

September 16, 2003

Ms. Tealeye Cornejo

National Transportation Safety Board

Gardena, CA 92048

Subject: Examination of Governor

From Cessna 188A, N5638J

Dear Ms. Cornejo:

The following report concerns the inspection of the propeller governor from the above subject aircraft.

Subject governor was installed in a Cessna 188A aircraft, N5638J, which crashed on January 15, 2003, at Brawley, California. McCauley was requested to assist in the examination by examining the propeller governor for functionality, settings, output, and performance. The governor was inspected and tested on September 9, 2003 with the following in attendance:

Stan Faske

FAA FSDO

Tom Knopp

McCauley

- The governor was Model Number C290D3-K/T9, Serial Number 772897. The model number was correct for the Cessna 188A aircraft.
- The governor appeared undamaged and the drive gear rotated freely by hand (no obstructions).
- The governor was bench tested on a McCauley governor machine with the following findings:

	<u>S/N 772897</u>	Mfg. Specifications
Max. rpm	*2794 rpm	$2850 \pm 10 \text{ rpm}$
Pressure relief	305 psi	$290 \pm 20 \text{ psi}$
Pump capacity	5.5 qts./min.	5.0 qts./min. min.
Int. Leakage	12.5 qts./hr.	30 qts./hr. max.

^{*}Lower than specified max rpm setting could be the result of on-aircraft adjustment to compensate for engine transfer bearing leakage, or aircraft tachometer error.

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Overall, the governor performance and function was satisfactory.

If you require additional information, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

Thomas M. Knopp

Chief Engineer - Propellers

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cc: Stan Faske