



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: August 8, 2014
Person Contacted: William Newsom (pilot)
NTSB Accident Number: WPR14CA334

Narrative:

During a telephone conversation, Mr. Newsom stated that as he neared Grapevine Pass, the fuel gauges were fluctuating and eventually indicated empty. He diverted to Bakersfield Municipal Airport, and declared an emergency. Mr. Newsom stated that he landed long on runway 34, overran the departure end of the runway, and struck a fence. Mr. Newsom further stated that other than the erratic fuel indication on the fuel gauges, no other mechanical issues existed with the airplane prior to the accident that would have precluded normal operation. He added that at the time of landing, the engine was still running.