

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
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Cessna A188-A1

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1. The pilot perceived that he was under pressure regarding the chemical ratio and the instruction not to spray the seed lucerne.
2. The pilot did not conduct an aerial inspection of the clean-up area prior to the run as specified in the Company Operations Manual.
3. During the clean-up run, the pilot's attention was channelised towards keeping spray off the seed lucerne.
4. The pilot did not see or avoid the wire.

Reccomendations:

That the Civil Aviation Authority continue to publish periodic warnings on, the dangers powerlines pose to agricultural flying, and the importance of thorough aerial inspections before the clean-up run.