

AIB Bulletin

AIB Bulletin No. 4 Ref.: CAV/ACC/4/04 Category 1.2 Aircraft Type & Reg.: Cessna 208 Reg. 5H-MUA Serial No.0487

No. & type of Engines: One Pratt & Whitney PT6A-114A

Year of Manufacture: 1995

Date and Time (UTC): 17 March 2004 at 0615 hours.

Location: Mto wa Mbu Near Lake Mannyara (Lat.0322**S**

Long.03549**E**)

Type of Flight: Air Charter

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 8 Injuries: Crew - Minor Passengers - 5 Serious

Nature of Damage: The aircraft was extensively damaged. Probable write

off.

Commander's Licence: ATPL
Commander's Age: 48 years
Commander's Experience: 14000 hours

Last 90 days: Last 28 days:

Information Source: Telephone call from Arusha ATS.

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History of the Flight

The aircraft was operating a scheduled flight starting from its base at Arusha. It was to call at Lake Mannyara, Klein's Camp, Grumet and Seronera before returning to Arusha via Lake Manyara.

5H-MUA took off from Arusha at 0530 hours. It was carrying one pilot and 3 passengers. The VFR flight to Lake Manyara was uneventful and the aircraft landed at Lake Manyara at 0555 hours.

Five more passengers joined the flight here and 5H-MUA subsequently took off for Klein's Camp at 0615 hours. The pilot said that the take off roll was normal and shortly after he was airborne he initiated a left turn heading 025 deg M to climb over the Rift Valley for destination Clain's Camp. As he rolled off the turn, there was