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ACCIDENT INFORMATION

Location: Los Alamos, New Mexico
Date : December 8, 2013
Vehicle : Aviat Aircraft A-C1-200, N80MF
NTSB No. : CEN14FA077
Investigator : Craig Hatch, ASI-CEN

COMPONENTS EXAMINED

Two mating sections of a fractured flap cable as follows:
One section cut approximately 18 from the fracture;
Mating section cut approximately 39 inch from the fracture.

DETAILS OF THE EXAMINATION

The cable consisted of 7 strands with 19 wires per strand (7 x 19). The two fractured ends of the flap cable were cleaned using an alkaline detergent in a sonicator and examined using a stereomicroscope. The fractured ends were frayed. Some wires exhibited necking and other wires exhibited a slant fracture morphology. The observed features were consistent with a tensile overstress fracture under a high strain rate.

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