

## MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

**Investigator: Brian C. Rayner Senior Air Safety Investigator** 

**Eastern Region** 

Date: April 10, 2016

Reference: Ms. Gina Landry - Passenger

NTSB Accident Number: ERA16FA150 Ocala, FL

Ms. Landry was a passenger in the accident airplane, and she was well acquainted with the pilot. She was interviewed the day after the accident.

Ms. Landry stated that she was not a pilot, but had flown in the airplane several times. After landing at OCF the previous day, the pilot requested a fuel service of 10 gallons per wing, and they then spent the night with family. On the morning of the accident, they boarded the airplane for a flight to the Sun-n-Fun fly-in event. According to the Ms. Landry, engine start, taxi, run-up, acceleration, takeoff and initial climb from runway 36 were "normal."

Ms. Landry said she heard a sudden noise "like a click" and the engine stopped producing power. The pilot announced the loss of power and his plan for the forced landing over the radio. The airplane was north of both runways and the left turn westbound was "steady" until the airplane was approximately over runway 26. The wings began "rocking" and the turn continued to the left until the bank was 90 degrees and the left wing struck the ground.