

Communication Summary

February 10, 2020

Information from: Tim Watson, conducted last oil change



Summary & Factual Information: Mr. Watson was asked how he conducted the oil change on N578SP on 8/4/2019. He, in part, stated: This is how a typical oil change entry would look in the engine logbook. Date, Hobbs, flight Hobbs. Entry - Drained oil and obtained a sample. Removed oil filter. Installed new oil filter P/N 48109-1 and safetied. Serviced engine with 8qts of Phillips 20W50XC. Performed ground run and checked for leaks. None noted at this time. Signature and A&P number.

He was further asked if the magnetic plug got examined during that oil change and/or the oil filter get opened for examination? He indicated, "That engine did not have a magnetic drain plug. It had a quick drain. The oil filter was not cut open on that particular oil change because it was removed and replaced only a few hours after the annual inspection and I would have to assume they did it then."

I can attest that the above summary is correct to the best of my knowledge:

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