



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

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Air Safety Investigator

(GAAID) General Aviation Accident Investigation Division December 4th 2019

NTSB Accident Number: GAA19CA580

Aircraft Registration & Make/Model: N739RT

Accident Location: Plant City, FL

Accident Date: 27SEP2019 @ 0920(EDT)

Subject: Memorandum for Record of Conversation -FAA Inspector Nance and Soaring Club President Steube

In support of the NTSB Air Safety Accident Investigation involving accident airplane N739RT, the Federal Aviation Administration, Aviation Safety Inspector reported that many of the soaring club members stated that, the accident airplane had controllability issues.

The inspector was not able to provide photographs of the accident airplane, but described the damage as substantial with, “severe buckling at the wing root, and deformation of the right rear spar.”

During a conversation with the Soaring Club President, the airplane’s controllability issue was described as the airplane being, “darty, like an old car that needs a wheel alignment, so more rudder was required.” When asked, why allow a student pilot to fly a “darty” airplane? The president stated that he, “will look into it.”

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