

Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199000108

Cessna A188B-A1

14 December 1990

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This accident was not formally investigated by the Bureau.

Occurrence Number: 199000108 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: 10 km West of Pemberton WA
Date: 14 December 1990 **Time:** 1500
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	1

Aircraft Details: Cessna A188B-A1
Registration: VH-SUA
Serial Number: 18802973T
Operation Type: Aerial Work
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Pemberton WA
Departure Time: N/A
Destination: Pemberton WA

Approved for Release: 10th April 1991

Circumstances:

The pilot reported that he was aware of the location of the three-cable powerline during his spray runs. He had completed three runs under the line and was conducting a clean up run at the opposite end of the paddock when he collided with the wires during a pullup. The wire deflector snapped and the top of the vertical stabilizer and rudder were torn off. The pilot was able to land the aircraft safely. He indicated that he had forgotten about the location of the line when he moved to the other end of the paddock and it was no longer necessary to fly under them.