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Subject: WPR23LA199 - Record of Conversation

Contact: Kelly Yates - Mechanic

Mr. Yates stated that he has been working with Cessna 172 model airplanes since about 1992 when he became an aircraft mechanic. At the time of the accident he was (and still is) employed with a Cessna Citation Service Center in Mesa, Arizona as a floor mechanic and in his spare time he works on small airplanes to maintain his inspection authorization. According to Mr. Yates, he was not aware of the 50 hour inspection requirement for the throttle linkage.

The investigator-in-charge suggested that he implement 50 hour inspections of the throttle linkage and other areas that require 50 hour inspection as prescribed by the maintenance manual into his 50 hour inspection/oil changes.