

# Memorandum of Conversation



Date: September 11, 2014

Time: 1000 central daylight time

Conversation Including: George Nolin, Pilot/Builder

Conversation Regarding: CEN14LA495, N104HN

Duration of Call: 15 Minutes

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## Summary & Factual Information from Conversation:

Mr. Nolin reported that the accident occurred during the airplane's second flight since receiving its experimental airworthiness certificate on July 1, 2014, and that he was still operating under the restrictions of the initial flight test phase. Mr. Nolin stated that the airplane's maiden flight was completed earlier in the day and was flown by another pilot. Mr. Nolin reported that the accident occurred during his first flight in the airplane and that he was being assisted by the pilot who had completed the earlier flight. The purpose of the second flight test was to complete basic flight maneuvers, verify/calibrate cockpit instrumentation, and to perform several takeoff-and-landings at the nearby RWJ Airpark (54T), Baytown, Texas, before returning to EFD. Mr. Nolin reported that during his final landing at 54T, the engine, while at an idle power setting, experienced a total loss of power during landing roll. After several unsuccessful engine starts, attempted over a period of 15-20 minutes, Mr. Nolin was able to restart the engine and depart on the return flight to EFD. While en route, shortly after he had established communications with EFD air traffic control tower, the airplane experienced another total loss of engine power about 3 miles east of the airport. The airplane did not have sufficient altitude remaining to glide to the airport and a forced landing was made to a nearby vacant field. The left main and nose landing gear collapsed during landing roll, which resulted in substantial damage to the left wing primary structure and the forward fuselage structure.

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I can attest that the above summary and factual information was taken on the above stated day, and is correct to the best of my knowledge:

Signed: \_ Andrew Todd Fox \_

Dated: \_ 09/11/2014 \_

**Andrew Todd Fox**

**National Transportation Safety Board**

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