

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: 01-OCT-2015 TIME: 1240 HOURS

2. OPERATOR: Black Elk Energy Offshore Operati
REPRESENTATIVE:
TELEPHONE:
CONTRACTOR:
REPRESENTATIVE:
TELEPHONE:

- STRUCTURAL DAMAGE
- CRANE
- OTHER LIFTING DEVICE
- 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:

6. OPERATION:

4. LEASE: G11383
AREA: HI LATITUDE:
BLOCK: A 442 LONGITUDE:

- PRODUCTION
- DRILLING
- WORKOVER
- COMPLETION
- HELICOPTER
- MOTOR VESSEL
- PIPELINE SEGMENT NO.
- OTHER maintenance - fell off ladder

5. PLATFORM: A
RIG NAME:

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

8. CAUSE:

7. TYPE:

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

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

- FATALITY
- POLLUTION
- FIRE
- EXPLOSION

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

9. WATER DEPTH: 172 FT.

10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 80 MI.

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

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

13. SEA STATE: FT.

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

On October 1, 2015 at approximately 1240 hours, a contract employee sustained a minor injury at Black Elk Energy's High Island A442 A facility. The Injured Party (IP) had finished applying silicone caulk around a newly installed window air conditioning unit and was descending a 4' step ladder when he lost his footing (slipped). When the IP fell, he landed on a lifting pad eye on the potable water skid which was adjacent to the 4' step ladder. The IP struck the left side of his ribs on the lifting pad eye. The IP was working without assistance and no witnesses were present. The IP stated he felt fine with no pain or discomfort and did not need to go in for medical evaluation.

On October 5, 2015 the IP reported that he sneezed hard twice, which caused discomfort and a grinding sensation in his left ribcage.

On October 6, 2015 the IP was flown in for medical evaluation at Cameron Memorial Hospital. X-rays determined the IP's ribs were bruised but not broken. The IP's work schedule is 14 days on and 14 days off. The IP went home to recuperate and did not return to work for the remainder of his 14 day work schedule, resulting in a lost time accident (LTA) of 8 days.

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

Human error, the IP failed to recognize the hazards of descending a ladder while holding a caulk gun and lost his footing.

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

The IP failed to recognize the hazards of descending a ladder while holding a caulk gun and lost his footing. Landed on pad eye which was close to the ladder.

20. LIST THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The IP was flown via the field helicopter to Cameron, LA. and evaluated at Cameron Memorial Hospital. The IP's ribs were bruised but not broken. LTA 8 days.

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

None.

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL):

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRANCE NARRATIVE:

The Lake Jackson District has no recommendations to the Regional office.

23. POSSIBLE OCS VIOLATIONS RELATED TO ACCIDENT:

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION:

07-OCT-2015

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS:

Steven Cline /

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

PANEL FORMED: NO

OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:

John McCarroll

APPROVED

DATE: 22-DEC-2015

INJURY/FATALITY/WITNESS ATTACHMENT

OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE

INJURY

CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE

FATALITY

OTHER _____

WITNESS

NAME:

HOME ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE:

WORK PHONE:

TOTAL OFFSHORE EXPERIENCE:

YEARS

EMPLOYED BY:

BUSINESS ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE:

ZIP CODE: