



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

**Debra Eckrote
Regional Chief
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**Date: 1/4/19
Person: Jean and Steve Sautter
NTSB Accident Number: WPR19LA055**

Narrative:

During a telephone conversation with Mr. Sautter, he reported that he was in the house that is located on the north end of the Townsend airport and on the west side of the runway. He was looking out the window, which faces the runway and heard the engine “straining.” He then saw the airplane nose up into a high angle of attack. The airplane was utilizing runway 34 and attained an altitude of about 200 – 300 ft agl as it continued to the northeast and out of his line of sight. Mr. Sautter reported that he is a pilot.

During a telephone conversation with Mrs Sautter, she reported that she was outside of the house about 1600 mst and heard the pitch of the engine sound change. “It sounded different.” The airplane was about 1/3 of the way down runway 34 when the airplane pitched up into about a 45° angle.