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Date: January 9, 2023

Subject: WPR23LA241 / Record of Conversation

Contact: Scott Ferris, Airplane owner

In a telephone conversation with the owner, he stated that he was in the airplane rental business and that he had owned the airplane for about a year and a half. He said that he rarely flew the accident airplane and did not know what the fuel consumption rate was. He stated that the fuel quantity gauges were not unreliable and that they had no big obvious errors. No one had complained about them to him. He indicated that after the FAA examined the airplane, he had it dismantled. He did not observe evidence of any fuel leaks on the components.

He recalled that the airplane did have a clear plastic dip stick, like the kind you can buy at Shorty's.



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Contact: Darren Henley, FAA

In a telephone conversation with the FAA representative. He did not examine the airplane at the accident site but did travel to the owner's location and examined the airplane there. His examination did not reveal any evidence of a fuel leak. He did not observe a mechanical malfunction or failure that would have precluded normal operation.

From: [Scott Farris](#)
To: [Fabian Salazar](#)
Subject: Re: Wreckage of N84385 Status
Date: Tuesday, December 19, 2023 11:43:01 AM

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I understood that the investigation was done as the FAA had come and interviewed me and Jay Maserian. I had no further contact with the NTSB or the FAA concerning this matter and they had not contacted me so it seemed natural that no one needed to see anything more on the airplane. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This is supported by the ADSB ground track information. I did not remove the wings myself but I asked the recovery crew if they had found any fuel in the airplane. I was told that there was no fuel in the tanks or fuel lines and did not see any when we removed the engine. [REDACTED]

This airplane was flown regularly and no one ever reported fuel leaks or problems with the fuel gauges, or electrical problems etc.

Thanks

Scott Farris

On Dec 14, 2023, at 8:20 AM, Fabian Salazar [REDACTED] wrote:

Scott,

Thank You for taking my call yesterday. As we discussed on the phone, please detail the circumstances that lead to the dismantling of the accident airplane. If you discovered any evidence of why the airplane lost power, please include that as well.

Respectfully
Fabian

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