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Subject: CEN23LA411

Contact: John Brannen, NTSB

NTSB Investigator John Brannen took the initial notification for the accident involving an N853HT, a Rans S6ES airplane that caught fire and impacted terrain under unknown circumstances.

He relayed that the airplane was seen on fire and it crashed short of Liberty Landings Airpark (4MO4). FAA Inspectors responded to the accident site and reported that the entire airplane had been consumed by a postimpact fire which precluded a thorough examination of the wreckage.

The pilot had been transported to the hospital with burns over 65% of his body.

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