



MEMORANDUM

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Office of Aviation Safety - Eastern Region

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The fuel servo, model RSA-10ED1, S/N 72GD2401 was taken to Avstar Fuel Systems, Inc. for examination and testing. The unit was removed from the box and examined. The cotter pin was missing from the throttle lever and the safety wire was missing from the mixture adjustment stop bolt. All controls moved smoothly and appeared to be in good working order.

The unit was connected to a test bench and ran through different scenarios to simulate take-off power, idle and cruise. The unit passed all test points. The idle mixture was noted to be a little rich but would not affect the performance of the engine.

See test specification page.

The B-nut was then loosened to simulate the condition of the line as found during the on-site investigation. As soon as the B-nut was broken loose from the torque, it started leaking and spraying out, also inducing some air into the servo unit, viewed by air bubbles coming out the return line. The line could not be loosened two full turns as found during the on-site exam as too much fluid was spraying out.

See video in docket.

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HYST. OK
 PRESS. OK
 TRAV. OK 2pph

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TEST SPECIFICATION
 SERVICE LIMITS

PRECISION AIRMOTIVE LLC - FUEL CONTROLS - MARYSVILLE, WASHINGTON

10171-03
 [REDACTED] 1-13-12

INSTALLATION PARTS LIST: 2524273-12 MODEL: RSA-10ED1 SERIAL NUMBER: 72GD2401

OPERATOR: RENE LOEW DATE: 08/21/2018

BASIC PARTS LISTS: 2524516 FUEL PRESSURE: 25-27 PSI FUEL SP. GRAV. 0.733 @ 76 °F
 2524648

TEST POINT NUMBER	1	2	3	4
METERING SUCTION (INCHES OF WATER)	0	0	3.6	15.8
CORRESPONDING AIRFLOW (LBS/HR)	0	0	800	1700
MIXTURE CONTROL POSITION	RICH	ICO	RICH	RICH
THROTTLE POSITION	W/O	W/O	W/O	W/O

FLOWMETER LIMITS

	1	2	3	4
MINIMUM	32.5	0	75.0	154.8
OBSERVED (LBS/HR)	51.0	1	77.0	155.0
MAXIMUM	44.7	5 cc/min	84.0	165.5

BURETTE TIME LIMITS (Using MIL-C-7024 Type II STODDARD)

BURETTE VOLUME (cc)	200	500	850
MINIMUM	27.3	36.3	31.3
OBSERVED (SECONDS)	X	X	X
MAXIMUM	37.6	40.7	33.5

METERING HEAD AVG

	1	3	4
OBSERVED (" STODDARD)	3.5	6.7	37.8
		8.5	37.5

Idle FUEL FLOW 12pph @ 0.006"