

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
 MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE  
 GULF OF MEXICO REGION  
**ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION REPORT**

1. OCCURRED

DATE: **11-NOV-2006** TIME: **1500** HOURS

2. OPERATOR:

**Offshore Energy I LLC**

REPRESENTATIVE: **Beatrice A. Stong**

TELEPHONE: **(713) 624-7338**

CONTRACTOR:

REPRESENTATIVE:

TELEPHONE:

3. OPERATOR/CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE/SUPERVISOR  
 ON SITE AT TIME OF INCIDENT:

4. LEASE:

**G10721**

AREA: **EI** LATITUDE:

BLOCK: **88** LONGITUDE:

5. PLATFORM:

**A**

RIG NAME:

6. ACTIVITY:

EXPLORATION(POE)  
 DEVELOPMENT/PRODUCTION  
 (DOCD/POD)

7. TYPE:

- HISTORIC INJURY
- REQUIRED EVACUATION
  - LTA (1-3 days)
  - LTA (>3 days)
  - RW/JT (1-3 days)
  - RW/JT (>3 days)
  - Other Injury

- FATALITY
- POLLUTION
- FIRE
- EXPLOSION

- LWC  HISTORIC BLOWOUT
- UNDERGROUND
  - SURFACE
  - DEVERTER
  - SURFACE EQUIPMENT FAILURE OR PROCEDURES

COLLISION  HISTORIC  >\$25K  <=\$25K

- STRUCTURAL DAMAGE
- CRANE
- OTHER LIFTING DEVICE
- DAMAGED/DISABLED SAFETY SYS.
- INCIDENT >\$25K **Foghorn, safety**
- H2S/15MIN./20PPM **panel,boat lnd**
- REQUIRED MUSTER
- SHUTDOWN FROM GAS RELEASE
- OTHER **Hydr oil leak f/safety panel**

6. OPERATION:

- PRODUCTION
- DRILLING
- WORKOVER
- COMPLETION
- HELICOPTER
- MOTOR VESSEL
- PIPELINE SEGMENT NO.
- OTHER **Unmanned platform**

8. CAUSE:

- EQUIPMENT FAILURE
- HUMAN ERROR
- EXTERNAL DAMAGE
- SLIP/TRIP/FALL
- WEATHER RELATED
- LEAK
- UPSET H2O TREATING
- OVERBOARD DRILLING FLUID
- OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

9. WATER DEPTH: **30** FT.

10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: **24** MI.

11. WIND DIRECTION:  
 SPEED: M.P.H.

12. CURRENT DIRECTION:  
 SPEED: M.P.H.

13. SEA STATE: FT.

17. DESCRIBE IN SEQUENCE HOW ACCIDENT HAPPENED:

The M/V Candy Dancer collided with a dual satellite structure A-1 and A-2 in Offshore Energy's EI 88 block. EI 88 Caisson #1 and Caisson #2 sustained substantial damage when the M/V Candy Dancer collided with the structure on November 11, 2006. Operators arrived at the facility at approximately 1430 hours on November 12, 2006 and found the foghorn and safety panel were ripped away from the structure and the boat landing was severely damaged. The well had shut-in and there was a small amount of hydraulic oil that leaked into the gulf from the safety panel. The leak was reported to the NRC immediately. NRC Incident Report No. 818016 is attached.

18. LIST THE PROBABLE CAUSE(S) OF ACCIDENT:

The probable cause of this incident is that the M/V crew failed to maintain control of the vessel to prevent striking the satellite.

19. LIST THE CONTRIBUTING CAUSE(S) OF ACCIDENT:

It is undetermined whether or not weather may have been a factor and it is undetermined whether or not the nav-aid lights and foghorn were operating properly.

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

**Well Caissons A-1 & A-2  
Foghorn  
Safety panel  
Boat landing**

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

**Bent caissons  
Foghorn ripped away  
Safety panel ripped away  
Boat landing severely damaged**

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL): **\$25,000**

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRENCE NARRATIVE:

**Based on documents submitted by W&T, a determination is made that the Nav-Aid light and fog horn were serviced and determined to be operational on November 10, 2006. Based on the November 10, 2006 servicing of the Nav-Aid light and fog horn, MMS makes no recommendations to Offshore Energy Inc. Also, the Lafayette District makes no recommendations to the Office of Safety Management.**

23. POSSIBLE OCS VIOLATIONS RELATED TO ACCIDENT: **NO**

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

**None**

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION:

**13-NOV-2006**

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS:

**Wade Guillotte /**

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

PANEL FORMED: **NO**

OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:

**Elliott S. Smith**

APPROVED

DATE: **16-JAN-2007**

# COLLISION ATTACHMENT

1. STRUCTURE MANNED: **NO**
2. OPERATING NAVIGATIONAL AIDS: **YES**
3. FAIRWAY LOCATION CONTRIBUTING FACTOR: **NO**
4. NAME OF VESSEL: **Candy Dancer**
5. OWNER OF VESSEL: **Candy**
6. TYPE OF VESSEL: **Work Boat**
7. MASTER OF VESSEL: **Unknown**
8. PILOT OF VESSEL: **Unknown**
9. ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF DAMAGE TO VESSEL:

# POLLUTION ATTACHMENT

1. VOLUME: .5 GAL BBL  
33 YARDS LONG X 17 YARDS WIDE

APPEARANCE: **BARELY VISIBLE**

2. TYPE OF HYDROCARBON RELEASED:  OIL  
 DIESEL  
 CONDENSATE  
 HYDRAULIC  
 NATURAL GAS  
 OTHER Hydraulic oil from well panel

3. SOURCE OF HYDROCARBON RELEASED: **Hydraulic well panel**

4. WERE SAMPLES TAKEN? **NO**

5. WAS CLEANUP EQUIPMENT ACTIVATED? **NO**

IF SO, TYPE:  SKIMMER  
 CONTAINMENT BOOM  
 ABSORPTION EQUIPMENT  
 DISPERSANTS  
 OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

6. ESTIMATED RECOVERY: 0 GAL BBL

7. RESPONSE TIME: HOURS

8. IS THE POLLUTION IN THE PROXIMITY OF AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREA (CLASS I)? **NO**

9. HAS REGION OIL SPILL TASK FORCE BEEN NOTIFIED? **NO**

10. CONTACTED SHORE: **NO** IF YES, WHERE:

11. WERE ANY LIVE ANIMALS OBSERVED NEAR: **NO**

12. WERE ANY OILED OR DEAD ANIMALS OBSERVED NEAR SPILL: **NO**