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Subject: CEN25LA221, Record of Conversation

Contact: Justin Ogan, Pilot of N107ML

During a telephone conversation, Justin Ogan stated that while spraying a field, the aircraft, N107ML, struck a power line and "it took the rudder off." He said there were no mechanical anomalies with the aircraft preceding the accident. He said it was "all pilot error" and knew the power line was there but the sun was shining from one side and got into his eye a little bit. He had surveyed the field and knew the power line was there prior to the accident. He said he was wearing a helmet with a visor that was lightly tinted so he could see in the evening. He could not provide a quantitative estimate of the power line's height and said that it was a relatively higher power line, and it was "pretty high." He said the aircraft was descending about 20 -30 degrees at 140 kts when it struck the power line. He lost rudder control, and the aircraft turned sideways "a little bit." He said he did not have much aircraft control. When the NTSB IIC asked who was the operator, he said it was a private and not a commercial application.