

Witness Bob Hoskins Phone Statement 5/16/2016

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Inspector called Mr. Hoskins Monday, May 16, 2016. Mr. Hoskins stated he saw most of the incident as he was working on his plane in front of his hangar that is located on the north end of the field at Sumner County Regional Airport (M33).

Mr. Hoskins heard the aircraft take off while working in front of his Hangar. Shortly after takeoff he heard the engine quit on the aircraft and he turned around to see what happened. Mr. Hoskins observed the aircraft make a high angle of bank turn back towards the runway, though the aircraft's nose was dropping and he did not believe the aircraft was going to be able to complete the turn. He then heard the engine gain power again and the aircraft was able to complete the turn back to the airport runway but narrowly missing the hangar next to his as well as his car. He estimated the aircraft came within 5 feet of his vehicle which was parked in front of his hangar. Mr. Hoskins observed the aircraft land on the runway approximately in front of the FBO. He observed the aircraft swerve several times and then go off the runway where the aircraft stopped and he observed smoke coming from the aircraft. Mr. Hoskins did not see the passengers get out of the aircraft but he was aware there were passengers on board and he was knowledgeable that they managed to get out of the aircraft. Mr. Hoskins then informed me the accident occurred at 1418 as he was going to text someone the information about the accident at the airport.