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Subject: ERA24LA023, Pilot statement/ Fuel quantity

Contact: Marty Flournoy, Pilot/ Owner

In a telephone conversation with the pilot (Mr. Flournoy); he stated that prior to departure he filled the fuel tanks with 15 gallons. He said the fuel tanks were “sticked” to check the fuel level prior to takeoff. After the crash the fuel was leaking out of the wing tanks because the airplane was sitting inverted.

The NTSB investigator asked the salvage company if fuel was found within the fuel tanks when they recovered the airplane. They reported that they defueled approximately 9 gallons of fuel.

Update

This fuel recovered from the wings was used during the engine test run on November 7, 2023.