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Subject: ERA24LA279 Correspondence with Owner

Contact: Alex Rolinski, Owner and Manufacturer

The following are excerpts from email correspondence with the airplane owner/manufacturer:

October 8, 2024, Lauren Stratton:

When did you deliver the airplane for maintenance? Where did you fly from? How long was that flight?

When was the last time the airplane was fueled? Do you have a record? Purchase receipt? And if not a date and time from when it was fueled?

When were you expecting the airplane to be complete? Did you have a date set up for pickup of the aircraft post maintenance?

October 9, 2024, Alex Rolinski:

I do not have the serial number for the engine, I would have to get it off the engine itself.

When did you deliver the airplane for maintenance? Where did you fly from? How long was that flight?: We are the manufacturer of the aircraft. I own the company Aero Adventure that manufactures the kits for the Aventura II. I built that airplane to be our demo plane in 2021. We do our own maintenance here at our deland facility, The aircraft was sold to a gentleman named TIM. He reserved a new N number and we used a company called Aero Title to complete the Number and ownership

change. There were some upgrades he requested such as installing LEMO jacks etc. we were ensuring the plane was all ready to go before the delivery date of Monday. I flew the aircraft regularly around deland. It flew a week prior to the incident by me personally.

When was the last time the airplane was fueled? That day, If I am not mistaken I know it had Half a tank when Alex G arrived at the accident scene, he sent me photos because I was in Ft Lauderdale. So I assume Deland Aviation would have the record, however no one ever types in the correct N number if it was done at self serve.

When were you expecting the airplane to be complete? by Monday.

Did you have a date set up for pickup of the aircraft post maintenance? Monday

October 10, 2024, Lauren Stratton:

I want to make sure I fully understand the situation and the timeline leading up to the accident flight.

- 1. Do you have flight logs for this aircraft?
- 2. Do you know when it had flown last before the accident flight on 06/26?
- 3. Do you know who would have been the one to fill it with fuel that day?
- 4. Does the avionics mechanic that was onboard the plane work for Aero Adventure or a separate shop?
- 5. Do you know where the aircraft was being stored while it was being worked on?

October 12, 2024, Alex Rolinski:

- 1. Do you have flight logs for this aircraft? I have log books, No "flight" logs though.
- 2. Do you know when it had flown last before the accident flight on 06/26? yes about 1 week prior.
- 3. Do you know who would have been the one to fill it with fuel that day? Roberto Chang (unless it had fuel already)

- 4. Does the avionics mechanic that was onboard the plane work for Aero Adventure or a separate shop? he worked for Aero Affinity
- 5. Do you know where the aircraft was being stored while it was being worked on? Hangar E20

November 13, 2024, Lauren Stratton:

The accident flight occurred on June 26. The data we pulled off the GDU 450 depicts that flight as well as either a runup or very short flight on the 23rd of June and another flight before that on May 17. Was hoping you could concur if you think that is correct for the flights logged?

November 15, 2024, Alex Rolinski:

Yes that sounds about right, we had sent the carburetors to overhaul at lock wood and had them reinstalled, that is probably the short run you saw.

Novembert 17, 2024, Alex Rolinski:

Supposed to do it every 200 hrs and we didn't know last time they were done. So we just sent them in, I have the sticker with the invoice. Never made it into the logbooks.