

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: MONTOURSVILLE State: PA

ZIP: 17754 Country: _____

Latitude: 41.2416667 Longitude: -76.9218056

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 10/22/2017 Local Time: 9:29

mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: EDT

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

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N337AM

Manufacturer: Aviat Aircraft Inc

Model: Husky A1-B

Serial Number: 2337

Year of Manufacture: 2006

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

☒ IFR-Equipped and Certified

☐ Commercial Space Flight

☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: 2,000 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1734 lbs

Number of Seats: 2 Flight Crew Seats: 1

Cabin Crew Seats: 1 Passenger Seats: 1

Number of Engines: 1

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

☐ Other Launch/Recovery System

☐ None

☒ Tailwheel

☐ High Skid

☐ Skid

☐ Ski

☐ Ski/Wheel

☐ 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/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	Lycoming	O-360-41P	L-40505-36A	11/23/2005	180	1,295	93	N/A
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

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

Date Last Inspection: 05/18/2017
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 1,295 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: MT- Propeller

Model: MTV-9-B

Propeller 2

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

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: Artex

Model or Part No.: 453-6603

TSO No.: ☐ C91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ C91a (121.5 MHz)

☒ C126 (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: _____

31" bushwheels

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION			
Registered Aircraft Owner Name: <u>William Brine</u> Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No		City: <u>Edgartown</u> State: <u>MA</u> ZIP: <u>02539</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Operator of Aircraft ☒ Same As Registered Owner Name: _____ Doing Business As: _____ Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____		☒ Same Address as Registered Owner City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Country: _____	
Operating Certificates Held <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ 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 <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Armed Forces ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Local ☐ Unknown		Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 <i>(Select one for each group)</i> ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Domestic ☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International ☐ Passenger ☐ Cargo ☐ Mail Contract Only
Revenue Sightseeing Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No		Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ 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	
AIRPORT INFORMATION <i>(Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)</i>			
Airport Name: <u>Williamsport Regional Airport</u> Airport Identifier: <u>KIPT</u> Proximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☒ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/A		Distance From Airport Center: _____ sm Direction From Airport: _____ degrees true Airport Elevation: _____ ft. msl	
Runway Information Runway ID: <u>09</u> (L/R/C) Length: <u>6,825</u> ft Width: <u>150</u> ft		Condition of Runway/Landing Surface <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ 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	
Runway/Landing Surface <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water ☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow ☐ Unknown			
Approach/Departure Segment <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ 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 <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ 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 <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ 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" INFORMATION																																																																																																				
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"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☒ Yes ☐ No																																																																																																				
"Flight Crewmember 1" Identification First Name: <u>William</u> Middle Initial: <u>H</u> Last Name: <u>Brine</u> City of Residence: <u>Edgartwon</u> State: <u>MA</u> ZIP: <u>02539</u> Country: <u>USA</u> Age at time of Accident/Incident: <u>56</u> Date of Birth: <u>1961</u> <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i> Certificate Number: <u> </u>																																																																																																				
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																																																																																													
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FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION					
Last Departure Point Airport ID: <u>None airport</u> City: <u>Reedsville</u> State: <u>PA</u> Country: <u>USA</u>		Time of Departure Time: <u>8:57</u> Time Zone: <u>EDT</u>		Destination Airport ID: <u>KIPT</u> City: <u>MONTOURSVILLE</u> State: <u>PA</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Type Flight Plan Filed ☒ None ☐ Company VFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ VFR ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ IFR ☐ Unknown Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown					
Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☒ VFR ☐ Special VFR ☐ IFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Cruise ☐ Unknown / NA					
Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply) ☐ Class A ☐ Class B ☐ Class C ☒ Class D ☐ Class E ☐ Class G ☐ Demo Area ☐ Warning Area ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ Restricted Area ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ TRSA ☐ FAR 93				Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: _____ ft msl	
WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE					
Source of Pilot Weather Information (Check all that apply) ☒ National Weather Service ☐ Flight Service Station ☐ TV/Radio ☒ Automated Report ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☒ On-Board Weather ☐ Company ☐ Military ☐ Internet ☐ None ☐ Unknown			Weather Observation Facility Facility ID: _____ Observation Time: _____ Time Zone: _____ Distance from Accident Site: _____ nm Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees true		
Basic Conditions ☒ VMC ☐ IMC ☐ Unknown		Light Condition ☐ Dawn ☒ Day ☐ Dusk ☐ Night ☐ Dark Night ☐ Bright Night ☐ Unknown			
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition ☒ Clear ☐ Few ☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Scattered ☐ Thin Broken ☐ Thin Overcast ☐ Unknown		Ceiling ☒ None (Clear) ☐ Broken ☐ Overcast ☐ Obscured ☐ Indefinite ☐ Unknown		Temperature: _____ (C) or _____ (F) Dew Point: _____ (C) or _____ (F) Altimeter Setting: _____ in. Hg or _____ MB	
Lowest Cloud Condition Height _____ ft agl		Ceiling Height _____ ft agl			
Wind Direction ☒ Variable -or- Direction: _____ degrees true	Wind Speed ☒ Calm ☐ Light and Variable -or- Speed: _____ kts	Wind Gusts ☒ Not Gusting -or- Speed: _____ kts	Visibility <u>10</u> miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles Density Altitude: _____ ft		
Intensity of Precipitation ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Heavy ☐ N/A ☐ Unknown		Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Rain ☐ Snow ☐ Hail ☐ Rain Showers ☐ Drizzle ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Ice Crystals ☐ Freezing Rain ☐ Snow Shower ☐ Ice Pellets Shower ☐ Freezing Drizzle		Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Blowing Sand ☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Dust ☐ Fog ☐ Ground Fog ☐ Haze ☐ Ice Fog ☐ Smoke ☐ Unknown	
Icing Forecast Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☐ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown		Icing Actual Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☐ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown		Turbulence Type (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Clear Air ☐ Terrain-Induced ☐ Convective Turbulence Severity ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Extreme	
NOTAMS (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident: Runway 12/30 closed Runway 09/27 E 1814 Ft closed Runway 27 threshold marking not standard					

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)*

Right main landing gear collapsed, right wingtip fairing broken. Possible spar and airframe damage. No damage to other property.

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 location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

See attached

Narrative History of Flight

On Sunday, October 22, 2017, upon touching down on Runway 09, an asphalt runway at Williamsport Regional Airport in Montoursville Pennsylvania (KIPT), the right main gear of my Husky A1-B (the "Aircraft") collapsed causing the right wingtip of the aircraft to strike the grass infield. I was the pilot and sole occupant of the Aircraft. I did not suffer any personal injuries and the Aircraft did not cause any property damage on the ground. My initial inspection of the Aircraft following the incident revealed what appeared to be damage to the gear strut and minor observable damage to the right wingtip of the Aircraft.

The weather on the day of the incident was a calm and clear. The flight originated from a field in Reedsville Pennsylvania consisting of a cleared grassy area of about 1,500' by 200' with a rolling and non-level surface. In addition there is a steep pitch in the center. Before takeoff I performed my preflight check, including walk around and run-up using a written checklist. After verifying compliance with all checklist items I taxied the Aircraft to the top of a hill at the departure end of the field where I shut the engine down and set the parking brake. I exited the Aircraft to take photographs of other planes departing ahead of me. I then re-entered the Aircraft did my visual left to right flow check of the cockpit and completed again the preflight cockpit checklist items before monitoring the local frequency and transmitted to local traffic my intent to take off. I pressed and released the parking brakes and applied power holding the left rudder and brake down to turn toward the direction of departure and started a very short ground roll downhill. The takeoff was uneventful and the Aircraft was airborne within approximately One Hundred Fifty (150) feet. The Aircraft proceeded straight during the takeoff roll with normal rudder correction required. I felt no sensation indicating that the left brake was engaged or sticking.

Upon entering the traffic pattern at KIPT, the Tower cleared me to land on Runway 09 as the third in a flight of three. After a right turn from base leg to final I set up for a stabilized approach to touchdown point about 500' beyond the threshold of the 6,000' by 150' runway. I crossed the end of the runway with full flaps. Slowing the plane as I got into ground effect. Touchdown was full stall, tail low with no cross-wind component. The stick was full back, elevator trim was set in the full up position as is normal for landing the Husky. The landing was smooth and normal until an abrupt turn to the left began. Experience suggested to me that I might be in some minor wake turbulence from the aircraft that just landed ahead of me. The reason for thinking it was wake turbulence was the uncontrolled turn started at just at the critical point of touchdown when directional control is at it lowest effectiveness; just at the switchover phase from rudder to tail wheel control. Thinking I was in need of wind over the tail control surfaces to regain directional control I applied full power to perform a go around and I applied full right rudder, with the intent to fly out of the uncontrolled turn. After applying power I regained elevator control but no rudder control. Without rudder control I chopped the power not wanting to fly without rudder authority. The plane continued to rotate around the left wheel, the right tire grabbed the grooved surface of the asphalt runway causing the right gear leg to buckle and the right wing impacted the grass infield. No prop strike occurred

during the incident and no property damage was caused by the Aircraft. I exited the Aircraft in the normal fashion after shutting off the fuel valve and the master switch.

In an effort to learn from this incident and avoid any reoccurrence in the future I have reviewed the facts preceding the incident and my actions with a CFI. I have also carefully reviewed the Airplane Flight Manual provided by the manufacture, Aviat Aircraft Inc. As noted above, the airport of departure was not an airport but a cleared grassy area of about 1,500' by 200' with rolling and non level surface. In addition there is a steep pitch in the center. I departed downhill on wet grass that morning. The Aircraft is equipped with smooth 31" Alaskan BushWheels. The combination of slope and wet grass, and smooth tires made for very little ground resistance on take off, which may explain the straight takeoff roll and lack of any sensation indicating an engaged or partially engaged left brake.

I have confirmed that my actions were not in violation of the manufacturer's checklist. Based upon the Airplane Flight Manual, the only way to check the operation of the parking brakes is to use them. There is no visual indicator within the Aircraft to alert the pilot that the brakes are off. The Checklist in the Aviat Airplane Flight Manual includes "Brakes: Test and Set" followed by this paragraph of explanation: "The parking brake controls consist of small metal tabs on top of each brake master cylinder on the rear pedals. To Set: 1. Apply pressure to the brake pedals. 2. Lift up on the tabs. 3. Release pressure to brake pedals. 4. The tabs should lock the piston in place. To release: 1 Apply pressure to the brake pedals. 2. Release pressure to the brake pedals."

In addition to releasing the parking brakes as per the Airplane Flight Manual when I made my turn to the left prior to takeoff, the pressure on the brake pedal should have automatically released the parking brake. Inexplicably, it did not. The prescribed check to see if the parking brake is off is that the plane will not move forward. In this case, at takeoff the Aircraft did, in fact, move forward. In retrospect, the combination of the large smooth tire, wet grass and a downhill slope may explain why the plane moved with one brake set. However, it appears that the stuck brake mechanism prevented normal operation of the parking brake release.

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

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

I suggest adding to the manufactures checklist: "After releasing parking brake roll forward a bit then test the brakes to be assured that both left and right parking brakes are off".

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.)

See attached

**Total Time/Cycles
On Part**

1295 _____ Hours

_____ Cycles

**Time Since This Part
Inspected/Overhauled**

93 _____ Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION

Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff
(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

20 _____ 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

none

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFT

Was an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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

Pilot exited the aircraft in the normal fashion.

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

Aircraft Registration Number

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: _____

Mechanical Malfunction:

Left parking brake did not disengage following the Airplane Flight manual procedure.

Once on the ground and recovering the plane from the runway it was observed by ground personnel that the left wheel was not turning. Upon a brief visual inspection it appeared to me and other observers that the brake pads were locked on the disc. Someone else in the recovery group suggested the left parking brake may be engaged: sure enough it was. I pushed on the left brake pedal to release the brake as per the instructions in the Husky A-1B Airplane Flight Manual and the brake did not disengage as it was supposed to. In order to disengage the parking brake on the left wheel I needed to manually push down on the lock mechanism while at the same time push on the brake pedal.

Cause of the runway excursion appears to have been a defective (inoperative) parking brake release mechanism.

Part number 62865 "Cylinder, Master"

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 Report10/31/2017*mm/dd/yyyy***Name of Pilot/Operator:** William Brine**Signature:** _____*-- or --*☒ Check here to electronically sign this document**If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report****Name:** _____**Title:** _____**Signature:** _____*-- or --*☐ Check here to electronically sign this document**FOR NTSB USE ONLY****NTSB Accident/Incident No.**GAA18CA022**Reviewed by NTSB Regional Office**GAA**Name of Investigator**Eric Swenson**Date Report Received**11/01/2017