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Law Offices

June 30, 2017

Via Email:

Mr. Jack Vanover
Air Safety Investigator
National Transportation Safety Board
Western Pacific Regional Office

Federal Way, WA 98003

Email:

San Francisco
California 94104

Re: **NTSB File No. GAA17CA333**
Aircraft: Fairchild Merlin IIC, N53DA
Location: Santa Monica Airport, CA
Date: March 12, 2017

Dear Mr. Vanover:

This office represents Mr. Gregory L. McAdoo, the pilot in command of the above-referenced aircraft that was involved in a landing incident at Santa Monica Airport on or about March 12, 2017. Considering that any damage sustained by the aircraft was confined to the right propeller and right nose gear, we believe that this mishap should be classified as an incident rather than as an accident.

Enclosed herewith is a completed Pilot/Operator Aircraft Accident Report (Form 6120.1), executed by the undersigned as the attorney for the pilot.

The information contained in this Report is to the best of my client's recollection and knowledge and we reserve the right to supplement or amend this Report in the event additional information should come to our attention.

While we dispute any contention that this mishap constituted an accident, this Report is submitted to you in accordance with and in satisfaction of the requirements of NTSB Regulation Part 830 (49 C.F.R Part 830). The purpose of this Report is to assist the NTSB in fulfilling its statutory duties of aviation accident/incident investigation and, if possible, determining a probable cause. It is submitted for no other purpose.

Mr. Jack Vanover, Air Safety Investigator
National Transportation Safety Board
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While it is recognized that the NTSB may disseminate information gathered during an investigation to other parties and entities, including the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), we trust that the NTSB will appreciate the potential chilling effect that dissemination of such information can have, especially when utilized by the FAA or other parties or entities for purposes other than accident/incident investigation. I trust that if this Report or the information contained therein is given to the FAA, it will be confined to accident/incident investigation purposes and will not be given for, or in furtherance of, the FAA's regulatory enforcement program.

Should you require any further information, please contact me. You have my full assurance that my clients and I will fully cooperate with your investigation and provide whatever further assistance you should require.

With best regards,

Very truly yours,


Michael L. Dworkin

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Gregory L. McAdoo

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Santa Monica State: CA

ZIP: _____ Country: USA

Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees minutes seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: March 12, 2017 Local Time: 12:24
mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: PST

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N53DA

Manufacturer: Fairchild

Model: Merlin IIIC, SA227TT

Serial Number: SA227-438

Year of Manufacture: 1981

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Kit/Plans ☐ Original Design Make: _____

☒ IFR-Equipped and Certified

☐ Commercial Space Flight

☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: 12,500 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 10,400 lbs

Number of Seats: 12 Flight Crew Seats: 2

Cabin Crew Seats: 2 Passenger Seats: 10

Number of Engines: 2

Category of Aircraft

- ☒ Airplane
- ☐ Balloon
- ☐ Blimp/Dirigible
- ☐ Glider
- ☐ Gyroplane
- ☐ Helicopter
- ☐ Powered Lift
- ☐ Rocket
- ☐ Ultralight
- ☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate (Check all that apply)

Standard

- ☒ Normal
- ☐ Aerobatic
- ☐ Balloon
- ☐ Commuter
- ☐ Transport
- ☐ Utility

Special

- ☐ Restricted
- ☐ Limited
- ☐ Provisional
- ☐ Special Flight
- ☐ Experimental
- ☐ Special Light-Sport
- ☐ Experimental Light-Sport

☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ None ☐ Unknown

Landing Gear (Check all that apply)

☒ Retractable

- ☒ Tricycle
- ☐ Amphibian
- ☐ Emergency Float
- ☐ Float
- ☐ Hull
- ☐ Tailwheel
- ☐ High Skid
- ☐ Skid
- ☐ Ski
- ☐ Ski/Wheel
- ☐ Other Launch/Recovery System
- ☐ None ☐ Unknown

Engine Type (Select one)

- ☐ Reciprocating
- ☐ Turbo Shaft
- ☒ Turbo Prop
- ☐ Turbo Jet
- ☐ Turbo Fan
- ☐ Electric
- ☐ Liquid Rocket
- ☐ Solid Rocket
- ☐ Hybrid Rocket
- ☐ None
- ☐ Unknown

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

- ☐ Carburetor
- ☐ Fuel-Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Serial	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm dd yyyy	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	Airesearch	TPE331			904			
Eng. 2	Airesearch	TPE331			904			
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour
- ☐ AAIP
- ☐ Annual
- ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
- ☐ Conditional Inspection
- ☒ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: unknown
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: unknown hrs

hours measured at (Select one)

- ☐ Last Inspection
- ☐ Time of Accident/Incident

Type of Maintenance Program (Select one)

- ☐ Annual
- ☐ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
- ☐ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
- ☐ Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP)
- ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
- ☐ Other, specify: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☐ None
- ☐ Specify: _____

Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
- ☒ Controllable Pitch
- ☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: Dowty Rotol

Model: R-321/4-82-F/Y

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
- ☒ Controllable Pitch
- ☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: Dowty Rotol

Model: R-321/4-82-F/Y

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: unknown

Model or Part No.: unknown

TSO No.: ☐ OC91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ OC91a (121.5 MHz)
☐ OC126 (406 MHz)

Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Did ELT Activate? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If activated:

Did ELT Aid in Locating Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If not activated:

- Indicate Reason:
- ☐ Impact Damage
 - ☐ Fire Damage
 - ☐ Battery Expired/Damaged
 - ☐ Unknown

Additional Equipment (Check all that apply)

- ☐ ADS-B
- ☐ Airframe Parachute
- ☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
- ☒ Autopilot
- ☐ Data Recorder
- ☐ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
- ☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
- ☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
- ☐ Handheld GPS
- ☐ Heads Up Display
- ☐ Onboard Weather
- ☐ Satellite Tracking Device
- ☒ Stall Warning System
- ☐ Video Recording Device
- ☐ Other, Specify: _____

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**Name: Extant LLCCity: HaywardState: CAZIP: 94545Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ NoCountry: USA**Operator of Aircraft**☐ Same As Registered Owner☐ Same Address as Registered OwnerName: Gregory L. McAdooCity: Alamo

Doing Business As: _____

State: CAZIP: 94507

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____

Country: USA**Operating Certificates Held**

(Check all that apply)

- ☒ None
☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121)
☐ Supplemental
☐ Air Cargo
☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129)
☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133)
☐ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135)
☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135)
☐ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136)
☐ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137)
☐ Pilot School (FAR 141)
☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ Commercial Space Transportation
Experimental Permit
☐ Commercial Space Transportation License
☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft

Regulation Flight Conducted Under

- ☒ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 415
☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ FAR 431
☐ FAR 121 ☐ FAR 135 ☐ FAR 435
☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ FAR 437

- ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight
☐ Non-US, Commercial
☐ Non-US, Non-commercial

☐ Public Aircraft (Select one)

- ☐ Armed Forces
☐ Federal
☐ State
☐ Local

☐ Unknown**Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135**

(Select one for each group)

- ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Domestic
☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International

- ☐ Passenger
☐ Cargo
☐ Mail Contract Only

Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137

(Select one)

- ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Firefighting ☐ Unknown
☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Flight Test
☐ Air Drop ☐ Glider Tow
☐ Air Race/Show ☐ Instructional
☐ Banner Tow ☐ Other Work Use
☐ Business ☒ Personal
☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Positioning
☐ External Load ☐ Skydiving
☐ Ferry

Revenue Sightseeing Flight☐ Yes ☒ No**Air Medical Flight**☐ Yes ☒ No**AIRPORT INFORMATION (Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)**Airport Name: Santa MonicaDistance From Airport Center: 0.5 smAirport Identifier: KSMODirection From Airport: 030 degrees trueProximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☒ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/AAirport Elevation: 177 ft. msl**Runway Information**Runway ID: 21 (L/R/C) Length: 4973 ft Width: 150 ft**Condition of Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)****Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)**

- ☒ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood
☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow ☐ Unknown

- ☒ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm
☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy
☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy
☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet
☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft
☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Vegetation ☐ Unknown

Approach/Departure Segment (Select one)

- ☐ Taxi ☐ VFR Departure ☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach
☐ Takeoff ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☒ Landing ☐ Base ☐ Go Around
☐ Initial Climb ☐ Final ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)
☐ Crosswind ☐ Unknown

IFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☒ GPS
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ RNAV ☐ Circling
☐ Unknown

VFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Stop and Go
☐ Straight-In ☐ Touch and Go
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Simulated Forced Landing
☐ Go Around ☐ Forced Landing
☐ Full Stop ☐ Precautionary Landing
☐ Unknown

"Flight Crewmember 1" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident
☒ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew
"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 1" Identification

First Name: Gregory City of Residence: Alamo

Middle Initial: L. State: CA ZIP: 94507

Last Name: McAdoo Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 52 Date of Birth: mm/dd/yyyy

Certificate Number:

Degree of Injury ☒ None ☐ Fatal ☐ Minor ☐ Unknown ☐ Serious		Seat Occupied ☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown ☐ Right ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single		Restraint Type Available ☐ None ☐ Lap only ☐ 3-point ☒ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		Inflatable Restraints ☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
Pilot Certificate(s) <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☒ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer						
Principal Occupation ☐ Pilot ☒ Other ☐ Unknown	Medical Certificate ☐ None ☐ Class 3 ☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only) ☒ Class 2 ☐ Unknown			Medical Certificate Validity ☐ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown ☒ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A ☐ Special Issuance		Date of Last Medical <u>7/29/16</u> <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>

Medical Certificate Limitations	
must have available glasses for near vision	

Medical Certificate Special Issuance
N/A

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks: <u>10/13/16</u> <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>	Flight Review Aircraft Make: <u>Fairchild</u> Model: <u>Merlin IIIC, SA227TT</u>
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Airplane Rating(s) (Check all that apply)	Other Aircraft Rating(s) (Check all that apply)	Instrument Rating(s) (Check all that apply)	Instructor Rating(s) (Check all that apply)
☐ None ☒ Single-Engine Land ☐ Single-Engine Sea ☒ Multiengine Land ☐ Multiengine Sea	☒ None ☐ Airship ☐ Balloon ☐ Glider ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift	☐ None ☒ Airplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift	☒ None ☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Powered Lift ☐ Instrument Airplane ☐ Instrument Helicopter ☐ Helicopter ☐ Glider ☐ Sport

Type Ratings DA20, DA50	Student Endorsements <i>(Include dates)</i>
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Flight Time (Enter appropriate number of hours in each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	4,900	410	1,200	3,700	1,200	1,100	125			
Pilot in Command (PIC)	4,700	390	1,150	3,550	1,100	1,050	125			
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model					100	110				
Last 90 Days	102	33	0	102	24	40	0			
Last 30 Days	32	2	0	32	10	15	0			
Last 24 Hours	2	2	0	2	0	0	0			

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 2" INFORMATION

"Flight Crewmember 2" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

☐ Pilot
 ☐ Co-Pilot
 ☐ Student Pilot
 ☐ Flight Instructor
 ☐ Check Pilot
 ☐ Flight Engineer
 ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 2" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 2" Identification

First Name: N/A City of Residence: _____

Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Last Name: _____ Country: _____

Age at time of Accident/Incident: _____ Date of Birth: _____ mm/dd/yyyy

Certificate Number: _____

Degree of Injury ☐ None ☐ Fatal ☐ Minor ☐ Unknown ☐ Serious	Seat Occupied ☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown ☐ Right ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single	Restraint Type <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Available</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Used</th> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ None</td> <td>☐ None</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Lap only</td> <td>☐ Lap only</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 3-point</td> <td>☐ 3-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 4-point</td> <td>☐ 4-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 5-point</td> <td>☐ 5-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Unknown</td> <td>☐ Unknown</td> </tr> </table>	Available	Used	☐ None	☐ None	☐ Lap only	☐ Lap only	☐ 3-point	☐ 3-point	☐ 4-point	☐ 4-point	☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point	☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown	Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
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☐ Student	☐ Sport	☐ Flight Engineer															
Principal Occupation ☐ Pilot ☐ Other ☐ Unknown	Medical Certificate ☐ None ☐ Class 3 ☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only) ☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown		Date of Last Medical _____ mm/dd/yyyy														

Medical Certificate Limitations

Medical Certificate Special Issuance

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks: _____ mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: _____

Model: _____

Airplane Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Single-Engine Land ☐ Single-Engine Sea ☐ Multiengine Land ☐ Multiengine Sea	Other Aircraft Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Airship ☐ Balloon ☐ Glider ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift	Instrument Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Airplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift	Instructor Rating(s) (Check all that apply) <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td> ☐ None ☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Powered Lift </td> <td> ☐ Instrument Airplane ☐ Instrument Helicopter ☐ Helicopter ☐ Glider ☐ Sport </td> </tr> </table>	☐ None ☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Powered Lift	☐ Instrument Airplane ☐ Instrument Helicopter ☐ Helicopter ☐ Glider ☐ Sport
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Type Ratings

Student Endorsements (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter appropriate number of hours in each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time										
Pilot in Command (PIC)										
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days										
Last 30 Days										
Last 24 Hours										

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)						
Crew Name and Address			Seat Occupied		Injury	
First Name: <u>N/A</u> City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____			☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Center ☐ Rear ☐ Right ☐ Single ☐ Unknown		☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer			Restraint Type: Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No		Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs				
Crew Name and Address			Seat Occupied		Injury	
First Name: <u>N/A</u> City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____			☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Center ☐ Rear ☐ Right ☐ Single ☐ Unknown		☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer			Restraint Type: Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No		Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs				
PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet if necessary)						
Name and Address		Seat	Injury	Restraint Type		Inflatable Restraints
First Name: <u>Jan</u> City: <u>Alamo</u> Middle Initial: <u>M</u> State: <u>CA</u> ZIP: <u>94507</u> Last Name: <u>McAdoo</u> Country: <u>USA</u> ☐ Crew ☒ Passenger ☐ Other		☐ Left ☐ Center ☒ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☒ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☒ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
First Name: <u>N/A</u> City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other		☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
First Name: <u>N/A</u> City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other		☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
First Name: <u>N/A</u> City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other		☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point Airport ID: <u>KPSP</u> City: <u>Pam Springs</u> State: <u>CA</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	Time of Departure Time: <u>11:51</u> Time Zone: <u>PST</u>	Destination Airport ID: <u>KSMO</u> City: <u>Santa Monica</u> State: <u>CA</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	Type Flight Plan Filed ☐ None ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ Company VFR ☒ IFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown ☐ VFR Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown
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Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise ☐ VFR ☒ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Unknown / NA				
Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply) ☐ Class A ☐ Class G ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Special ☐ Class B ☐ Demo Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Air Traffic Control Area ☐ Class C ☐ Warning Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Unknown ☒ Class D ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ TRSA ☐ Class E ☐ Restricted Area ☐ FAR 93				Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: <u>N/A</u> ft msl

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Source of Pilot Weather Information (Check all that apply) ☐ National Weather Service ☐ Company ☐ Flight Service Station ☐ Military ☐ TV/Radio ☒ Internet ☐ Automated Report ☐ None ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☐ Unknown ☐ On-Board Weather	Weather Observation Facility Facility ID: _____ Observation Time: _____ Time Zone: _____ Distance from Accident Site: _____ nm Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees true
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Basic Conditions ☒ VMC ☐ IMC ☐ Unknown	Light Condition ☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown ☒ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night
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Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition ☐ Clear ☐ Thin Broken ☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast ☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Unknown ☒ Scattered Lowest Cloud Condition Height _____ ft agl	Ceiling ☒ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured ☐ Broken ☐ Indefinite ☐ Overcast ☐ Unknown Ceiling Height _____ ft agl	Temperature: _____ (C) or _____ (F) Dew Point: _____ (C) or _____ (F) Altimeter Setting: _____ in. Hg or _____ MB
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Wind Direction ☐ Variable - or - Direction: _____ degrees true	Wind Speed ☐ Calm ☐ Light and Variable - or - Speed: _____ kts	Wind Gusts ☐ Not Gusting - or - Speed: _____ kts	Visibility _____ miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles Density Altitude: _____ ft
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Intensity of Precipitation ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Heavy ☐ N/A ☐ Unknown	Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain ☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower ☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower ☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle ☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals	Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Fog ☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog ☐ Blowing Sand ☒ Haze ☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog ☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke ☐ Dust ☐ Unknown
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Icing Forecast Amount Type ☒ None ☐ N/A ☐ Trace ☐ Rime ☐ Light ☐ Clear ☐ Moderate ☐ Mixed ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown	Icing Actual Amount Type ☒ None ☐ N/A ☐ Trace ☐ Rime ☐ Light ☐ Clear ☐ Moderate ☐ Mixed ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown	Turbulence Type (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Light ☐ Clear Air ☐ Moderate ☐ Terrain-Induced ☒ Severe ☐ Convective Turbulence ☐ Extreme
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NOTAMS (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**

- ☐ None ☐ Substantial
☒ Minor ☐ Destroyed
 ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Fire

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Explosion

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Explosion at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property *(Use additional sheet if necessary)*

Bent right propeller tips; possible damage to right nose wheel

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT *(Please type or print in Ink)*

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

Please see attached narrative

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)

Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

Total Time/Cycles
On Part

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

Time Since This Part
Inspected/Overhauled

_____ Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATIONFuel on Board at Last Takeoff
(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

_____ Gallons

Fuel Type

☐ 80/87☐ 115/145☐ Jet B☐ Other, specify _____☐ 100 Low Lead☐ Jet A☐ JP8☐ 100/130☐ Jet A-1☐ Automotive

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFTWas an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for other aircraft)

Aircraft Registration Number

N/A

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft

☐ Destroyed☐ Minor☐ Substantial☐ None

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Please type or print in ink)

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Date of this Report

6/30/17

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: _____

Signature: _____

— or —

☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: Michael L. Dworkin

Title: Attorney for Pilot, Gregory L. McAdoo

Signature: _____

— or —

☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

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GAA17CA333

Reviewed by NTSB Regional Office
GAA

Name of Investigator
JACKIE VANOVER

Date Report Received
6/30/2017

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT:

Date of Occurrence: 3/12/2017

Time of Occurrence: Approximately 12:24 (Local)

Location of Occurrence; Short final, Runway 21, KSMO

Origin: KPSP (Palm Springs)

Destination: KSMO (Santa Monica)

Departure time: 11:51 (Local)

Arrival Time: 12:24 (Local)

Crew: 1

Passengers: 1

Injuries: None

Damage: Right prop blades were damaged. One nose wheel appeared damaged.

Flight Rules: IFR

Departure Weather: VMC

En-route Weather; VMC in haze

Arrival Weather: Marginal VMC (Haze/dissipating marine layer)

Route assigned: V388 PDZ V186 DARTS

Approach: RNAV GPS RWY 21 (KSMO)

Description of flight, and occurrence:

Departure and en-route segments of this flight were routine.

In the vicinity of DARTS intersection, N53DA was issued and complied with several progressively slower speed restrictions by SOCAL Approach.

Prior to handoff to the local controller, SOCAL informed N53DA that it was following traffic into SMO, and further requested that N53DA reduce speed. N53DA slowed as much as was practical.

After handoff, the local controller cleared N53DA to land on runway 21, number 2, behind a Cessna Citation. N53DA then acquired visual contact with the Citation and visually followed it.

Despite repeated speed reductions, this ATC sequencing created unusually tight spacing with the Citation.

N53DA attempted to stay slightly above the normal approach path to avoid the Citation's wake. This was complicated by the steep decent angle required by the GPS 21 approach into SMO.

On short final (perhaps 100' AGL or less) N53DA encountered turbulence that induced significant rolling. The pilot corrected via aileron input, and added power. The process of recovering required more than one power change and considerable aileron and rudder inputs.

N53DA was not able to completely re-establish a stabilized approach prior to touching down. N53DA touched down on the runway with a somewhat flat pitch attitude, as well as a slight bank. Touch down was more firm than usual.

After touchdown, landing rollout and taxi to the ramp were normal.

After shut down, pilot's post flight inspection noted damage to the right propeller blades. One of the nose wheels also appeared to be damaged.

The pilot immediately reported this damage to the aircraft manager.