

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

# ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION REPORT

1. OCCURRED

DATE: 07-JUL-2012 TIME: 1415 HOURS

2. OPERATOR: Apache Corporation

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 Puncture Wound

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

6. OPERATION:

4. LEASE: G02282

AREA: SM LATITUDE:

BLOCK: 132 LONGITUDE:

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

5. PLATFORM:

RIG NAME:

6. ACTIVITY:

- EXPLORATION (POE)
- DEVELOPMENT/PRODUCTION (DOCD/POD)

8. CAUSE:

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

7. TYPE:

HISTORIC INJURY

- REQUIRED EVACUATION 1
- LTA (1-3 days)
- 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

9. WATER DEPTH: 200 FT.

10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 87 MI.

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

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

13. SEA STATE: FT.

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

17. INVESTIGATION FINDINGS:

On 7 July 2012 at approximately 1415 hours, an employee, with three months experience, punctured his left hand while attempting to cut a tie wrap. The injured employee (IE) had received a portable light from another structure and was attempting to remove a tie wrap that secured the electrical cord. The IE entered the quarters and utilized a kitchen knife to remove the tie wrap. As he severed the tie wrap utilizing the kitchen knife with his right hand, the knife slipped and punctured his left hand directly below his thumb. The IE was flown in for medical treatment and received 3 stitches prior to being released to full duty. The lessee failed to provide proper training or a mentor due to the IE's lack of experience.

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

The IE should have utilized a better suited cutting device to remove the tie wrap; e.g., a pair of snips. The kitchen knife should not have been used to attempt to remove the tie wrap.

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

With only three months experience, the Lessee failed to provide proper training/mentoring.

20. LIST THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

None

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

N/A

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL): \$

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECCURANCE NARRATIVE:

The BSEE Lafayette District office makes no recommendations to the BSEE Regional Office of Safety Management (OSM).

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 Apache Corporation failed to protect health, safety and the environment by not performing operations in a safe

and workmanlike manner as follows: An employee punctured his left hand while using a kitchen knife to remove a tie wrap. The employee had only 3 months experience at the time of the incident. Apache Corporation failed to properly supervise and or monitor the employee due to his lack of experience.

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION:

16-JUL-2012

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS:

Gerald Gonzales / Wade Guillotte /  
Raymond Johnson /

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

PANEL FORMED: NO

OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:

Glynn Breaux f/ Elliott S

APPROVED

DATE: 08-AUG-2012

