



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Narrative:

The following is a synopsis of the information provided by Mr. Nauta in an email conversation regarding the brake system testing that was conducted.

- We put the whole brake system on a "mule" and found that the right brake had an extremely small leak (one drop) from both O rings at 500 psi. The rest of the system appears good and we could find no sign of fluid in the belly.
- We assumed that the leak was so small and only when under pressure that that is why we never saw evidence of it on the pre-flights.
- We replaced the O rings on both calipers and pressurized the system again and found no leakage.
- My wife and I have owned approximately thirty aircraft over the last 45 years and have only had two Cessnas that we had found leaks on brakes and both were very evident.
- In the future we'll be checking the brakes prior to landing.