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Date: June 26, 2017
Person Contacted: Mr. Bart Burns (Airplane
Pilot) NTSB Accident Number: GAA17CA365

Narrative:

The following is a synopsis of the information provided by Mr. Burns in an Email to the FAA.

Mr. Morales, pursuant to our phone conversation on Monday, June 26, 2017, concerning the accident at TP McCampbell airport at approximately 10:30 a.m. This is my statement: my name is Bart Burns, and I was the pilot. At approximately 10:30 AM local I was on a VFR approach to TP McCampbell. I made the appropriate radio calls fully configured with all lights illuminated. I touched down approximately 400 feet down the runway and noticed a vehicle approaching the runway from the south side. He hesitates (appeared to be stopping) I swerved to the right to allow wide berth to vehicle. As I did so, the vehicle proceeded to cross runway towing a large trailer with a tractor on it. I realize that we are going to make contact; there's no way to avoid it. I swerved to the left to avoid frontal impact striking the rear of the trailer or tractor, allowing the right wing to absorb impact energy shearing the right wing; instantaneously the plane erupted into a ball of flame. When the plane came to rest fully engulfed in flames, there was a moment the flames subsided at the cockpit door allowing my exit and immediately flames consumed the plane. I felt like I had done everything possible to avoid impact. Upon exiting I noticed a man standing by pickup truck and the tractor was fully engulfed in flames. He apologized and said that he thought he could beat me across the runway. Several airport personnel were eye witnesses to the accident and the manager of the FPO was out there almost immediately. Law enforcement was at the scene shortly thereafter. I was taken to the FBO, examined by EMS, and transported to Spohn Shoreline Corpus Christi.