



NTSB MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

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Date: 4/4/2023, 4/20/2023
Person Contacted: Bruce Voight (Pilot in Command)
NTSB Accident Number: ERA23LA165

Narrative:

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

- The airplane touched down, he applied the wheel brakes, and the airplane began slowly drifting to the right. The airplane then pulled hard to the right. He applied left rudder, but that would not stop the right turn off the runway.
- On touchdown, there was no issue. The airplane began turning right, after brake application.
- He recalled that it was pulling harder and harder to the right. He believes that it's possible that he lost brake pressure with one of the pedals.
- He attempted to correct with left brake and left rudder, but he could not stop the airplane from turning off the runway surface to the right.
- He recalled that shortly before the airplane hit the ditch, he pulled his feet off the rudder pedals and brakes. When he pulled his feet back, the airplane immediately straightened out. The airplane then continued straight into the ditch and came to rest.
- The accident landing was the first landing of the day following a local flight.
- He recalled that the wind was gusting a little, but he remarked to his passenger on how smooth the approach to landing was shortly before the landing.
- He recalled that the wind was 220° at 9 knots, gusting to 15 knots. The landing runway was 13.
- He rented the airplane from Florida Aviation Career Training, Inc.
- He recalled that after the accident, he observed on the left main landing gear strut, he saw some sort of oil. He believed the fluid was clear or yellow. He



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thought it was fuel, however, several days after the accident he was informed there was no fuel leak, so he was unsure of what type of fluid it was.

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