



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

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Date: January 4, 2013
NTSB Accident Number: ERA13CA091
Persons Interviewed: Samuel Spillers, pilot

Narrative:

- Mr. Spillers stated that after conducting a preflight of the airplane, he boarded and completed the engine start checklist.
- He had his feet on the brakes, or what he believed were the brakes.
- The engine started at a high rpm, and the airplane began to roll forward.
- He reduced the throttle to idle, and attempted to steer and brake the airplane.
- As the airplane continued forward, he shut off the fuel mixture, followed by the magnetos, but the airplane did not stop, and impacted the hangar door.
- After meeting with Inspector English from the Richmond FSDO, and discussing the sequence of events, he believed that his feet were inadvertently placed on the torque tube above and behind the toe brake pedals, and not on the pedals themselves.