

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD • PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT Use this form (Form 6120.1) to report civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Albuquerque State: NM

ZIP: 87120 Country: USA

Latitude: 38° 84' Longitude: 38° 44'

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 10 06 2025 Local Time: 9:10
mm/dd/yyyy HH:MM

Time Zone: MDT

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N5315M

Manufacturer: Raven

Model: Aerostar Rx8

Serial Number: 52131-D RWS 232

Year of Manufacture: 2002

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Original Design ☐ Kit/Plans

Make: _____

- ☐ IFR-Equipped and Certified
☐ Commercial Space Flight
☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: _____ lbs. aircraft 900

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: _____ lbs. passengers 500 lb

Number of Seats: 3 Flight Crew Seats: 0

Cabin Crew Seats: 0 Passenger Seats: 0

Number of Engines: 0

Category of Aircraft (Select one)

- ☐ Airplane
☒ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift
☐ Rocket
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate (Check all that apply)

- Standard**
☐ Normal
☐ Aerobatic
☒ Balloon
☐ Commuter
☐ Transport
☐ Utility
☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ None
- Special**
☐ Restricted
☐ Limited
☐ Provisional
☐ Special Flight
☐ Experimental
☐ Special Light-Sport
☐ Experimental Light-Sport
☐ Unknown

Landing Gear (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Retractable
☐ Tricycle
☐ Tailwheel
☐ Emergency Float
☐ Float
☐ Amphibian
☒ None
☐ High Skid
☐ Skid
☐ Ski/Wheel
☐ Hull
☐ Ski
☐ Other Launch/Recovery System
☐ Unknown

Engine Type (Select one)

- ☐ Reciprocating
☐ Turbo Shaft
☐ Turbo Prop
☐ Turbo Jet
☐ Turbo Fan
☐ Electric
☐ Liquid Rocket
☐ Solid Rocket
☐ Hybrid Rocket
☒ None
☐ Unknown

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

- ☐ Carburetor ☐ Fuel Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Engine Serial Number	Date of Mfg. (mm/dd/yyyy)	Rated Power ☐ Horsepower or ☐ Lbs. of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	<u>None</u>							
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour
☐ AAIP
☒ Annual
☐ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ Condition Inspection
☐ Unknown

Date of Last Inspection: 06 05 2025
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 702 hrs

Hours measured at (Select one)

☐ Last Inspection ☒ Time of Accident/Incident

Type of Maintenance Program (Select One)

- ☒ Annual
☐ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
☐ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
☐ Other Approved Inspection Program
☐ (AAIP) Continuous Airworthiness
☐ Other, specify: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☐ None
☒ Specify: Hand held fire extinguisher

Additional Equipment

- ☐ ADS-B
☐ Airframe Parachute
☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
☐ Autopilot
☐ Autopilot/FMS, Model: _____
☐ Coupled Flight Director
☐ Data Recorder
☐ Device Stall Warning System
☐ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
☐ Flight Management System
☐ Handheld GPS
☐ Heads Up Display
☐ Night Vision Goggles
☐ Onboard Weather
☐ Primary Flight Display
☐ SAS, Number of Axes: _____ Model: _____
☐ Satellite Tracking Device
☐ Stall Warning System
☐ Video Recording Device
☐ Wire Strike Detection
☐ Wire Strike Protection
☐ Other, Specify: _____

ELT Installed: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: _____

Model or Part No.: _____

TSO No.: ☐ C91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ C91a (121.5 MHz)
☐ C126 (406 MHz)

Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Did ELT activate? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If activated: Did ELT aid in locating aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If not activated: Indicate Reason: ☐ Impact Damage

☐ Fire Damage ☐ Battery Expired/Damaged ☐ Unknown

Propeller 1 ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Propeller 2 ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**

Name: [REDACTED]
 City: Cedar Crest State: NM
 ZIP: 87008 Country: USA

Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Operator of Aircraft ☒ The Operator is also the Registered Owner

Name: [REDACTED]
 City: Cedar Crest State: NM
 ZIP: 87008 Country: USA

☐ Same address as Registered Owner

Doing Business As: _____

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4-character code): _____

Operating Certificates Held
(Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121)
☐ Supplemental
☐ Air Cargo
☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129)
☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133)
☐ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135)
☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135)
☐ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136)
☐ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137)
☐ Pilot School (FAR 141)
☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ Commercial Space Transportation
 Experimental Permit
☐ Commercial Space Transportation License
☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft

Regulation Flight Conducted Under

- ☒ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 415
☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ FAR 431
☐ FAR 121 ☐ FAR 135 ☐ FAR 435
☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ FAR 437
☐ FAR 450
☐ FAR 91 Special Flight
☐ Non-US, Commercial
☐ Non-US, Non-commercial
☐ Public Aircraft (Select one)
 ☐ Armed Forces
 ☐ Federal
 ☐ State
 ☐ Local
☐ Unknown

Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135
(Select one for each group)

- ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Domestic
☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International
☐ Passenger
☐ Cargo
☐ Mail Contract Only

Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 (Select one)

- ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Firefighting
☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Flight Test
☐ Air Drop ☐ Glider Tow
☐ Air Race/Show ☐ Instructional
☐ Banner Tow ☐ Other Work Use
☐ Business ☒ Personal
☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Positioning
☐ External Load ☐ Skydiving
☐ Ferry ☐ Unknown

Revenue Sightseeing Flight

☐ Yes ☐ No

Air Medical Flight

☐ Yes ☐ No

AIRPORT INFORMATION (Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)

Airport Name: _____
 Airport Identifier: _____
 Proximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/A

Distance From Airport Center: _____ sm.
 Direction From Airport: _____ degrees true
 Airport Elevation: _____ ft. MSL

Runway Information

Runway ID: _____ Length: _____ ft. Width: _____ ft.

Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Ice ☐ Snow
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Dirt ☐ Helideck ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Unknown
☐ Elevated Heliport ☐ Helistop ☐ Off-site landing area

Condition of Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm
☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy
☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy
☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet
☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft
☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Vegetation ☐ Unknown

Approach/Departure Segment (Select one)

- ☐ Taxi ☐ VFR Departure ☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach
☐ Takeoff ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☐ Landing ☐ Base ☐ Go Around
☐ Initial Climb ☐ Final ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)
☐ Crosswind ☐ Unknown

IFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☒ None
☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ Unknown
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ RNAV ☐ Circling

VFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Stop and Go
☐ Straight-In ☐ Touch and Go
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Simulated Forced Landing
☐ Go Around ☐ Forced Landing
☐ Full Stop ☐ Precautionary Landing
☐ Unknown

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 1" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 1" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☐ Captain ☐ First Officer ☒ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 1" Identification

First Name: [REDACTED]
 Middle Initial: [REDACTED]
 Last Name: [REDACTED]
 Age at time of Accident/Incident: 21

City of Residence: Cedar Crest
 State: NM ZIP: 87008
 Country: USA
 Date of Birth: [REDACTED] (mm/dd/yyyy)
 Certificate Number: [REDACTED]

Degree of Injury ☒ None ☐ Serious ☐ Unknown ☐ Fatal ☐ Minor		Seat Occupied ☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown ☐ Right ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single		Restraint Type <table border="0"> <tr> <th>Available</th> <th>Used</th> </tr> <tr> <td>☒ None</td> <td>☒ None</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Lap only</td> <td>☐ Lap only</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 3-point</td> <td>☐ 3-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 4-point</td> <td>☐ 4-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 5-point</td> <td>☐ 5-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Unknown</td> <td>☐ Unknown</td> </tr> </table>		Available	Used	☒ None	☒ None	☐ Lap only	☐ Lap only	☐ 3-point	☐ 3-point	☐ 4-point	☐ 4-point	☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point	☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown	Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	
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☒ None	☒ None																				
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☐ 3-point	☐ 3-point																				
☐ 4-point	☐ 4-point																				
☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point																				
☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown																				
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☒ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Sport ☐ Student ☐ Flight Engineer				Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____																	
Principal Occupation ☐ Pilot ☒ Other ☐ Unknown		Medical Certificate ☒ None ☐ Class 3 ☐ Unknown ☐ Class 1 ☐ BasicMed ☐ Class 2 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)		Medical Certificate Validity ☐ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown ☐ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A ☐ Special Issuance		Date of Last Medical <u>None</u> mm/dd/yyyy															
Medical Certificate Limitations <u>None</u>				Medical Certificate Special Limitations																	

Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply)

☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal locator beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves
☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

05 15
May 2024
 mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Aerostar
 Model: Rx8

Airplane Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ Single-Engine Land ☐ Single-Engine Sea ☐ Multiengine Land ☐ Multiengine Sea		Other Aircraft Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Airship ☒ Balloon ☐ Glider ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift		Instrument Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Airplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift		Instructor Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Airplane Multiengine ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Powered lift		☐ Instrument Airplane ☐ Instrument Helicopter ☐ Helicopter ☐ Glider ☐ Sport	
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Type Ratings and Applicable Logbook Endorsements**Student Endorsements** (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter hours for each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air	Multi-engine Rotorcraft	Tail-wheel
						Actual	Simulated					
Total Time	1276	1276	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1276	0	0
Pilot in Command (PIC)	1276	1276	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1276	0	0
Time as Instructor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
This Make/Model												
Last 90 Days	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0
Last 30 Days	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0
Last 24 Hours	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 2" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 2" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☐ Captain ☐ First Officer ☐ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☒ Other Flight Crew *passenger*

"Flight Crewmember 2" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☒ No

"Flight Crewmember 2" Identification

First Name: [REDACTED]

City of Residence: Atbuquerque

Middle Initial: _____

State: NM

ZIP: 87110

Last Name: [REDACTED]

Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: _____

Date of Birth: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

Certificate Number: _____

Degree of Injury

☒ None ☐ Serious
☐ Unknown ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Restraint Type**Available**

☒ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Used

☒ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☒ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial
☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational
☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Sport
☐ Student ☐ Flight Engineer

Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☒ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☒ None ☐ Class 3 ☐ Unknown
☐ Class 1 ☐ BasicMed
☐ Class 2 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot Only)

Medical Certificate Validity

☐ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown
☐ With limitations/waivers ☒ N/A
☐ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical

 mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations**Medical Certificate Special Limitations****Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply)**

☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal Locator Beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves
☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

 mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: _____

Model: _____

Airplane Rating(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s) (Check all that apply)

☒ None
☐ Airship
☐ Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s) (Check all that apply)

☒ None
☐ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s) (Check all that apply)

☒ None ☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Airplane Multiengine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings and Applicable Logbook Endorsements**Student Endorsements (Include dates)**

Flight Time (Enter hours for each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air	Multi-engine Rotorcraft	Tail-wheel
						Actual	Simulated					
Total Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pilot in Command (PIC)												
Time as Instructor												
This Make/Model												
Last 90 Days												
Last 30 Days												
Last 24 Hours												

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information.)

Additional Crewmember Information <i>listed as passenger</i>		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: [REDACTED]	City of Residence: <u>Albuquerque</u>	☐ Left ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Right ☐ Unknown ☐ Front	☒ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: <u>NM</u> Zip: <u>87110</u>		
Last Name: [REDACTED]	Country: <u>USA</u>		
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal locator beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____			
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign		Restraint Type Available ☒ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☒ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☒ No	Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs.	Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	

Additional Crewmember Information		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____	City of Residence: _____	☐ Left ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Right ☐ Unknown ☐ Front	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____		
Last Name: _____	Country: _____		
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal Locator Beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____			
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Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs.	Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	

PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet, if necessary.)

Number of Passengers <u>2</u>					
Passenger Information	Seat	Injury	Restraint Type	Inflatable Restraints	Age
First Name: [REDACTED] City: <u>Albuquerque</u> Middle Initial: _____ State: <u>NM</u> Zip: <u>87110</u> Last name: [REDACTED] Country: <u>USA</u> ☐ Crew ☒ Passenger ☐ Other	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☒ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☒ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☒ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____					

First Name: <u>[REDACTED]</u> City: <u>Albuquerque</u> Middle Initial: _____ State: <u>NM</u> Zip: <u>87110</u> Last name: <u>[REDACTED]</u> Country: <u>USA</u> ☐ Crew ☒ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☒ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☒ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Used ☒ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
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First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point	Time of Departure	Flight Information	Destination	Type Flight Plan Filed
Airport ID: <u>Albuquerque</u> City: <u>Balloon Fiesta</u> State: <u>Albuquerque</u> Country: <u>NM USA</u>	Time: <u>8:00</u> HH:MM Time Zone: <u>MDT</u>	Flight Number: _____ Operating as Flight _____	Airport ID: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____	☒ None ☐ Company VFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ VFR Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Certificate of Authorization ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise
☐ VFR ☐ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Unknown / NA
☒ None

Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Class A ☐ Class G ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☐ Demo Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Warning Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Unknown
☐ Class D ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ TRSA
☒ Class E ☐ Restricted Area ☐ FAR 93

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: 20 ft agl ft. MSL**WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE****Source of Pilot Weather Information**

(Check all that apply)

- ☐ National Weather Service *AISF* ☐ Company
☒ Flight Service Station *Fiesta weather Briefing* ☐ Military
☐ TV/Radio ☐ Internet
☐ Automated Report ☐ None
☐ Electronic Flight Bag-Application: ☐ Unknown

☐ On-Board Weather**Weather Observation Facility**

Facility ID: _____
 Observation Time: _____
 Time Zone: _____
 Distance from Accident Site: _____ nm
 Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees true

Basic Conditions

- ☒ VMC
☐ IMC
☐ Unknown

Lowest Cloud ConditionHeight None ft. AGL**Light Condition**

- ☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown
☒ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition

- ☒ Clear ☐ Thin Broken
☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast
☐ Partial ☐ Unknown
☐ Obscuration
☐ Scattered

Ceiling

- ☒ None (Clear)
☐ Broken
☐ Overcast
☐ Obscured
☐ Indefinite
☐ Unknown

Ceiling Height

_____ ft. AGL

Temperature: _____ (°C) or 75 (°F)

Dewpoint: _____ (°C) or _____ (°F)

Altimeter Setting:3015 (Hg), or _____ (mb)**Wind Direction**

☒ Variable or
 Direction: _____
 degrees true

Wind Speed

☐ Calm
☒ Light and Variable
 or
 Speed: _____ kts

Wind Gusts

☒ Not Gustating
 or
 Speed: _____ kts

Visibility

_____ 10 miles
 RVR: _____ feet
 RVV: _____ miles
 Density Altitude: _____ ft.

Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)

- ☒ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain
☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower
☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower
☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle
☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals

Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply)

- ☐ None ☐ Fog
☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog
☐ Blowing Sand ☐ Haze
☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog
☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke
☐ Dust ☐ Unknown

Icing Forecast

- Amount**
☒ None ☐ N/A
☐ Trace ☐ Rime
☐ Light ☐ Clear
☐ Moderate ☐ Mixed
☐ Severe ☐ Unknown
☐ Unknown

Intensity of Precipitation

- ☐ Light
☐ Moderate
☐ Heavy
☐ N/A
☐ Unknown

Icing Actual

- Amount**
☐ None ☐ N/A
☐ Trace ☐ Rime
☐ Light ☐ Clear
☐ Moderate ☐ Mixed
☐ Severe ☐ Unknown
☐ Unknown

Turbulence (Check all that apply)

- Type**
☐ None **Severity**
☐ Clean Air ☐ Light
☐ Terrain-Induced ☐ Moderate
☐ Convective ☐ Severe
☐ Turbulence ☐ Extreme

NOTAMS (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**

☐ None ☒ Substantial
☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed
 ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Fire

☐ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Explosion

☐ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (Use additional sheet, if necessary.)

power line strike -

Bottom 2" of Basket caught on powerline as descending for landing - 4 seconds later gondola came free of powerline + flight continued 12 vertical wicker attachments to basket severed at floor attachment Aluminum tube frame severed

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT (Please type or print in ink.)

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

Lift off at AIBF field at 8 AM -

at 200-400 ft agl flew NW, across Rio Grande to East side of Corrales

at 100-200 ft agl flew South along West side Rio Grande

5 miles, all in Class E airspace set up landing 1 mi South of Hwy 40 + 0.25 mi East of Coors Blvd.

my Chase crew ready + waiting for my landing in parking lot. in descent, knowing I was crossing power lines, the descent was too rapid + touched the last of the 3 lines

Bottom 2" of basket caught on line + slowed forward progress

Began using burner, causing ascent. Basket came free of line and flew on with basket still strong and not obvious any damage had occurred - No fire

Safe landing 1/2 mi farther West

Public service New Mexico (power company in Albuquerque) said power was tripped for 5 min + automatically reset. No damage done to power line -

After landing walked balloon to Bluewater Road + could assess damage to gondola

OPERATOR/OWNER SAFETY RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

#1 Slowing descent + clearing power line by 2" + then dropping into parking lot.

#2 flying on to a different landing site

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on a separate sheet.)Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

Total Time/ Cycles On Part

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

Time Since This Part Inspected/Overhauled

_____ Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION

Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff

(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

_____ 30 Gallons

Fuel Type

☐ 100 Low Lead☐ Automotive☐ Jet A☐ Jet A-1☐ Unleaded AV☒ Other, specify

propane

Other Services, if any, prior to departure:

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFT

Was an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed?

☐ Yes☒ No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location:

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for *other* aircraft.)

Aircraft Registration Number

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft:

☐ Destroyed☐ Substantial☐ Minor☐ None

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

Name: _____

City: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Additional space for answers to any question.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

I understand that the information provided may be subject to public release.

Date of this report:

10 25 2025

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator:

Signature:

-or- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a person other than Pilot/Operator is filing this report

Name:

Title:

Signature:

-or- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

FOR NTSB USE ONLY

NTSB Accident/Incident No.	Reviewed by NTSB AS Division	Name of Investigator	Date Report Received
WPR26LA021	OAS-WPR	Grant Mills	10/27/2025

Powerline Strike Incident Oct 6, 2025

Hot air Balloon Pilot License

Balloon Fiesta entry # 516

Location Gonzales St. and 68th,
Albuquerque, NM 9:10 AM

Balloon N 5315 M

Photos of Basket Damage

one corner cut through 8 wicker
vertical attachments and 1 aluminum
structural tube

No other damage done to gondola, burner
instruments or envelope

2 Passengers on board:

[REDACTED] Albuquerque 87110

[REDACTED] Albuquerque 87110

No one was injured
Safe landing 1/2 mi further west