



Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location:	Livermore, CA	Accident Number:	WPR23LA077
Date & Time:	December 24, 2022, 16:53 Local	Registration:	N65Y
Aircraft:	Beech V35B	Injuries:	1 Serious
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Personal		

On December 24, 2022, about 1653 Pacific standard time, a Beech V35B, N65Y, was substantially damaged when it was involved in an accident at the Livermore Municipal Airport, Livermore, California. The pilot was seriously injured. The airplane was operated as a Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 personal flight.

The pilot reported that he departed runway 7L with the intention of remaining within the airport traffic pattern. During takeoff initial climb, the door opened. He then slowed the airplane and recalled hearing the tower controller say, "climb climb climb." The pilot realized the airplane was descending and he "pushed the throttle in" with no response from the engine. The airplane continued to descend and impacted a building about 2,800 ft beyond the departure end of runway 7L.

Postaccident examination of the airplane by a Federal Aviation Administration inspector revealed that the fuselage was substantially damaged. The wreckage was recovered to a secure location for further examination.

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Beech	Registration:	N65Y
Model/Series:	V35B	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	On file	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Designator Code:			

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	VMC	Condition of Light:	Dusk
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KLVK,393 ft msl	Observation Time:	00:53 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	1 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	12°C /7°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	8 knots / , 80°
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility:	10 miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.34 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Departure Point:	Livermore , CA	Destination:	Livermore , CA

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Serious	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 Serious	Latitude, Longitude:	37.695076,-121.80188 (est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Cawthra, Joshua
Additional Participating Persons:	Amanda Bailey; Federal Aviation Administration; Oakland, CA
Investigation Class:	Class 3
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.