

Aviation Safety

Bradley Flight Standards District Office 1699 King Street, Suite 210 Enfield, CT 06082

Ralph Hicks NTSB

Dear Mr. Hicks:

On June 14, 2021 I helped investigate an accident that occurred at Groton Airport (KGON) on June 13, 2021. Cessna N430EP serial number17280648 ran off the runway while landing on runway 23, striking a runway marker sign. Damage to the aircraft was significant, and caused by the impact with the sign.

The aircraft was locked, and tied down on the ramp when I arrived. I did not have access to the keys, nor could I enter the aircraft. The aircraft was in good condition except the impact areas from the sign. The Brakes were inspected and appeared to be in good condition, the flight controls, ailerons, and rudder were in good condition, and appeared to be in good working condition. The elevator which was damaged from the sign appeared to have been in good working condition. On the runway in the touchdown area was a braking/skid mark left of centerline veering hard left toward where the sign was.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at email at Our office hours are Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sincerely,

