



RECORD OF INTERVIEW

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Person(s) Interviewed: Anthony Louis Arzave –Instructor Pilot
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Narrative:

According to instructor pilot, he was flying in cruise flight at 5000 feet. ATC changed their waypoint due to traffic and he was showing the student pilot how to change the route in the GPS when they noticed a puff of black smoke appear from under the legs of the student pilot. Mr. Arzave does not remember the smell of the smoke; however he remembers it dissipating quickly. Seconds later, the oil pressure light came on with an alarm. (Oil pressure light comes on when pressure is under 10psi.) Mr. Arzave turned to the engine page and the oil pressure was at 1psi. Mr. Arzave took over as flying pilot at this time. He called in an emergency and diverted to Lake Wales, FL (X07). He maintained 4000 feet until he had the airport in sight, made one call on Unicom on short final for runway 17 and felt he was too high and going too fast to make the runway. He side slipped the aircraft but could not get it slowed down enough for a safe landing so he decided to abort the landing and make a 360 degree turn. Mr. Arzave powered up the plane but did not feel it was generating any power. He saw a cross runway and a yellow "X" was on runway 6 but he was going to land anyway. He lost complete power and about 400 feet AGL he told the student pilot to pull the emergency parachute.