

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: 18-NOV-2014 TIME: 1100 HOURS

2. OPERATOR: Shell Offshore Inc.

REPRESENTATIVE:

TELEPHONE:

CONTRACTOR: -

REPRESENTATIVE:

TELEPHONE:

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

4. LEASE: G11455

AREA: GB LATITUDE:

BLOCK: 128 LONGITUDE: -

5. PLATFORM: - A-Enchilada

RIG NAME:

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

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: 705 FT.

10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 102 MI.

11. WIND DIRECTION: -

SPEED: M.P.H.

12. CURRENT DIRECTION:

SPEED: M.P.H.

13. SEA STATE: FT.

17. INVESTIGATION FINDINGS: -

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On November 18, 2014 at approximately 1100 hours, an employee injured his left hand while attempting to activate the suction and discharge valves on a booster pump.

The injured employee (IE) was setting up equipment to pressure test a pipeline booster pump, valves and piping associated with the booster pump. The IE began closing the Booster Pump Station suction and discharge valves as part of the pressure testing.

During the activation of the valves, a piece of half inch tubing came loose on the top connection of the actuator causing the tubing to rotate. The IE failed to properly secure the fitting before applying pressure. The tubing contained approximately 100 psi.

As the tubing rotated, it came in contact with the IE's left hand. The testing was immediately stopped as the IE was brought to the medic located on board the facility. The IE was transported to a medical facility where it was discovered his left hand was fractured.

The BSEE Lafayette District conducted an onsite investigation on November 19, 2014.

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

IE failed to properly secure fitting before applying pressure.

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

20. LIST THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

None

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

NA

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL):

\$

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRANCE NARRATIVE:

The BSEE Lafayette District office makes no recommendations 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:

**18-NOV-2014**

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS:

**Raymond Johnson / Wade Guillotte /  
Tony Woods /**

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

PANEL FORMED: **NO**

OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:

**Elliott S. Smith**

APPROVED

DATE: **22-JAN-2015**