



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: DYERSBURG, Tennessee Accident Number: ATL94LA044

Date & Time: January 26, 1994, 09:10 Local Registration: N5333A

Aircraft: CESSNA 310A Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** 2 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

### **Analysis**

THE COMMERCIAL PILOT WAS FLYING A VOR/DME APPROACH. SKY CONDITIONS WERE PARTIALLY OBSCURED, CEILING 100 FEET, VISIBILITY 1.25 MILES, WITH DRIZZLE. THE PILOT REPORTED THAT HE BROKE OUT OF THE WEATHER AT MINIMUMS, AND LANDED THE AIRCRAFT ABOUT 1/2 TO 2/3 DOWN ON THE 5,000 FOOT RUNWAY. BRAKING ACTION ON THE WET RUNWAY WAS INSUFFICIENT TO STOP THE AIRCRAFT, AND THE AIRCRAFT OVERRAN THE RUNWAY. THE AIRCRAFT COLLIDED WITH A FENCE, THEN IMPACTED TREES AT THE AIRPORT BOUNDARY. THE PILOT REPORTED NO MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION OR FAILURE WITH THE AIRCRAFT.

### **Probable Cause and Findings**

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: THE FAILURE OF THE PILOT TO ATTAIN A PROPER TOUCHDOWN POINT, WHICH RESULTED IN A LONG LANDING AND AN OVERRUN OF THE RUNWAY. FACTORS WERE THE WEATHER CONDITIONS (SKY OBSCURATION, LOW CEILING, FOG AND DRIZZLE) AT THE TIME OF THE ACCIDENT, AND THE WET RUNWAY CONDITIONS.

### **Findings**

Occurrence #1: OVERRUN

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

**Findings** 

- 1. (F) WEATHER CONDITION OBSCURATION
- 2. (F) WEATHER CONDITION LOW CEILING
- 3. (F) WEATHER CONDITION FOG
- 4. (F) WEATHER CONDITION DRIZZLE/MIST
- 5. (C) PROPER TOUCHDOWN POINT NOT ATTAINED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 6. (F) AIRPORT FACILITIES, RUNWAY/LANDING AREA CONDITION WET

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Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

#### **Findings**

7. OBJECT - FENCE

8. OBJECT - TREE(S)

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#### **Factual Information**

On January 26, 1994, at 0910 central standard time, a Cessna 310A, N5333A, landed long and overran the runway at the Dyersburg Municipal Airport in Dyersburg, Tennessee. The commercial pilot and one passenger were not injured. The aircraft was substantially damaged. The aircraft was owned and operated under 14 CFR Part 91 by the pilot. Instrument meteorological conditions prevailed at the time, and an instrument flight rules flight plan was filed for the personal flight. The flight originated in Springfield, Illinois at 0730 cst.

The pilot reported that he broke out of the weather at minimums, and landed the aircraft about one-half to two-thirds down the 5,000 foot long runway. The runway was wet, and he was unable to stop the aircraft in the remaining distance. The aircraft collided with a perimeter fence, then collided with trees. The right wing broke away from the fuselage, and the aircraft caught fire. The pilot put out the fire with a hand-held extinguisher. The pilot reported no mechanical malfunction or failure with the aircraft following the accident.

The reported visibility at the time of the accident was 1.25 miles. The visibility minimums for the Dyersburg VOR/DME Runway 4 approach were 1 mile. The minimum descent altitude (MDA) for the approach was 750 feet mean sea level, or 455 feet above ground level. The sky condition at the time of the accident was partially obscured, with a ceiling of 100 feet.

#### **Pilot Information**

Certificate:	Commercial; Flight instructor	Age:	22,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Multi-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	Airplane multi-engine; Airplane single-engine; Instrument airplane	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 1 Valid Medicalno waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	May 26, 1993
Occupational Pilot:	UNK	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	2050 hours (Total, all aircraft), 210 hours (Total, this make and model), 1816 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 301 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 81 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 3 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

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### **Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information**

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N5333A
Model/Series:	310A 310A	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	35533
Landing Gear Type:	Retractable - Tricycle	Seats:	4
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	November 24, 1993 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	4600 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	31 Hrs	Engines:	2 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	4893 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Installed	Engine Model/Series:	0-470-M
Registered Owner:	MCCULLOUGH, BRIAN K.	Rated Power:	240 Horsepower
Operator:	MCCULLOUGH, BRIAN K.	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

# Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Instrument (IMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	DYR ,337 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	1 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	09:14 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	40°
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>		Visibility	1.25 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Overcast / 100 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	4 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	80°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	12°C / 11°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	N/A - None - Fog		
Departure Point:	SPRINGFIELD , IL (SPI )	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	IFR
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	IFR
Departure Time:	07:30 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class D

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# **Airport Information**

Airport:	DYERSBURG MUNICIPAL DYR	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	338 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Wet
Runway Used:	4	IFR Approach:	VOR/DME
Runway Length/Width:	5000 ft / 100 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	None

# Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Fire:	On-ground
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	36.029457,-89.379219(est)

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#### **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Hicks, Ralph Additional Participating DEBORA J CATRON; MEMPHIS , TN KENNETH MCMINN: MEMPHIS Persons: . TN **Original Publish Date:** November 14, 1994 **Last Revision Date: Investigation Class:** Class Note: **Investigation Docket:** https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=3343

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