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

1. OCCURRED

DATE: 07-MAY-2006 TIME: 0400 HOURS

2. OPERATOR: LLOG Exploration & Production Company

REPRESENTATIVE: Bob McMann
TELEPHONE: (281) 492-8562

3. LEASE: G24154

AREA: GC LATITUDE: 
BLOCK: 157 LONGITUDE: 

4. PLATFORM: RIG NAME: DIAMOND OCEAN SARATOGA

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

6. TYPE: ☑ FIRE
☑ EXPLOSION
☑ BLOWOUT
☑ COLLISION
☑ INJURY NO. 3
☑ FATALITY NO. 
☑ POLLUTION
☑ OTHER

7. OPERATION: ☑ PRODUCTION
☑ DRILLING
☑ WORKOVER
☑ COMPLETION
☑ MOTOR VESSEL
☑ PIPELINE SEGMENT NO.
☑ OTHER

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

9. WATER DEPTH: 2614 FT.
10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 90 MI.
11. WIND DIRECTION: 
SPEED: M.P.H.
12. CURRENT DIRECTION: 
SPEED: M.P.H.
13. SEA STATE: FT.
16. OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE/SUPERVISOR ON SITE AT TIME OF INCIDENT:
David Cooper

CONTRACTOR: Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc.

CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE/SUPERVISOR ON SITE AT TIME OF INCIDENT:
Ron Davis
17. DESCRIBE IN SEQUENCE HOW ACCIDENT HAPPENED:

On May 7, 2006 rig personnel were conducting anchor handling operations. Rig personnel were attempting to uncouple connections between the different sections of the rigs anchor line, which is a normal anchor handling operation. Two sections of cable that had to be disconnected were held together by a "Link". This link is not a swivel link and there was no swivel link located anywhere in the connection. The cable attached to this link had acquired stored torque energy during its moves. The rig personnel were aware of cable's possible stored torque and were using a prybar to suppress the expected small amount of stored torque energy in the cable. When the link was uncoupled the wire caused the link to spin, thus twisting the pry bar from their hands and striking and injuring three employees.

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

The probable cause of this incident was the absence of a swivel link at this anchor line connection. The Operator stated that due to a lack of equipment spares, a swivel was not installed. A swivel would have dissipated any stored torque energy in the anchor line.

19. LIST THE CONTRIBUTING CAUSE(S) OF ACCIDENT:
21. PROPERTY DAMAGED: N/A

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRANCE NARRATIVE:
   Due to the nature of this incident, the Houma District has no recommendations to
   the Regional Office.

23. POSSIBLE OCS VIOLATIONS RELATED TO ACCIDENT: NO

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION:

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS:
   Brad Hunter /

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION
   PANEL FORMED: NO

   OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:
   Michael J. Saucier

   APPROVED
   DATE: 03-JUL-2006
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**WORK PHONE:**

**TOTAL OFFSHORE EXPERIENCE:**

**EMPLOYED BY:** Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. / 20293

**BUSINESS ADDRESS:** 111 Veterans Memorial Blvd.

**CITY:** Metairie

**STATE:** LA

**ZIP CODE:** 70005

**INJURY/FATALITY/WITNESS ATTACHMENT**
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☑ CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE  ☐ FATALITY
☐ OTHER __________________________  ☐ WITNESS

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