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

1. OCCURRED
   DATE: 01-MAY-2009  TIME: 0230  HOURS

2. OPERATOR: Taylor Energy Company LLC
   REPRESENTATIVE: Ron Williams
   TELEPHONE: (713) 422-4922
   CONTRACTOR: Diamond Offshore
   REPRESENTATIVE: Damon Bourne
   TELEPHONE: (800) 848-1980

3. OPERATOR/CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE/SUPERVISOR AT TIME OF INCIDENT:
   OPERATOR/CONTRACTOR: Taylor Energy Company LLC
   SUPERVISOR: Ron Williams

4. LEASE: GO4935
   AREA: MC  LATITUDE: 28.93615833
   BLOCK: 20  LONGITUDE: -88.96510725

5. PLATFORM
   RIG NAME: DIAMOND OCEAN AMBASSADOR

6. ACTIVITY:
   X EXPLORATION (POE)
   DEVELOPMENT/PRODUCTIVE WORKOVER

7. TYPE:
   HI STORIC INJURY
   REPAIRS: ONEVACUATION
   LTA (1-3 days)
   LTA (>3 days)
   RWJT (1-3 days)
   RWJT (>3 days)
   OTHER INJURY
   FATALITY
   POLLUTION
   FIRE
   EXPLOSION

8. CAUSE:
   EQUIPMENT FAILURE
   HUMAN ERROR
   EXTERNAL DAMAGE
   SLIP/TRAPE/FALL
   WEATHER RELATED
   LEAK
   UPSET H2O TREATING
   OVERBOARD DRILLING LIQUID
   OTHER

9. WATER DEPTH: 455 FT.

10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 10 MI.

11. WIND DIRECTION: SE
    SPEED: 10 M.P.H.

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

13. SEA STATE: 5 FT.

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17. DESCRIBE IN SEQUENCE HOW ACCIDENT HAPPENED:

On May 1, 2009, at approximately 0230 hours, on the Diamond Ocean Ambassador, located at Taylor Energy Company LLC’s, Lease OCS-G 4935 (expired), Mississippi Canyon (MC) Block 20, while attempting to work the 13 5/8” casing to the bottom, the circuitry in the main panel to the drawworks blew-out rendering the drawworks inoperable. The main 600 volt electrical panel supplying power to the drawworks started emitting smoke and the pull power was reduced by 90%. Power to the panel was then shut off. Two contactors were found severely burned and the armature was covered by soot. All related equipment was inspected. The rig was down a total of 15.5 hours, with no injuries or pollution occurring as a result of the incident.

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

Equipment Failure:
Faulty Component - Two aged/worn contactors and broken hinge pin. It is suspected that a broken hinge pin allowed the contactors to twist, creating an uneven connection, thus causing the contactors to burn out.

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

20. LIST THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Replacement contactors were installed and tested.
21. PROPERTY DAMAGED: NATURE OF DAMAGE:
   Two contactors in the main control panel Burned

   ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL): $12,698

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRANCE NARRATIVE:
   The MMS New Orleans District makes no recommendations to the MMS Regional Office of Safety Management (OSM).

23. POSSIBLE OCS VIOLATIONS RELATED TO ACCIDENT: NO

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING NARRATIVE:

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION: 01-MAY-2009

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS:
   Elbert Clemens / Robert Neal /

27. OPERATOR REPORT ON FILE: YES

28. ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION: MINOR

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION PANEL FORMED: NO

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:
   David J. Trocquet

   APPROVED
   DATE: 13-JUL-2009