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Subject: CEN22LA343 Memorandum for the Record

FAA On Site Examination Findings Summary

Contact: NTSB IIC and Don Bell, FAA OKC FSDO Inspector

FAA inspector Bell reported the following information to the NTSB IIC via telephone:

- Examination of the airplane on site showed that it landed in a field about 1 mile from the Grand Lake Airport. The inspector said that the pilot told him that he was going to refuel at Grand Lake because the fuel was less expensive than it was at Colorado Springs.
- The left wing was crumpled. The underside of the front of the fuselage was substantially damaged.
- Examination of the engine did not reveal any mechanical anomalies. The propeller assembly was turned by hand and normal thumb compression was attained. The spark plugs exhibited normal wear. The valves moved freely with no binding. Thet throttle body and mixture control connections and linkages in the cockpit and engine were connected and intact.
- Flight control continuity was confirmed from the cockpit to the flight control surfaces.
- The left fuel tank was found dry. About 1 inch of fuel was observed in the right fuel tank. There appeared to be no leaks from either fuel tanks at the accident site, and no blight was present on the ground. The fuel selector switch was found in the left fuel tank position.