



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: December 7, 2021
Person Contacted: Mr. Tony Layton (Federal Aviation Administration Inspector)
NTSB Accident Number: CEN22LA037

Narrative:

During a telephone conversation with Mr. Tony Layton he reported the following:

- On the day of the accident, he went on scene. He said the pilot/owner was very upset about what happened.
- Oil was noted along the bottom and right side of the airplane. Oil was also noted inside of the cowlings and on the engine components near the oil filter.
- The oil filter safety wire was observed fractured. One portion of the safety wire remained attached to the top of the oil filter. The other portion of the safety wire, which was described as “a small pig tail,” was found but the pilot/owner swiped it out of Mr. Layton’s hand before he could take a picture. After that, Mr. Layton was unable to find the piece of safety wire on the ground.
- The oil filter was loose and could be turned entire revolutions by hand.
- The pilot/owner mentioned he had recently changed the oil on the airplane but could not specify when. He further mentioned that he installed the safety wire onto the oil filter like he would a car.
- Mr. Layton shared the below photographs:



Figure 1: Right side of Airplane



Figure 2: Right Side Outside Cowling



Figure 3: Belly of Airplane



Figure 4: Inside Cowling Around Oil Filter



Figure 5: Fracture Separated Safety Wire

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