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Subject: CEN26LA139

Contact: [REDACTED], Pilot

[REDACTED], Pilot-rated passenger

The pilot flying during the accident stated that while the airplane was stationary in the run-up area, conducting her final check before departure, a gust of wind lifted the right wing and tipped the airplane onto its side. She stated that the airplane was facing into the wind at the time of the accident. She also reported that she was using the proper flight control inputs for the wind conditions during taxiing and while parked in the run-up area. She stated that the wind was 340° at 25 knots, gusting to 35 knots. In a later email correspondence, she provided missing information from the NTSB Accident Report Form.

The pilot-rated passenger from the accident stated in a later phone conversation that she could not recall the exact wind conditions at the time, but they were from the northwest. When asked if the airplane was taxiing when it was flipped over, she stated that it was stationary and facing into the wind. She also confirmed that the proper crosswind flight control inputs were used during taxiing and while stationary.