



NTSB MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

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Person Contacted: Alexander Munoz (FAA Inspector)
NTSB Accident Number: ERA22LA048

Narrative:

The individual noted above provided the following information via email. The below contents are a summary of what was reported:

As per your request, I visited the Aztec Airways maintenance facility in the FXE Airport today. During my visit, I met with the Director of Maintenance, Michael Lochmueller and witnessed the damages that aircraft N3VM sustained on the day of the Accident. I wanted to give you an update of the Landing Gear Functional check that I witnessed with aircraft N3VM.

- 1. During the functional check of the Nose Landing Gear I was able to confirm that the nose landing gear operated with no issues retracting and extending.*
- 2. During the functional check of the Main Landing Gear I was able to confirm that the [main landing gear] operated with no issues retracting and extending.*
- 3. It was confirmed by the FAA that left wing spar sustained damages which validates the escalation from an incident to an accident. The Spar was bent and damaged during the accident when it impacted the airport runway light on 09/26/2021.*

In addition to the above information. It was confirmed that the three green indicator lights were functional throughout the tests.

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