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**Cessna Aircraft Company Titan** 

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Occurrence Number: 199301878 Occurrence Type: Incident

**Location:** Essendon

State: VIC Inv Category: 4

**Date:** Monday 21 June 1993

**Time:** 2030 hours **Time Zone** EST

Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company

Aircraft Model: 404

Aircraft Registration: VH-WZL Serial Number: 404-0834

**Type of Operation:** Commercial Other

**Damage to Aircraft:** Nil

Departure Point:Essendon VICDeparture Time:2027 ESTDestination:Stawell VIC

Approved for Release: Tuesday, April 5, 1994

At 800 ft after takeoff the left engine suffered a complete power failure. After securing the engine the pilot carried out a successful asymmetric landing.

The engine was disassembled and the rear main bearing was found to have rotated in the case. This caused a loss of oil flow with subsequent overheating and metal contamination of the engine. The camshaft seized and failed causing loss of drive to the accessory drive train and total loss of power.

The cause of the rear main bearing failure was not found.