Aviation Safety Investigation Report 199501952

Cessna Aircraft Company 402B

26 June 1995

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Occurrence Number:	199501952	Occurrence Typ	e: Accident		
Location:	Parafield, Aerodrom	ie			
State:	SA	Inv Category:	4		
Date:	Monday 26 June 19	95			
Time:	1115 hours	Time Zone	CST		
Highest Injury Level: None					
Aircraft Manufacture Aircraft Model: Aircraft Registration: Type of Operation: Damage to Aircraft: Departure Point: Departure Time: Destination:	402B	Serial Nun	n ber: 402B1328		

Crew Details:

	Hours on		
Role	Class of Licence	Type Hours Total	
Pilot-In-Command	Commercial	9900.0	15800

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The pilot had been instructed by air traffic control (ATC) to make a straight in approach for landing on runway 03. The aircraft joined the circuit on long final as ATC cleared another aircraft for departure from that runway.

While carrying out his pre-landing checks the pilot became concerned that the other aircraft's pilot was being too slow commencing her take-off run, and was still lined up at the runway threshold when the aircraft arrived on short final. ATC instructed that pilot not to delay.

Just as the pilot was preparing to carry out a go-around the other aircraft commenced to take-off, so he continued his approach. During this time he had become so engrossed with the other aircraft, and planning alternate action, that he failed to complete his pre-landing checks and forgot to lower the landing gear. The aircraft landed wheels up on the runway.