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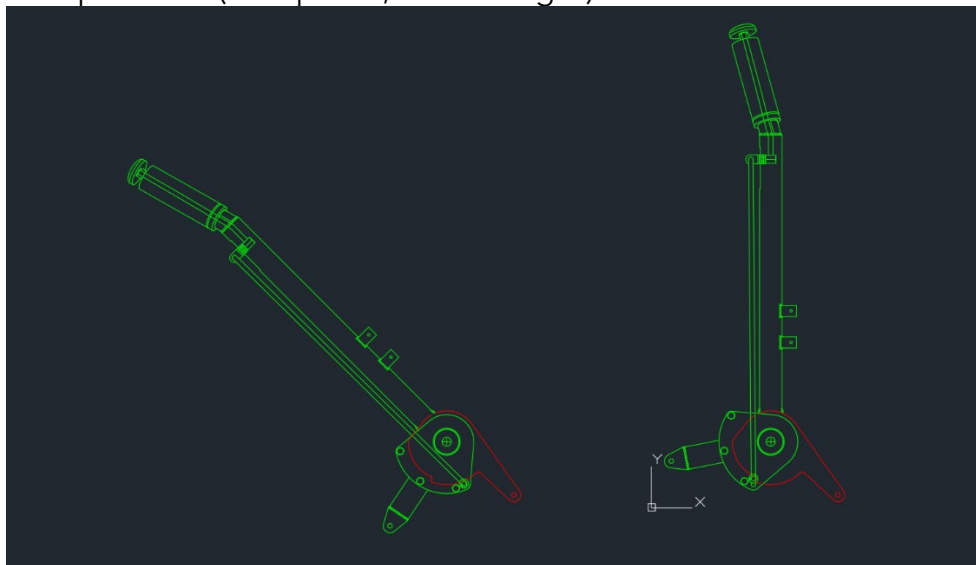
Subject: ERA22FA376 - Emergency Dump Handle Position

Contact: Dakota Lowe - Air Tractor Aviation Safety Investigator

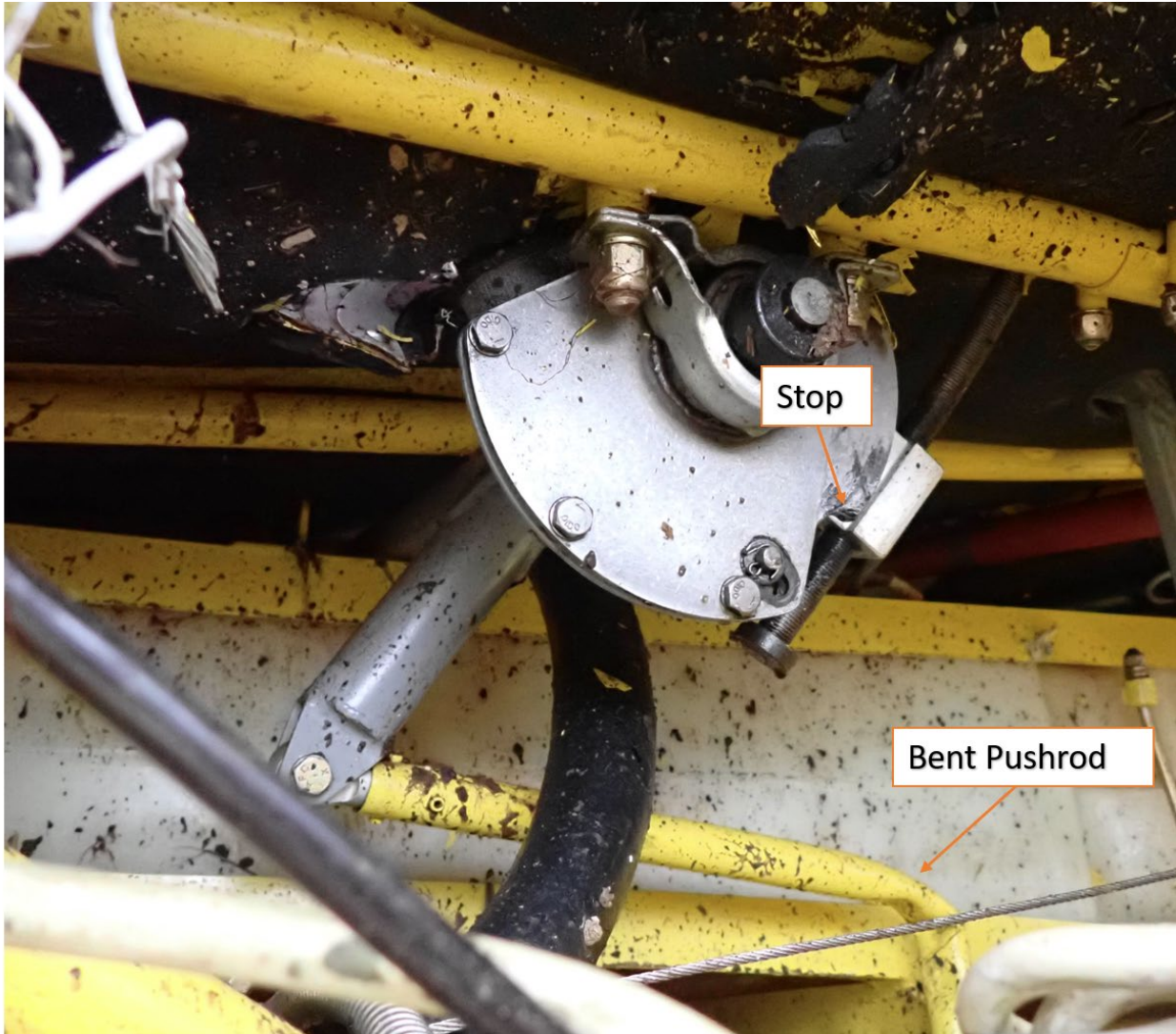
In an email conversation, Mr. Lowe stated the following:

The left image below shows the lever in the “dump” position and the right shows the lever in the closed position. The red part (the calibrator stop plate) is stationary during an E-dump. In the accident photo below, the lever is rotated clockwise relative to the stop plate which is not the e-dump position.

Dump Handle (dump=left, closed=right)



Accident Photo:



Exemplar photo (E-dump activated):

