

CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINES
Aircraft Accident Investigation and Inquiry Board
Aircraft Accident Report

BASIC INFORMATION

Aircraft Registration No. : RP-R5878

Aircraft Type/Model : Agcat

Owner Operator : Aerowurks Aerial Spraying Services

Address of Operator : Sasa, Davao Del Norte

Place of Accident : Barrio #5, Bunga Surallah, South Cotabato

Date/Time of Accident : May 05, 2010/0810H

Type of Operation : Banner Towing

Phase of Operation : Take Off

Type of Accident : Crash Landing

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On May 05, 2010, RP-R5878 a G-164A Grumman Agcat type of aircraft took off at valley airstrip. In command of the aircraft was a Commercial Pilot License Holder for a Banner towing operation. On board with him was also a company pilot acting as look out. During take off roll and directly upon airborne the pilot made a sharp left turn. At about 50 feet the banner was hit by the prop wash and caught a tree near the perimeter fence. As a result the aircraft swerved uncontrollably to the left, crashed and burned upon impact. Both pilots escaped with minor injuries.

PROBABLE CAUSE

The Aircraft Accident Investigation and Inquiry Board determined that the probable cause of this accident was the pilots have no training on banner towing.

SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

As a result of this investigation, the Aircraft Accident Investigation and Inquiry Board made the following safety recommendations:

- That the pilot should be given training on banner towing operations.
- That the pilot should undergo medical examination and CAAP proficiency check ride before he can be released for flight duties.