

NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

Investigator name: Shaun Williams

Title: Senior Aviation Accident Investigator

Region: Central

Date: 02 February, 2020

Person Contacted: Jim Nyerges NTSB Accident Number: CEN20TA071

Narrative:

On January 29 2020, about 1710 central standard time, a Beechcraft BE60 airplane, N50JR, sustained substantial damage during a forced landing about ½ mile southwest of Edwards Lucian Wells Ranch Airport (TX31), Big Spring, Texas. Mr. Nyerges was acting as pilot-in-command of the accident airplane.

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Mr. Nyerges, when asked to explain what happened on the flight replied "[t]hey up my gas somehow." He stated that the airplane did not have what it was supposed to have had on board. He estimated that there should have been about 65-70 gallons total. The trip to Odessa, he estimated, was to only take about 40 minutes, so he added 40 gallons of 100LL in Abilene, which he said showed the fuel tanks as ½ full. The fuel computer he said, showed about 3.5 hours of fuel remaining.

When asked about fuel burn, he stated that the airplane should burn about 18 gal per engine, per hour in cruise flight.

Mr. Nyerges stated that on December 11, 2019, he flew the airplane to Abilene, where it had been since then. He said that prior to that flight, he added 60 gallons of fuel.

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