



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: May 19, 2020
Person Contacted: Richard Ball, Lone Star Retrieval
NTSB Accident Number: CEN20LA174 – Gonzales, Texas

Narrative:

Mr. Ball recovered the airplane from the accident site. The airframe sustained damage to the right wing, fuselage, and engine mount. A photo provided by Mr. Ball depicted damage at two locations along the right-wing leading edge. The first was near the wing root and consisted of a hole approximately 10 inches long with an area of delamination extending beyond the hole. The second area was located near mid-span and consisted of delamination exceeding 12 inches in length. The right wing did not appear to have any damage to the wing spar or wing-to-fuselage attachment. The left wing did not appear to be damaged.

The fuselage sustained damage at two locations on the left side. One was in the forward fuselage near the cockpit area and one was in the aft fuselage in the area of the N-number. The damage was about the size of a half-dollar coin and did not completely penetrate the fuselage. The engine was dislocated from the properly aligned position and the engine mount was deformed consistent with the accident sequence.

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