



## **RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE**

**Michael J. Folkerts**  
**Aviation Accident Investigator**  
**Central Region**

**September 17, 2020**

**NTSB Accident Number: CEN20LA327**

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Mr. Benedetto was the FAA inspector assigned to the accident and provided the following information:

- A post-accident examination revealed the fasteners for the side panel and airframe both had significant wear that was consistent with the side panel separating during the accident flight.
- Other areas of the airplane were poorly maintained, to include the leading edge of the elevator was badly rusted and covered with duct tape.