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Good morning Mike,

I sumped both wings and looked into the fuel caps of both wings and only found a little fuel in the right tank since it was left wing down and all the fuel traveled IB of the right wing. The pilot told the officers he ran out of fuel, so that was what I had going into the scene. No evidence of leaks, no post crash fire, and no fuel in the tanks. I have attached my statement and the police report. If you need anything else or have any questions let me know.

Thank you,

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Hi sir,

Hope you are doing well.

Just wanted to please follow on this one with N30632 (Cessna 177B) – did you guys do any additional work on the wreckage afterwards, like look at the fuel system?

If so, can I please request a copy of your inspector's statement?

Thank you.

Mike

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## Inspector Statement

SUBJECT

N30632 Accident

STATEMENT

I arrived on the scene 07/27/2023, approximately 1545 local time. Upon arrival I met with David Aranda of the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office who showed me the accident site. Officer Aranda informed me that Officer Dan Brauner of the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office spoke with the pilot, Drew Meyer. Officer Brauner informed me the pilot stated that he ran out of fuel. Officer Brauner stated he would include that statement from the pilot in his report and share the report with me. I proceeded to the site and observed aircraft N30632 had suffered substantial damage. No smell of fuel or evidence of a post crash fire. No evidence of fuel in the left tank. Trace amounts of fuel present in the right tank observed visually through the fuel filler cap and sumping at the inboard wing. The airframe sustained substantial damage to both wings and fuselage from just aft of main landing gear to the nose of the aircraft. Both wing outboard sections broken. Right main and nose landing gear was separated. The engine compartment was twisted 90 degrees counter clockwise. The propeller was secured to the hub. Both blades did not appear to show evidence of scuffing damage with the ground. One blade was bent near the root. Left scene at approximately 1830 local time.

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