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Neither the FAA nor the NTSB traveled to the accident site. The pilot provided the NTSB photographs of the fractured propeller blade with the intention to have the photos examined by the NTSB Materials Laboratory to help determine why the propeller blade failed; however, the NTSB Materials Lab informed the IIC via telephone that the detail observed in the photographs were insufficient to determine why the blade failed and wanted additional photographs of both blades. The Materials Lab wanted to see photos that included a head on photo of the fractured prop surface, the aft side of the fractured blade and the front/aft side of the non-fractured blade for comparison.

The IIC then asked the pilot to provide these photos via email between July 2024 and January 2025; however, they were never submitted.