



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: January 6, 2021
Person Contacted: John Thompson, BRG Airport Director
NTSB Accident Number: CEN21LA030

Narrative: In a phone conversation with Mr. Thompson, he stated the following:

The pilot came to Belen occasionally. In July 2020, he arrived a second time in his Bonanza and experienced an electrical problem with landing gear. He manually extended the landing gear but apparently it did not fully extend because the gear collapsed and caused significant damage. The insurance declared it a total loss. A week before the pilot arrived in Belen with the new Cessna N9622T, the Bonanza was hauled away. From July to October, the Bonanza keys were stored at the FBO. The pilot's girlfriend came several times to get the keys to Bonanza to show it to people.

Prior to the accident flight, the pilot flew in with the new Cessna N9622T, he reportedly saw his girlfriend, then left a few days later. While at the FBO he purchased 2 quarts of oil. The airplane was topped off with 11.2 gallons of 100LL fuel.

Kevin Garcia (Belen airport employee) fueled the airplane then spoke with the pilot about the bad weather. Kevin questioned the pilot about departing in the worsening weather. He even went down to the edge of the ramp to watch the pilot depart since he was worried about him.

The pilot had not decided which runway to use which is why we taxied down the runway, then turned around. He was initially setup on runway 13 toward the interstate, then actually departed from runway 31.

He will send copies of the fuel receipt and fuel inspection reports.

End of conversation.

Lindberg Joshua

From: John Thompson <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 6, 2021 2:09 PM
To: Lindberg Joshua
Subject: RE: N9622T Dr Donald Eakin
Attachments: 2020.10 Daily.Monthly Inspections.pdf; 2020.10 Daily.Monthly Inspections (2).pdf; Airport PTZ 2020-10-26_11_58_23_046.asf; 0109_001.pdf

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Josh,
On the attached video, you can see at the far left top of the screen N9622T taxiing to the NW on Rwy 31 for a Rwy 13 departure. When he gets about halfway, he turns around and taxis back to depart on Rwy 31. This is the last video footage I have of the aircraft.

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Sent: Wednesday, January 6, 2021 12:40 PM
To: John Thompson <[REDACTED]>
Subject: N9622T Dr Donald Eakin

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From: John Thompson [REDACTED]
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Subject: RE: N9622T Dr Donald Eakin
Attachments: Pilot Lounge 1 2020-10-26_11_24_59_458.asf

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Josh,
This video clip shows Dr. Eakin purchasing the oil in the Pilot Lounge. I sent this video only to show there doesn't appear to be any physical impairment.

John Thompson, C.M.



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