

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199704062**

**Saab Aircraft AB
340**

05 December 1997

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Occurrence Number: 199704062 **Occurrence Type:** Incident
Location: Point Lookout, VOR
State: NSW **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Friday 05 December 1997
Time: 2030 hours **Time Zone:** EST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Saab Aircraft AB
Aircraft Model: SF-340B
Aircraft Registration: VH-LIH **Serial Number:** 316
Type of Operation: Air Transport Domestic Low Capacity Passenger Scheduled
Damage to Aircraft: Nil
Departure Point: Sydney NSW
Departure Time:
Destination: Lismore NSW

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The pilot reported that during a flight from Sydney to Lismore the right engine suffered two "rollbacks". Rollback is a phenomenon in which aircraft engines lose power. On the subsequent flight to from Lismore to Sydney the right engine suffered one "rollback". The problem is a known fault and can be caused by icing at the inlet cowl area.

