



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: June 22, 2015
Person Contacted: Mr. Michael Kraus (Student Pilot)
NTSB Accident Number: GAA15CA130

Narrative:

The following is a synopsis of the information provided by Mr. Kraus in a telephone conversation.

- The accident occurred on 6/9/2015 at 1050 EDT.
- The airplane is a Piper PA-28-140, N6919W.
- Mr. Kraus is the student pilot (solo) who departed the Carl R. Keller Field Airport (PCW) and was conducting takeoffs and landings at the Toledo Express Airport (TOL).
- Mr. Kraus reported that he was making an approach to runway 25 and there were gusty crosswinds from his right side, the North West.
- Mr. Kraus reported that during the landing, he input bad rudder correction, and the airplane swerved. Mr. Kraus reported that he couldn't control the airplane, it departed the runway to the left, and clipped a runway crossing sign.
- Mr. Kraus reported that the right wing fuel tank was punctured and the right wing leading edge was damaged.
- Mr. Kraus sustained no injuries.
- Mr. Kraus verified that there were no pre-impact mechanical failures or malfunctions with the airframe or engine that would have precluded normal operation.