

**No: 8/85**

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**Aircraft type and registration:** Gulfstream American G164 G-DCAT (light single engined bi-plane)

**Year of Manufacture:** 1980

**Date and time (GMT):** 3 July 1985 at 0800 hrs

**Location:** Near Criddline, Pontefract, Yorks

**Type of flight:** Aerial application

**Persons on board:** Crew — 1                      Passengers — None

**Injuries:** Crew — None                      Passengers — None

**Nature of damage:** Substantial

**Commander's Licence:** Commercial Pilot's Licence (FAA)

**Commander's Age:** 33 years

**Commander's Total Flying Experience:** 4301 hours (of which 1050 were on type)

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot.

The pilot was briefed to spray a field of peas and during his observation circuit he noted two sets of power cables lying across the far end. On his initial run he flew beneath the first set of wires as intended but in attempting to fly over the second set struck and severed them. The aircraft flicked over and came to rest the right way up in the next field. The cockpit suffered only minor damage and the pilot was able to disembark normally.