



NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Conversation with: FAA Inspector Gary Banas, Harrisburg FSDO
Accident Number: ERA20LA320

The following is a summary of a conversation that occurred with the above-named individual:

- The airplane was sold one hour before it crashed.
- Inspector Vince Yerace looked at airplane on September 17 and sampled the fuel from the right tank, where there was less than 1 gallon of fuel. It was uncontaminated.
- He stated that the left tank fuel was full but was not tested.
- The airplane owner told a nearby farmer that he could have the fuel from the airplane in exchange for letting the airplane sit in the field until he could recover it.
- Inspector Yerace watched the farmer drain fuel into containers from the left tank until he ran out of containers. The farmer stated that it looks like clean fuel.
- Inspector Yerace established continuity of controls and asked that the farmer let him know how much fuel he ultimately drained from the left tank once he found containers.
- He stated that the bill of sale for the airplane was found in the airport, and that the airplane was sold 1.5 hour before the flight.