

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

1. OCCURRED

DATE: **18-JAN-2006** TIME: **1745** HOURS

2. OPERATOR: **Murphy Exploration & Production Company**

REPRESENTATIVE: **Melanie Jarrell**

TELEPHONE: **(504) 262-4822**

3. LEASE: **G21778**

AREA: **MC** LATITUDE:

BLOCK: **734** LONGITUDE:

4. PLATFORM:

RIG NAME **DIAMOND OCEAN VICTORY**

5. ACTIVITY: EXPLORATION(POE)

DEVELOPMENT/PRODUCTION
(DOCD/POD)

6. TYPE: FIRE

EXPLOSION

BLOWOUT

COLLISION

INJURY NO. 1

FATALITY NO. _____

POLLUTION

OTHER _____

7. OPERATION: PRODUCTION

DRILLING

WORKOVER

COMPLETION

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: **5710** FT.

10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: **70** MI.

11. WIND DIRECTION: **N**

SPEED: **10** M.P.H.

12. CURRENT DIRECTION: **S**

SPEED: **1** M.P.H.

13. SEA STATE: **3** FT.

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

Brian Weydert

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

TELEPHONE: **(985) 872-4376**

CONTRACTOR: **Diamond Offshore Drilling,
Inc.**

CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE/
SUPERVISOR ON SITE AT TIME OF INCIDENT:

Ken Humphries

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

TELEPHONE: **(713) 378-7828**

17. DESCRIBE IN SEQUENCE HOW ACCIDENT HAPPENED:

At approximately 17:45 on January 18, 2006, while tripping in the hole with a 5 7/8" drill pipe, the roustabout on the rig floor relieved other floorhands so they could go eat.

The Roustabout was running the tail rope and assisting in setting the slips. The Roustabout fell behind while preparing the tail rope for the next stand and rushed over when he noticed it was time to set the slips. He grabbed the side of the rear slip handle exposing his thumb. As the slips were being pulled in, the toe of the slips caught on the rotary causing them to cock upward. His right thumb was caught between the slip handle and the elevators, smashing his thumb (puncture and contusion). This incident is recorded as a loss time accident.

Investigation Findings:

The incident occurred on January 18, at approximately 17:45 hours.

The employee had performed job between 18 to 24 times before the incident.

The Roustabout rushed himself to help set the slips and grabbed the side of the rear slip handle leaving his thumb exposed.

The Driller was tripping pipe at a moderate speed.

No formal Job Safety Analysis (JSA) was read, but the Driller covered his job duties and the proper hand placement before they started working.

When the slips were being set, the toe of the slips caught on the rotary causing them to cock upwards.

When the block was completely stopped, there was 5-6 inches between the slip handle and the elevators.

The seas were 1 to 2 with swells 3 to 4 and the winds 5 to 10 out of the North.

There were no sharp objects found sticking off of the elevator.

Roustabout was wearing all of his PPE. (hard hat, safety glasses, steel toed boots, and gloves.

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

The Roustabout felt rushed to help and grabbed the slips incorrectly exposing his thumb.

The position of the slips on rotary was positioned in a way that caused the toe of the slip to catch the rotary and cocked the slip upward.

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

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

N/A

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

N/A

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL):

\$

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRANCE NARRATIVE:

No Recommendation to MMS.

The New Orleans District concurred with the operator's recommendations to prevent recurrence.

1) Position the slips on rotary so they can be properly set.

2) Review incident in safety meeting with all crew.

3) Address in weekly safety meeting "hand" awareness when setting and pulling slips.

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

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION:

08-FEB-2006

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS:

Jarvis Outlaw / David Emelien /

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

PANEL FORMED: **NO**

OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:

Fpausina for TTrosclair

APPROVED

DATE: **17-MAR-2006**

INJURY/FATALITY/WITNESS ATTACHMENT

<input type="checkbox"/>	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INJURY
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE	<input type="checkbox"/>	FATALITY
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHER _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	WITNESS

NAME:

HOME ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE:

WORK PHONE:

TOTAL OFFSHORE EXPERIENCE: 0 YEARS

EMPLOYED BY: **Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc. / 20293**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: **111 Veterans Memorial Blvd.**

CITY: **Metairie**

STATE: **LA**

ZIP CODE: **70005**