

Hicks Ralph

From: Shayne Morris
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 4:44 PM
To: Timothy Annis FAA
Cc: Hicks Ralph
Subject: Re: N262WS - Bernath

To whom it may concern:

I was called several times this year to address fuel system [issues](#). Mr. Bernath insisted someone was tampering with the plane. I flushed the fuel system, replaced carb parts and eventually even the fuel [tank](#). The debris I found on all occasions was very similar to powdered laundry detergent.

The last time I saw his plane was approx. 3 months ago for inspection. I found a crack located on the elevator. I was on the phone with the manufacturer (Vans Aircraft) about this issue when I was approached by Lee County police officers ordering my out of the hangar even though I was escorted there by [Mrs. Bernath](#). The plane was incomplete... and apart when I was ordered to leave and threatened with arrest for trespassing.

I tried to arrange for the work to be completed by another A&P but was unsuccessful.

If I can be of more assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. [REDACTED]

Sent from my Boost Mobile Phone.

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From: Timothy Annis FAA
Date: Fri, Jan 26, 2018 4:23 PM
To: Shayne Morris
Cc: Ralph Hicks NTSB
Subject: N262WS - Bernath

Shayne,

Thank you for speaking with me today.

Please provide a statement covering the items and issues we discussed on the phone today.-

STAY SAFE!



Timothy S. Annis

Aviation Safety Inspector