



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Data Summary

Location:	BELOIT, KS	Accident Number:	CHI00FA234
Date & Time:	08/02/2000, 0932 CDT	Registration:	N2732Q
Aircraft:	Piper PA-28R-201	Injuries:	1 Fatal
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

Analysis

A witness traveling south on Kansas State Highway 14 from Beloit, Kansas, said he saw the airplane "flying very low, north of the highway, like the pilot was trying to land. The plane then rose rapidly when it got close to the highway, as if to rise above the power lines. The plane made an abrupt dive and crashed into a field at a sharp angle." Airplane records showed the pilot's last flight in the airplane was on May 1, 1999. Federal Aviation Administration medical records indicated the pilot's last medical certificate was issued on August 31, 1994. An examination of the airplane revealed no anomalies.

Probable Cause

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: the inadvertent stall. Factors relating to the accident were the pilot's low altitude, his abrupt pull up, the power lines, and his lack of recent flying experience.

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - IN FLIGHT
Phase of Operation: MANEUVERING

Findings

1. (C) STALL - INADVERTENT - PILOT IN COMMAND
2. (F) LACK OF RECENT EXPERIENCE - PILOT IN COMMAND
3. (F) ALTITUDE - LOW - PILOT IN COMMAND
4. LACK OF CERTIFICATION - PILOT IN COMMAND
5. (F) OBJECT - WIRE, TRANSMISSION
6. (F) PULL-UP - ABRUPT - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH TERRAIN/WATER
Phase of Operation: DESCENT - UNCONTROLLED

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	42
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine Land	Instrument Rating(s):	None
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Instructor Rating(s):	None
Flight Time:	450 hours (Total, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Piper	Registration:	N2732Q
Model/Series:	PA-28R-201 PA-28R-201	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Operator:	MORITZ IMPLEMENT CO, INC.	Engine Manufacturer:	Lycoming
Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None	Engine Model/Series:	IO-360-C1C6
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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	SLN, 1272 ft msl	Weather Information Source:	Weather Observation Facility
Lowest Ceiling:	None / 0 ft agl	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	8 knots / , 210°
Temperature:	79° C	Visibility	10 Miles
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	(K61)	Destination:	

Airport Information

Airport:	BELOIT AIRPORT (K61)	Runway Surface Type:	
Runway Used:	0	Runway Surface Condition:	
Runway Length/Width:			

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Fatal	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Passenger Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Latitude, Longitude:			

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): DAVID C BOWLING Adopted Date: 09/19/2001

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