

Ralph E. Hicks
Senior Air Safety Investigator
AS-ERA

Date: 5/20/2024

Subject: ERA23LA173, Aircraft Time Since Inspection Discrepancy (N9777Y)

The pilot of N9777Y reported on his NTSB Form 6120.1 that the time since last inspection was 16 hours.

According to photos provided by the Federal Aviation Administration, the aircraft Hobbs time at the accident site was 1317.0 hours and the aircraft tachometer (tach) time was 733.6 hours (Photos 1 and 2).



Photo 1 - Accident Hobbs Time 1317.0 hours



Photo 2 – Accident Tach Time 733.6 hours

According to the aircraft maintenance records, the most recent inspection (annual) occurred on December 9, 2022, at 5,364.2 hours total aircraft time. At this inspection, the Hobbs indicated 1290.2 hours, and the tach time indicated 713.7 hours (Photo 3).

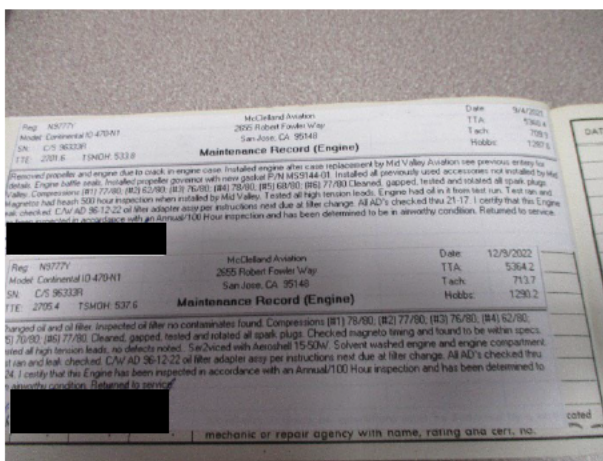


Photo 3 – Engine Logbook Entry (Last Inspection)

Using the above information, the elapsed Hobbs time from the last inspection to the accident was 26.8 hours, and the elapsed tach time over the same period was 19.9 hours.