

Laura Abraham Air Safety Investigator Central Region

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Subject: CEN23FA360

Contact: Mary Lauren Stanford, wife of pilot, Richard Stanford - telephone

interview

Mrs. Stanford reported that she overheard her husband telling a friend that he got a low fuel warning while operating on the right main fuel cell and the rpm was decreasing, so he switched to the left main fuel cell, and the rpm continued to decrease. Since switching to the left main fuel cell did not help with the decreasing rpm, he decided to switch back to the right main fuel cell hoping to have enough fuel left in the right main fuel cell to reach the airport. Mrs. Stanford also stated that she left the room while her husband was talking with his friend before that conversation ended, so she did not hear the entire conversation.

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