



NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: 6/29/2019
Persons Contacted: Peter Fontaine & Matthew Burril
NTSB Accident Number: ERA19FA200

Narrative:

The investigator-in-charge met with Mr. Fontaine, who was the accident airplane (N661PF) and Six Oaks Airport (NC67) owner, and Matthew Burril, who managed the Six Oaks Airport (NC67). Both were friends with Mr. Beckham, who was the pilot receiving the flight review in N661PF. The following is a summary of what they reported:

- Mr. Fontaine reported that Mr. Beckham was due for a flight review in June 2019 and he asked to use his airplane (N661PF).
- Mr. Burril reported that a visitor at NC67 informed him that he saw N661PF depart about 10:00AM local time. It is very common to takeoff runway 6 at NC67 and then land on runway 24 due to the terrain.
- Neither person heard N661PF performing touch and go's the morning of the accident.
- Mr. Fontaine reported that the day prior to the accident, Mr. Beckham had flown N661PF, and after the flight they both drove to a gas station to get non-ethanol automobile gas. Mr. Fontaine reported that the airplane was topped off with the fuel. Mr. Fontaine asked Mr. Beckham how the airplane performed during the flight the day prior to the accident, and Mr. Beckham did not tell him about any issues.
- Mr. Fontaine was not aware of any activities he had planned to complete during the flight review. He did not know Mr. Gaitskill, the flight instructor, and to the best of his knowledge, Mr. Gaitskill had never flown out of NC67 and had never flown N661PF.
- Mr. Burril reported that he talked with Mr. Gaitskill the morning of the accident, at the entry gate to NC67. Mr. Gaitskill asked for directions on how to get to the hangar, the time was about 9:10AM.
- Mr. Fontaine reported the Mr. Beckham told him he would be flying with Mr. Gaitskill.



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- Mr. Fontaine, who was also the builder of N661PF reported that there were no major modifications to the airplane, post kit build completion. He replaced the tires and installed a different GPS unit.