



RECORD OF PHONE CONVERSATION

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The following is from an email written by Mr. Linn Hower describing his observations of the crash of N57477.

August 1, 2018, approximately 12:10PM

N57477, a Bellanca 7GCBC, departed the left side of the south landing runway during landing roll out. There were no injuries. Wind was generally out of the south and aligned with the runway, at 5-10 kts at time of incident. At times before and after, wind was 10-15. The runway portion used was dry with fair sod surface. I observed a normal 3-point landing with the aircraft aligned with the runway. I looked away briefly. When I look back the plane was established in a smooth left turn, at a slow speed. The plane was in a 3-point attitude. It rolled across a set irrigation pipe and through the border fence, which was just fence posts and 2 strands of soft electric fence tape. The left turn was a smooth arc. The aircraft stopped just off the runway, with the tail maybe 1 foot still on the runway. This was about 600 feet past the touchdown area. There was no evidence on the runway, following the arcing tracks, of locked brakes, tailwheel shimmy, swerving, or problems with the runway surface. One sprinkle riser was broken off at the bushing in the pipe.