

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

1. OCCURRED

DATE: **06-SEP-2006** TIME: **0800** HOURS

2. OPERATOR: **Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Corporation**

REPRESENTATIVE: **Gerald Doega**  
 TELEPHONE: **(281) 673-6705**

CONTRACTOR: **Baker Energy, Inc.**  
 REPRESENTATIVE: **Mark Lemaire**  
 TELEPHONE: **(337) 406-8300**

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

4. LEASE: **00336**

AREA: **SS** LATITUDE: **29.093296**  
 BLOCK: **33** LONGITUDE: **-91.283085**

5. PLATFORM: **C-3 (PRODUCTION)**  
 RIG NAME:

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

7. TYPE:

- HISTORIC INJURY
- |                                     |                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | REQUIRED EVACUATION | 0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | LTA (1-3 days)      |   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | LTA (>3 days)       | 1 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | RW/JT (1-3 days)    |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | RW/JT (>3 days)     |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | 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  
 H2S/15MIN./20PPM  
 REQUIRED MUSTER  
 SHUTDOWN FROM GAS RELEASE  
 OTHER

6. OPERATION:

- PRODUCTION  
 DRILLING  
 WORKOVER  
 COMPLETION  
 HELICOPTER  
 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: **20** FT.

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

11. WIND DIRECTION: **N**  
 SPEED: **20** M.P.H.

12. CURRENT DIRECTION: **SSE**  
 SPEED: **1** M.P.H.

13. SEA STATE: **4** FT.

17. DESCRIBE IN SEQUENCE HOW ACCIDENT HAPPENED:

The employee placed a 36-inch pipewrench and cheater pipe on the 13C Well Header valve to switch the well into test. The employee had his left foot on a padeye and his right foot on the main decking. The cheater pipe was about chest level. When he pulled the wrench towards him, the wrench slipped of the valve and the momentum carried him overboard. He climbed up on some piping and remained there until other crewmembers noticed he was missing. Finally a crew member noticed him in the water. They were able to put a body harness around him and pull him up to the main deck. He had a bump on his head, scratches on his right forearm, and a puncture in the center of his lower back. He was flown into the hospital. He was in the hospital for about a week fighting an infection. He has a broken tail bone and going through physical therapy. There is no indication of when he will return to work.

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

The wrench slipped and the momentum caused him to fall overboard.

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

1. Improper footing may have been a contributing cause to this incident.
2. Improper valve maintenance.
3. Improper tool for the job. Valve has a tool specifically manufactured for the valve. When it becomes difficult to operate valve needs maintenance.

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

**None**

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

**n/a**

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL):

**\$**

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRENCE NARRATIVE:

**Due to the specific nature of this incident, the Houma District has no recommendations to report to the Regional Office.**

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

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

**none**

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION:

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS:

**Amy Wilson /**

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

PANEL FORMED: **NO**

OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:

**Michael J. Saucier**

APPROVED

DATE: **14-DEC-2006**

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<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHER _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	WITNESS

NAME: **Elijah Herring**

HOME ADDRESS: **1301 S. 1st St.**

CITY: **Monroe** STATE: **LA**

WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL OFFSHORE EXPERIENCE: **24** YEARS

EMPLOYED BY: **Baker Energy, Inc. / 20290**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: **163 Park Ten Place**

**Suite 320**

CITY: **Houston** STATE: **TX**

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NAME: **Stephen Hicks**

HOME ADDRESS: **5330 Hamilton Drive**

CITY: **Beaumont** STATE: **TX**

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NAME: **Serald Fondel**

HOME ADDRESS: **1003 S. Division**

CITY: **Lake Charles** STATE: **LA**

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