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**Subject:** ERA26LA307, FAA inspector accident examination statement

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The following text is email correspondence received from the FAA inspector regarding his observations during the wreckage examination:

During the examination of the airplane at the accident site, it was noted that the airplane came to rest adjacent to a logging road, with the right wing separated from the fuselage. The right wing exhibited impact damage about 24 inches inboard of the wingtip, and paint transfer was observed on a nearby tree. The right-wing control cables were separated and exhibited signatures consistent with tension overload. The nose landing gear was collapsed, and the propeller remained relatively undamaged. The fuel selector was found positioned to the left tank. Examination of the engine compartment revealed no apparent anomalies. The FAA inspector reported no evidence of a preimpact mechanical or maintenance-related failure.

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