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

BASIC INFORMATION

Aircraft Registration No. : RP-C8690

Make and Model : PA-34-200 Piper Seneca Owner : Arturo Peralada, Jr. Operator : Flightline Aviation

Address of Operator : Plaridel, Airport, Plaridel Bulacan Date / Time of Incident : November 9, 2009/02:45UTC

Type of Operation : Flight Training

Phase of Operation : Landing

Type of Occurrence : Nose wheel collapse Place of Incident : Tuguegarao, Cagayan

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At around 10:35am of November 9, 2009, a PA 34-200 Piper Senenca type of aircraft with Registration No. RP-C8690, owned by Capt. Arturo Perlada and operated by Flightline Aviation School took-off at Plaridel Airport bound for Tuguegarao Airport. In command of the aircraft was Capt. Rommel Santero with two (2) passengers; among is Capt. Nomer Lazaro from the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines as Check Pilot representative to conduct his proficiency check. In preparation for landing while in finals, executing the landing procedure utilizing runway 35 for landing the said aircraft landed normally. A few second after, the nose wheel collapsed, the aircraft skidded and swerved to the left side.

PROBABLE CAUSE

The probable cause of the accident was due to material failure on the drag link bushing bolt which caused the nose wheel to collapse.

SAFETY RECOMMENDATION

In spite of the compliance to the Service Bulletin added as safety precaution. It is hereby recommended that immediate maintenance action and inspection to the nose landing gear systems be made in accordance with the aircraft service manual and shall thoroughly comply with Mandatory Service Bulletin No. 1123B dated April 20, 2006 to determine the service wear limits of the upper bushing bolt to avoid similar incidents.

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