



Aviation Investigation Factual Report

Location: Mountain Home, Idaho

Date & Time: October 20, 2014, 10:15 Local

Aircraft: INDUS AVIATION INC. T-211

THORPEDO

Defining Event: Ground collision

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Accident Number: WPR15CA017

Registration: N211MY

Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Injuries: 1 None

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Sport Pilot	Age:	89
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Multi-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	Glider	Restraint Used:	3-point
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	Airplane multi-engine; Airplane single-engine; Glider; Instrument airplane	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	None With waivers/limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	
Occupational Pilot:	Yes	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	May 7, 2014
Flight Time:	10016 hours (Total, all aircraft), 312 hours (Total, this make and model)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	INDUS AVIATION INC.	Registration:	N211MY
Model/Series:	T-211 THORPEDO	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:	2006	Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Special light-sport (Special)	Serial Number:	022S
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	May 12, 2014 100 hour	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1270 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	11 Hrs	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	312 Hrs at time of accident	Engine Manufacturer:	Jabiru
ELT:		Engine Model/Series:	3300
Registered Owner:	Earl W Pitts	Rated Power:	120 Horsepower
Operator:	Earl W Pitts	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:		Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:		Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Unknown	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	14 knots / 18 knots	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	175°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipita	ation	
Departure Point:	Mountain Home, ID (U76)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	Mountain Home, ID (U76)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:		Type of Airspace:	Class G

Airport Information

Airport:	Mountain Home U76	Runway Surface Type:	
Airport Elevation:	3167 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Unknown
Runway Used:		IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:		VFR Approach/Landing:	None

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	43.360019,-115.519386(est)

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Little, Thomas
Additional Participating Persons:	
Report Date:	December 4, 2014
Last Revision Date:	
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>
Note:	This accident report documents the factual circumstances of this accident as described to the NTSB.
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=90282

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