

Brief of Accident (Continued)

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File No. 16306 07/04/2002 San Dimas, CA Aircraft Reg No. N8145M Time (Local): 12:30 PDT

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF ENGINE POWER
Phase of Operation: TAKEOFF - INITIAL CLIMB

Findings

1. 1 ENGINE
 2. (C) REASON FOR OCCURRENCE UNDETERMINED
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Occurrence #2: FORCED LANDING
Phase of Operation: EMERGENCY LANDING AFTER TAKEOFF

Occurrence #3: LOSS OF CONTROL - IN FLIGHT
Phase of Operation: EMERGENCY LANDING AFTER TAKEOFF

Findings

3. (C) AIRCRAFT CONTROL - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND
 4. (F) GEAR RETRACTION - NOT PERFORMED - PILOT IN COMMAND
 5. (F) PROPELLER FEATHERING - NOT PERFORMED - PILOT IN COMMAND
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Occurrence #4: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH OBJECT
Phase of Operation: DESCENT - UNCONTROLLED

Findings

6. OBJECT - TREE(S)

Findings Legend: (C) = Cause, (F) = Factor

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident as follows.
the pilot's failure to maintain control of the airplane following a loss of power in one engine during takeoff. The reason for the loss of power in the left engine could not be determined. Contributing factors to the accident were the pilot's failure to retract the landing gear and to feather the inoperative engine propeller.