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Subject: ERA25LA023, FAA On-site Examination
Contact: Nick Anderson, Aviation Safety Inspector, FAA

Inspector Anderson was the FAA IIC for this accident, and the following are excerpts from a report he sent the NTSB IIC after completing his onsite examination.

History of Flight:

While approaching to land at a grass strip near [REDACTED] in Nicholasville, Ky, a powered parachute (PPC) impacted the ground under unknown circumstances nose first 160 feet Northeast of the runway. The aircraft came to rest on its right side approximately 30 feet away from initial impact point. The pilot and passenger onboard the aircraft were fatality injured. There was no damage to property and no post-accident fire.

Aircraft Information:

Registration Number: N75331

Make: Buckeye

Model: Dream Machine

Serial Number: 3821

Airworthiness Cert: Experimental Light Sport

Aircraft Total Time: Unknown. Missing logbooks. Last total time entry 492.3 hours dated 10/31/2014.

Aircraft Last Annual / 100HR: Unknown. Missing logbooks. Last recorded Annual Condition Inspection missing total time, dated 10/30/2015.

Engine Total Time: Unknown. Missing logbooks

Engine Time Since Overhaul: Unknown. Missing logbooks

Airport Information:



Photo 1: View looking SW 215°. (Courtesy of FAA)

Wreckage and Impact Information:



Photo 2: Overview of the accident site. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 3: Overview of the accident site. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 4: Initial impact area marked by flag in forefront. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 5: Nose gear impact ground scar (circled). (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 6: Overview of the wreckage. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 7: Overview of the wreckage. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 8: Overview of the wreckage. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 9: Overview of the wreckage. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 10: Overview of the wreckage. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 11: View of propeller. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 12: View of propeller. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 13: Overview of the engine. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 14: View of the inline fuel filter with fuel still in the bowl and line. (Courtesy of FAA)

Parachute/wing:

Parachute risers appeared to not be frayed or damaged. No missing panels or damage to canopy.



Photo 15: Overview of the canopy/wing. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 16: Overview of the canopy/wing and risers. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 17: View of the bottom of the powered parachute. (Courtesy of FAA)



Photo 18: view of one of the riser attach points. (Courtesy of FAA)

Cockpit:

Photo 19: Overview of the cockpit instrument panel. (Courtesy of FAA)