



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location:	NULATO, Alaska	Accident Number:	ANC85LA057
Date & Time:	March 14, 1985, 14:55 Local	Registration:	N7848B
Aircraft:	CURTISS C-46R	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:		Injuries:	2 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation		

Analysis

THE ACFT CONTINUED OFF THE END OF THE RWY AND CONTACTED A SNOW BERM DURING THE LANDING ROLL. THE PLT REPORTED THE RWY BRAKING ACTION AS POOR.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

Findings

Occurrence #1: OVERRUN
Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

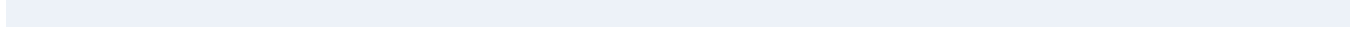
Findings

1. (F) AIRPORT FACILITIES,RUNWAY/LANDING AREA CONDITION - SNOW COVERED
2. (C) JUDGMENT - POOR - PILOT IN COMMAND
3. (C) BRAKES(NORMAL) - INADEQUATE - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER ENCOUNTER WITH TERRAIN/WATER
Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

4. TERRAIN CONDITION - SNOWBANK



Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Airline transport	Age:	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:	Yes
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 1 Valid Medical--w/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	
Occupational Pilot:	Yes	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	14700 hours (Total, all aircraft), 1200 hours (Total, this make and model), 14700 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 60 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 30 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 5 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CURTISS	Registration:	N7848B
Model/Series:	C-46R C-46R	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Transport	Serial Number:	273
Landing Gear Type:	Retractable - Tailwheel	Seats:	4
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	January 6, 1985 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	49000 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	76 Hrs	Engines:	2 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	2803 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	P&W
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	R-2800/97
Registered Owner:	CLIFFORD R. EVERTS	Rated Power:	2000 Horsepower
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:	EVERTS AIR FUEL	Operator Designator Code:	

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:	Clear	Visibility	40 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	/	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	0°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	-3°C / -8°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	FAIRBANKS , AK (FAI)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	12:00 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

Airport Information

Airport:	NULATO NUL	Runway Surface Type:	Gravel
Airport Elevation:	310 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Snow
Runway Used:	2	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	3000 ft / 80 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Full stop

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	2 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	64.720397,-158.109085(est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Michelangelo, James

Additional Participating Persons:

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Investigation Class: [Class](#)

Note:

Investigation Docket: <https://data.nts.gov/Docket?ProjectID=4472>

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