
 National Transportation Safety Board PRELIMINARY REPORT AVIATION		NTSB ID: DCA09MA027		Most Critical Injury: Fatal		
		Occurrence Date: 02/12/2009		Investigated By: NTSB		
		Occurrence Type: Accident				
Location/Time						
Nearest City/Place		State	Zip Code	Local Time	Time Zone	
Clarence Center		NY	14032	2017	EST	
Aircraft Information						
Registration Number		Aircraft Manufacturer		Model/Series Number		
N200WQ		BOMBARDIER INC		DHC-8-402		
Type of Aircraft:			Amateur Built Aircraft?			
Injury Summary:		Fatal	50	Serious	Minor	None
Revenue Sightseeing Flight: No			Air Medical Transport Flight: No			
Narrative						
<p>Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:</p> <p>On February 12, 2009, about 2217 eastern standard time (EST), a Colgan Air Inc., Bombardier Dash 8-Q400, N200WQ, d.b.a. Continental Connection flight 3407, crashed during an instrument approach to runway 23 at the Buffalo-Niagara International Airport (BUF), Buffalo, New York. The crash site was approximately 5 nautical miles northeast of the airport in Clarence Center, New York, and mostly confined to one residential house. The four flight crew and 45 passengers were fatally injured and the aircraft was destroyed by impact forces and post crash fire. There was one ground fatality. Night visual meteorological conditions prevailed at the time of the accident. The flight was a Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 121 scheduled passenger flight from Liberty International Airport (EWR), Newark, New Jersey to BUF.</p> <p>Updated on May 6 2009 8:15AM</p>						
PRELIMINARY INFORMATION - SUBJECT TO CHANGE						

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Other Aircraft Involved		
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Accident Information	
Aircraft Damage: Destroyed	Accident Occurred During:


Crew	Name	Certificate No.	Injury
Pilot			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			

Operator Information			
Name COLGAN AIR INC	Operator Designator Code NSVA	Doing Business As	
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code

-Type of Certificate(s) Held:	
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s): Flag Carrier/Domestic	
Operating Certificate:	Operator Certificate:
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 121: Air Carrier	
Type of Flight Operations Conducted: Scheduled; Domestic; Passenger Only	

Flight Plan/Itinerary			
Type of Flight Plan Filed: Unknown			
Last Departure Point	State	Airport Identifier	
Destination	State	Airport Identifier	

Weather Information			
Investigator's Source:	Facility ID:	Observation Time (Local):	
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition:		Ft. AGL	
Lowest Ceiling:	Ft. AGL	Visibility:	SM Altimeter: "Hg

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Temperature: °C	Dew Point: °C	Wind Direction:	
Wind Speed: Kts.	Gusts: Kts.	Weather Conditions at Accident Site:	

Administration Data

Notification From FAA	Date
FAA District Office/Coordinator	Investigator-In-Charge (IIC) Effie Lorenda Ward