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Date: May 16, 2022

Subject: WPR22LA089

Contact: Blake Barrymore (Pilot)

During a telephone conversation, Mr. Barrymore reported that he feels the loss of engine power was due to carburetor ice. He said that he had looked at the engine and obtained spark on all ignition leads and verified the accelerator pump on the carburetor functioned. Mr. Barrymore reiterated that he feels he had flown through a layer that had the right temperatures that would have quickly developed carburetor ice, which led to the loss of engine power. Mr. Barrymore stated that he does not feel there were any mechanical issues with the airplane or engine.

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Date: February 22, 2022

Subject: WPR22LA089

Contact: Blake Barrymore (Pilot)

During a telephone conversation, Mr. Barrymore reported that he thinks that the loss of engine power was due to carburetor ice. He said that it was a nice day, and during the descent from 9,000 ft, is when the engine lost power. Mr. Barrymore stated that he had 20 gallons of fuel on board for the 30 minute flight.

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Date: January 30, 2022

Subject: WPR22LA089

Contact: Blake Barrymore (Pilot)

During a telephone conversation, Mr. Barrymore reported that he had changed the oil in the engine and put in an additive (avblend), prior to running engine on January 19, 2022, for about 35 to 40 minutes on the ramp. He stated that he decided to fly for an hour.

Mr. Barrymore stated that during the flight, the engine was running smooth, he had 2+ hours of fuel on board. As he circled around the ski resort, he was about 1,500 to 2,000 ft above ground level when the engine lost power. Mr. Barrymore said that he tried everything he could in his power, which included switching fuel tanks, applied carburetor heat, activated the starter, which he said "it [the engine] kind of fired a little bit," but was unable to restore power. Mr. Barrymore looked for a place to land, and initiated a landing in a snow-covered field. During the landing, the airplane nosed over and came to rest inverted.