdahl recalled that the pilot departed TS36 before lunchtime, possibly between 1030 and 1100.

Mr. Egesdahl confirmed that there was no fuel available at TS36. Another FletchAir mechanic (Trey Kleppe) had observed about 8 gallons of fuel in each fuel tank (16 gallons total) during the annual inspection. The airplane had a total fuel capacity of 52.6 gallons, of which 51 gallons were considered useable.

Mr. Egesdahl stated that the pilot (Bill Eckenroth) had gotten lost on previous flights, and that Mr. Eckenroth likely did not know how to navigate using the airplane's Garmin 480 GPS.

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I can attest that the above summary and factual information was taken on the above stated day, and is correct to the best of my knowledge:

Signed: _ Andrew Todd Fox _
Dated: _ October 15, 2018 _

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Air Safety Investigator