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: 06-OCT-2018 TIME: 0930 HOURS

2. OPERATOR: Cox Operating, L.L.C.
   REPRESENTATIVE: 
   TELEPHONE: 
   CONTRACTOR: 
   REPRESENTATIVE: 
   TELEPHONE: 

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

4. LEASE: G04109
   AREA: SM LATITUDE: 
   BLOCK: 99 LONGITUDE: 

5. PLATFORM: A
   RIG NAME: 

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

7. TYPE:
   ☑ HISTORIC INJURY
     ☑ REQUIRED EVACUATION
     ☑ LTA (1-3 days) 1
     ☑ LTA (>3 days) 
     ☑ RW/JT (1-3 days) 1
     ☑ RW/JT (>3 days) 
     ☑ Other Injury
   ☑ FATALITY
   ☑ POLLUTION
   ☑ FIRE
   ☑ EXPLOSION
   ☑ HISTORIC BLOWOUT
     ☑ UNDERGROUND
     ☑ SURFACE
     ☑ DEVERTER
     ☑ SURFACE EQUIPMENT FAILURE OR PROCEDURES
   ☑ COLLISION ☑ HISTORIC ☑ >$25K ☑ <=$25K

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

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

10. WATER DEPTH: 183 FT.
11. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 70 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 October 6, 2018 at approximately 0930 hours, a contract employee (CE) injured his index finger on his left hand while attempting to position a cutting box on the deck during lifting operations.

The CE was attempting to position a cutting box that was being lowered by the platform crane. The cutting box was to be used while cleaning the sump. As the rigger on the boat connected the shackles to the cutting box, the crane operator began lifting the fast line. As the fast came up, the sling caught the lid on the cutting box and lifted the lid several inches. As the crane operator lowered the cutting box to set on the platform, the CE placed his hands between the lid and the box in an attempt to control the cutting box prior to coming in contact with the deck. When the tension was released from the sling, the lid dropped smashing the CE’s left index finger. The CE was wearing gloves at the time of the incident.

The CE was transported to a medical facility for additional treatment where it was determined he fractured the finger.

The BSEE Lafayette District conducted an onsite investigation October 10, 2018.

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

The CE failed to detect the threat of placing his fingers in a hazardous location.

The rigger failed to correct the sling raising the lid at the beginning of the lift which would have prevented the incident.

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

As per the Cox Crane Operating Procedure—Normal Start Up 7. Use taglines to help control the load. If the tagline would have been utilized to control the lift the employee may not have placed his hand in a hazardous location.

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 of Incident Investigations (OII).
23. POSSIBLE OCS VIOLATIONS RELATED TO ACCIDENT: YES

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

G-110 (W) Lessee failed to protect health, safety and the environment by not performing operations in a safe and workmanlike manner as follows: During crane lift operations, lift personnel failed to follow Cox Operating LLC’s Safety Environmental Management System Crane Operating Procedures, resulting in injury. Specifically, due to improper hand placement and failure to utilize a tagline.

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION: 10-OCT-2018

26. INVESTIGATION TEAM MEMBERS:

Charles Morvant / Jeremy LeMieux / Wade Guillotte /

28. ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION:

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION PANEL FORMED: NO

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR: Robert Ranney

27. OPERATOR REPORT ON FILE:

APPROVED DATE: 02-JAN-2019