

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT  
GULF OF MEXICO REGION

ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION REPORT

For Public Release

1. OCCURRED

DATE: 21-OCT-2017 TIME: 1415 HOURS

2. OPERATOR: Fieldwood Energy LLC

REPRESENTATIVE:  
TELEPHONE:

CONTRACTOR:  
REPRESENTATIVE:  
TELEPHONE:

- STRUCTURAL DAMAGE
- CRANE
- OTHER LIFTING
- DAMAGED/DISABLED SAFETY SYS.
- INCIDENT >\$25K
- H2S/15MIN./20PPM
- REQUIRED MUSTER
- SHUTDOWN FROM GAS RELEASE
- OTHER

3. OPERATOR/CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE/SUPERVISOR ON SITE AT TIME OF INCIDENT: 8. OPERATION:

4. LEASE: 00050

AREA: EI LATITUDE:  
BLOCK: 120 LONGITUDE:

5. PLATFORM: CMP1  
RIG NAME:

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

6. ACTIVITY:  EXPLORATION(POE)  
 DEVELOPMENT/PRODUCTION  
(DOCD/POD)

7. TYPE:

- HISTORIC INJURY
- REQUIRED EVACUATION 1
- LTA (1-3 days)
- LTA (>3 days) 1
- 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

9. CAUSE:

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

- 10. WATER DEPTH: 37 FT.
- 11. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 21 MI.
- 12. WIND DIRECTION:  
SPEED: M.P.H.
- 13. CURRENT DIRECTION:  
SPEED: M.P.H.
- 14. SEA STATE: FT.
- 15. PICTURES TAKEN:
- 16. STATEMENT TAKEN:

17. INVESTIGATION FINDINGS:

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On October 21, 2017 at approximately 1415 hours, an employee sustained injuries including a broken left ankle while working on the platform's South boat landing. The employee was struck by a broken handrail while attempting to connect a potable water line.

An Island "C" Operator and Shamrock "C" Operator were in the process of connecting a hose from the boat to a water line on the platform located on the south boat landing to take on potable water. The boat was tied to a bit on the back side of the boat landing, which put the boat tie off rope lying across the entire deck of the boat landing.

While hooking up the hose, the employee's backs were facing the boat. The boat began to drift north with the current dragging the rope across the boat landing. The rope came in contact with a handrail located on the boat landing. As the boat continued to drift north, the stress from the rope snapped the handrail at the bottom welds and struck the Shamrock employee in the back causing him to fall forward on the grating steps. The injured person (IP) complained of lower back pain on the right side, a laceration to his right knee and pain in his left ankle.

The IP was evacuated to a medical facility for additional treatment. It was determined the IP sustained a broken left ankle and received stitches on his right knee.

The BSEE Lafayette District conducted an onsite investigation October 23, 2017.

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

While the employees were attempting to connect the hose from the boat, their backs were facing the boat and the deck area where the rope was located. During this process the boat captain should have been monitoring the position of the boat and the hazards associated with the operations both on and off the boat. If the boat captain would not have allowed the boat to drift this incident would have been avoided.

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

NA

20. LIST THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

None

NA

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL):

\$

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRANCE NARRATIVE:

The BSEE Lafayette District office makes no recommendations to the Regional Office of Incident Investigations (OII).

23. POSSIBLE OCS VIOLATIONS RELATED TO ACCIDENT: NO

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION:

**23-OCT-2017**

26. INVESTIGATION TEAM MEMBERS:

**Esteban Ortiz / Jeremy LeMieux / Wade  
Guillotte /**

28. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

PANEL FORMED: **NO**

OCS REPORT:

29. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:

**Elliott S. Smith**

APPROVED

DATE: **05-FEB-2018**