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Cessna Aircraft Company 310R

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Occurrence Number: 199403266 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Griffith

State: NSW Inv Category: 4

Date: Tuesday 08 November 1994

Time: 0912 hours **Time Zone** ESuT

Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company

Aircraft Model: 310R

Aircraft Registration: VH-FIN Serial Number: 310R0903

Type of Operation: Charter Cargo

Damage to Aircraft: Substantial

Departure Point: West Wyalong NSW

Departure Time:

Destination: Griffith NSW

Crew Details:

	Hours on		
Role	Class of Licence	Type Hours Total	
Pilot-In-Command	Commercial	110.0	1050

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A landing approach was made for runway 24 with the gear selected down and the cockpit gear lights indicating green. As the aircraft slowed on the landing roll the left main gear green light went out and the gear unsafe light came on. The aircraft was gently slowed and a left turn started when the left main gear leg collapsed.

Inspection of the main gear leg showed that the pin securing the top of the leg to the wing structure, had seized and then sheared. The pin then moved forward and allowed the top of the leg to detach from the wing support structure, and collapse.

Significant Factor

The following factor was considered relevant to the development of the accident:

1. The pin securing the top of the left main landing gear leg to the supporting structure seized and fractured. (The reason for the seizure was not determined.)