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Short Investigation Bulletin

DATE: 4th May 2022

REPORT #OCC-2022/0009

AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION: N62670

INVESTIGATION STATUS: Closed

Summary

Occurrence Bulletins are concise reports that detail the facts surrounding an aviation occurrence, as received in the initial notification and any follow-up enquiries. They provide an opportunity to share safety messages in the absence of a full investigation.

Released as required, the Bulletin provides a summary of the less-complex factual investigation reports conducted by the AAIA. The results, based on information supplied by organizations or individuals involved in the occurrence, detail the facts behind the event, as well as any safety actions undertaken. When applicable, the Bulletin also highlights important Safety Messages for the broader aviation community, drawing on earlier AAIA investigations and research.

General Details

Date and Time of Occurrence:	20 th February, 2022; 2:35 PM EST (1935 UTC)			
Location	Treasure Cay Abaco, Bahamas			
Persons on Board	Crew	1	Passengers	1
Injuries:	Crew	1	Passengers	1
Commanders License:	Private Pilot			
Occurrence category:	System Component Failure (Powerplant)			
Occurrence type:	Accident			
Investigation status:	Closed			

Aircraft Details

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Piper PA 23-250, N62670
Year of Manufacture & Serial #:	1976/ 27-7654132
Number and Type of Engine(s)	Two/ Reciprocating
Type of operation:	Private
Information Source:	Notification
Nature of Damage:	Destroyed

Occurrence Summary

On 20th February 2022 at 2:35 PM EST (1935 UTC), a Piper Aztec PA-23-250 with United States registration N62670 was involved in an occurrence at the Treasure Cay International Airport (MYAT), Treasure Cay, Abaco, Bahamas. There were two (2) souls on board.

The pilot in command of the aircraft reported that shortly after takeoff from runway 14 at MYAT, thru climb out while under 1,000 ft. AGL, he heard an abnormal sound from the left engine. He also observed an over speed indication on the tachometer, and soon after, there was a loss of power from the left engine.

The pilot then attempted to return to the airfield but was unsuccessful and the aircraft subsequently crashed into bushes approximately 1 NM from MYAT.

The two (2) souls on board received minor injuries and were transported to the local clinic to receive medical attention. The aircraft was destroyed by post-crash fire.

A limited scope investigation was conducted, no safety message(s) or recommendation(s) were issued.

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