



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: December 13, 2019
Person Contacted: Mr. Aleksey Sokirkin (owner/pilot)
Airplane Registration Number: N215T

Background:

On December 13, 2019, the NTSB IIC emailed the pilot regarding concerns about a potential mismatch between available evidence and the pilot's recount of the accident. In response the pilot sent an email which in part referred to a previous "accident" in the same airplane (N215T) on December 10, 2017. According to a letter provided by Mr. Sokirkin, the event occurred at R and K Sky ranch Airport (8W9) Rochester, WA. A flight instructor from "Safety In Motion Flight Center" was reportedly acting as the pilot in command of that flight. The letter stated that the event occurred on landing, resulted in a "ground loop" which "caused the aircraft to sustain damage to the propeller, wing tip and other parts of the air frame." An NTSB search of FAA and NTSB databased event records did not reveal this incident/accident occurrence. The letter reported that the airplane was repaired at/by Premier Aircraft in Troutdale, Oregon.

After receipt of this email response, a brief follow-up telephone conversation between the IIC and the pilot then took place on December 13, 2019.

The following is a synopsis of the information provided by Mr. Sokirkin in a telephone conversation on the above-noted date:

- Mr Sokirkin did not recall when repairs to the airplane were completed
- He began flying the repaired airplane in the spring of 2018
- He obtained his private pilot certificate in January 2018
- When asked, he could not recall whether he reported the December 2017 event to the FAA or NTSB