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Ruther Glen ,VA

Aircraft Reg No. N3016Z

Time (Local): 19:40 EDT

It is likely that the pilot identified the power lines late in the approach and ignited the burner to climb but that insufficient time remained to clear the power lines.

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OCCURRENCES

Approach - Controlled flight into terr/obj (CFIT)
Approach - Attempted remediation/recovery

FINDINGS

Aircraft-Aircraft oper/perf/capability-Performance/control parameters-Descent/approach/glide path-Not attained/maintained - C
Aircraft-Aircraft oper/perf/capability-Performance/control parameters-Altitude-Not attained/maintained - C
Personnel issues-Psychological-Attention/monitoring-Monitoring environment-Pilot - C
Personnel issues-Action/decision-Info processing/decision-Identification/recognition-Pilot - C
Environmental issues-Physical environment-Object/animal/substance-Wire-Awareness of condition - C

Findings Legend: (C) = Cause, (F) = Factor

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident as follows:
The pilot's inadequate approach and his failure to maintain clearance from power lines, which resulted in a subsequent fire.