

National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Final Report

Location: LARAMIE, WY Accident Number: DEN86FA137

Date & Time: 05/16/1986, 1042 MDT Registration: N6728J

Aircraft: BEECH BE-99C Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: Injuries: 9 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 135: Air Taxi & Commuter - Scheduled

Analysis

THIS PART 135 IFR FLT WAS INBOUND FOR LANDING AT LARAMIE, WYOMING. DURING THE EN ROUTE AND APPROACH FOR LDG PORTIONS OF THE FLT THE ACFT PICKED UP A MODERATE TO HEAVY LOAD OF ICE. DURING THE LANDING FLARE THE ACFT STALLED, HIT THE RWY, BOUNCED, VEERED OFF THE RWY, AND STRUCK A VASI LIGHTING SYSTEM. THE LEFT LDG GEAR COLLAPSED AND THE ACFT SKIDDED TO A STOP.

Probable Cause and Findings

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

Findings

Occurrence #1: IN FLIGHT ENCOUNTER WITH WEATHER

Phase of Operation: CLIMB - TO CRUISE

Findings

1. (C) WEATHER CONDITION - ICING CONDITIONS

2. (F) WEATHER CONDITION - SNOW

Occurrence #2: LOSS OF CONTROL - IN FLIGHT Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings

3. (C) AIRSPEED - UNCONTROLLED - PILOT IN COMMAND

4. (C) STALL - INADVERTENT - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #3: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

5. OBJECT - APPROACH LIGHT/NAVAID

Occurrence #4: MAIN GEAR COLLAPSED Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

6. LANDING GEAR, MAIN GEAR - OVERLOAD

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Factual Information

Pilot Information

| Certificate: | Airline Transport; Flight Instructor | Age: | 31, Male |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Airplane Rating(s): | Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land | Seat Occupied: | Left |
| Other Aircraft Rating(s): | None | Restraint Used: | Seatbelt, Shoulder harness |
| Instrument Rating(s): | Airplane | Second Pilot Present: | Yes |
| Instructor Rating(s): | Airplane Single-engine | Toxicology Performed: | No |
| Medical Certification: | Class 1 Valid Medicalw/waivers/lim. | Last FAA Medical Exam: | 04/25/1986 |
| Occupational Pilot: | | Last Flight Review or Equivalent: | |
| Flight Time: | 2530 hours (Total, all aircraft), 1809 hours (Total, this make and model), 1350 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 284 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 8 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft) | | |

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

| Aircraft Make: | BEECH | Registration: | N6728J |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Model/Series: | BE-99C BE-99C | Aircraft Category: | Airplane |
| Year of Manufacture: | | Amateur Built: | No |
| Airworthiness Certificate: | Normal | Serial Number: | U-217 |
| Landing Gear Type: | Retractable - Tricycle | Seats: | 16 |
| Date/Type of Last Inspection: | 05/10/1986, AAIP | Certified Max Gross Wt.: | 10294 lbs |
| Time Since Last Inspection: | 41 Hours | Engines: | 2 Turbo Prop |
| Airframe Total Time: | 5008 Hours | Engine Manufacturer: | P&W |
| ELT: | Installed, not activated | Engine Model/Series: | PT6A-36 |
| Registered Owner: | BEECHCRAFT ACCEPT. CORP. INC. | Rated Power: | 680 hp |
| Operator: | CENTENNIAL AIRLINES, INC | Operating Certificate(s) Held: | Commuter Air Carrier (135) |
| Operator Does Business As: | | Operator Designator Code: | CNAL |

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

| Conditions at Accident Site: | Instrument Conditions | Condition of Light: | Day |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Observation Facility, Elevation: | LAR, 7278 ft msl | Distance from Accident Site: | 75 Nautical Miles |
| Observation Time: | 1050 MDT | Direction from Accident Site: | 185° |
| Lowest Cloud Condition: | Partial Obscuration / 0 ft agl | Visibility | 5 Miles |
| Lowest Ceiling: | Obscured / 400 ft agl | Visibility (RVR): | 0 ft |
| Wind Speed/Gusts: | 10 knots / | Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual: | / |
| Wind Direction: | 40° | Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual: | / |
| Altimeter Setting: | 30 inches Hg | Temperature/Dew Point: | 1°C / 1°C |
| Precipitation and Obscuration: | | | |
| Departure Point: | DENVER, CO (DEN) | Type of Flight Plan Filed: | IFR |
| Destination: | LARAMIE, WY (LAR) | Type of Clearance: | IFR |
| Departure Time: | 1017 MDT | Type of Airspace: | Airport Advisory Area; Class D |
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Airport Information

| Airport: | GENERAL BREES FIELD ARPT (LAR) | Runway Surface Type: | Asphalt |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---------|
| Airport Elevation: | 7278 ft | Runway Surface Condition: | Wet |
| Runway Used: | 30 | IFR Approach: | VOR/DME |
| Runway Length/Width: | 6300 ft / 100 ft | VFR Approach/Landing: | None |

Wreckage and Impact Information

| Crew Injuries: | 2 None | Aircraft Damage: | Substantial |
|---------------------|--------|----------------------|-------------|
| Passenger Injuries: | 7 None | Aircraft Fire: | None |
| Ground Injuries: | N/A | Aircraft Explosion: | None |
| Total Injuries: | 9 None | Latitude, Longitude: | |

Administrative Information

| Investigator In Charge (IIC): | VERLIN B TRANTER | Report Date: |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Additional Participating Persons: | FRED MAUPIN; AURORA, CO GEORGE GIBERSON; AURORA, CO | |
| Publish Date: | | |
| Investigation Docket: | investigations. Dockets released prior to June | permanent archival information for the NTSB's e 1, 2009 are publicly available from the NTSB's gov, or at 800-877-6799. Dockets released after v/pubdms/. |

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