

RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: September 20, 2017

Person Contacted: Mr. Lawrence Erick NTSB Accident Number: WPR17LA202

Narrative:

I contacted Mr. Erick via the telephone to further discuss his statement. Mr. Erick reported, this was his first flight in the airplane, and his first flight from the Ogden-Hinckley Airport. I asked him if he could please describe how the engine sounded when he observed it not producing power. He reported that the engine sounded fine, except the airplane was not climbing even though the RPM gauge was "about half a needle below redline". There was no change in the sound of the engine and it was not running obviously rough. He enriched the mixture and there was no improvement. He turned on the fuel boost pump and he had a little extra power for about half a second. Finally, he tested the magnetos and both indicated normal. He attempted to maintain altitude, however, his airspeed was steadily decreasing, therefore, he elected land onto a nearby road.

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Submitted by: Samantha Link