

# **AVIATION OCCURRENCE BULLETIN**

DATE: 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2020 REPORT # AO-20-000006 AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION: N798JS INVESTIGATION STATUS: COMPLETED

#### 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.

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### **GENERAL DETAILS**

Date and Time of Occurrence:	2 <sup>nd</sup> February, 2020, 11:00 AM			
Location	Governor's Harbour Airport, Eleuthera, Bahamas			
Persons on Board	Crew	2	Passengers	2
Injuries:	Crew	none	Passengers	none
Commanders License:	Airline Transport Pilot			
Occurrence category:	Serious Incident			
Occurrence type:	Fire/Smoke			
Investigation status:	Final Report Complete			

#### **AIRCRAFT DETAILS**

Aircraft details				
Aircraft Type and Registration:	Cessna 560, N798JS			
Year of Manufacture & Serial #:	2008; 500-0796			
Number and Type of Engine(s)	Two (2), Pratt & Whitney			
Type of operation:	On Demand Charter			
Information Source:	AAID Field Investigation			
Nature of Damage:	Fire/heat damage to both main gear tires, right main			

## **Occurrence Summary:**

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020 at approximately 11:00 AM, a Cessna 560 aircraft, US registration N798JS aborted a takeoff at the Governor's Harbour Airport (MYEM), Eleuthera, Bahamas . The two (2) crew members and two (2) passengers were enroute to Tampa International Airport (KTPA).

According to the pilot-in-command, after discussing the flight plan with the first officer and going through the necessary checklists, he positioned the aircraft on runway 33 for a departure to the northwest. After applying takeoff power and prior to approaching V1 speed, the pilot noticed that the aircraft was not performing adequately as the speed was not increasing sufficiently. The aircraft also did not respond when back pressure was applied to the yoke.

Subsequently, the first officer called out to abort the takeoff and the captain then pulled the power levers to idle, extended reverse thrusters and applied brakes. After the aircraft came to stop, pilot made a 180 turn on the runway to return to the ramp area and it was during this time that the first officer reported seeing smoke coming from the right side of the aircraft.

The Captain then called for the evacuation of passengers by the first officer while he shut the engine down. The Eleuthera Airport Fire Rescue services responded and upon arrival met the right main landing gear tire on fire. The fire was suppressed and there were no reported injuries. The aircraft received fire related damages to the right main gear assembly, right main gear door, and underside of the right wing.

At the time of the occurrence, the weather was visual meteorological conditions and not a factor in this accident. A limited scope investigation was conducted, no safety message or recommendations were issued.



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