

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT
GULF OF MEXICO REGION

ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION REPORT

1. OCCURRED

DATE: 24-MAY-2019 TIME: 1600 HOURS

2. OPERATOR: Fieldwood Energy LLC

REPRESENTATIVE:
TELEPHONE:

CONTRACTOR:
REPRESENTATIVE:
TELEPHONE:

- STRUCTURAL DAMAGE
- CRANE
- OTHER LIFTING
- 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: 8. OPERATION:

4. LEASE: G02317

AREA: EI LATITUDE:
BLOCK: 333 LONGITUDE:

5. PLATFORM: B
RIG NAME:

- PRODUCTION
- DRILLING
- WORKOVER
- COMPLETION
- HELICOPTER
- MOTOR VESSEL
- PIPELINE SEGMENT NO.
- OTHER

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

7. TYPE:

- HISTORIC INJURY
- REQUIRED EVACUATION 1
- LTA (1-3 days) 1
- LTA (>3 days)
- 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

9. CAUSE:

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

- 10. WATER DEPTH: 240 FT.
- 11. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 77 MI.
- 12. WIND DIRECTION:
SPEED: M.P.H.
- 13. CURRENT DIRECTION:
SPEED: M.P.H.
- 14. SEA STATE: FT.
- 15. PICTURES TAKEN:
- 16. STATEMENT TAKEN:

17. INVESTIGATION FINDINGS:

On May 24, 2019 at approximately 1600 hours, a contract employee (CE) was injured while attempting to carry a section of handrail to the +10 level.

A construction crew was in the process of changing several handrails on the +10 due to corrosion. A CE was attempting to carry a handrail to the +10 level. As the CE was walking down the southeast stairwell, the handrail he was carrying connected with a handrail on the stairwell. The CE lost his footing when he attempted to free the handrail and began falling down the remaining stairwell. As the CE was falling, his face and head struck a low clearance support beam.

The CE was transported to Lafayette General for treatment. The CE suffered a broken nose and broken facial bones.

The lessee was waiting on engineering and construction to clear the low beam from the escape route without compromising the structural integrity.

The BSEE Lafayette District Inspector conducted an onsite investigation June 8, 2019.

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

As per Fieldwood Energy's Fall Prevention and Protection-Requirements Accessing the work area at height: When using stairs, one hand shall be free to use the handrails. The CE was not using three points of contact.

The CE could have utilized the crane to lower the handrails to the +10 level.

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

The low clearance beams are located in the egress route. The clearance beams did not cause the CE to lose his footing but did increase the severity of the CE's injuries.

20. LIST THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

None

NA

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL):

\$

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRANCE NARRATIVE:

The BSEE Lafayette District office makes no recommendations to the Regional Office of Incident Investigations (OII).

23. POSSIBLE OCS VIOLATIONS RELATED TO ACCIDENT: **YES**

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

INC G-110 is issued "After the Fact" to document that Fieldwood Energy LLC failed to protect health, safety and the environment by not performing operations in a safe and workmanlike manner as follows: On May 24, 2019, while attempting to replace handrails on the +10 level, an employee lost his footing on a stairway while carrying a handrail. The employee failed to achieve three points of contact as per lessee's policy. The employee's face came in contact with a low lying I-beam which is located on an emergency egress route. Due to this incident, the employee sustained a broken nose and other broken facial bones.

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION:

08-JUN-2019

26. INVESTIGATION TEAM MEMBERS:

Wade Guillotte / Ted Viator /

28. ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION:

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

PANEL FORMED: **NO**

OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:

Robert Ranney

27. OPERATOR REPORT ON FILE:

APPROVED

DATE: **15-OCT-2014**