

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

1. OCCURRED

DATE: **12-APR-2008** TIME: **1230** HOURS

2. OPERATOR: **BP America Production Company**

REPRESENTATIVE: **Halverson, Teri**

TELEPHONE: **(281) 366-6292**

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

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

6. OPERATION:

4. LEASE: **00839**

AREA: **WD** LATITUDE:
BLOCK: **94** LONGITUDE:

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

5. PLATFORM: **G**

RIG NAME:

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

8. CAUSE:

7. TYPE:

- HISTORIC INJURY
- REQUIRED EVACUATION **1**
- LTA (1-3 days)
- LTA (>3 days)
- RW/JT (1-3 days)
- RW/JT (>3 days) **1**
- Other Injury

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

- FATALITY
- POLLUTION
- FIRE
- EXPLOSION

9. WATER DEPTH: **153** FT.

- LWC HISTORIC BLOWOUT
- UNDERGROUND
 - SURFACE
 - DEVERTER
 - SURFACE EQUIPMENT FAILURE OR PROCEDURES

10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: **27** MI.

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

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

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

13. SEA STATE: FT.

17. DESCRIBE IN SEQUENCE HOW ACCIDENT HAPPENED:

On April 12, 2008, at 1230 hours, at BP America Production Company's, Lease OCS-00839 West Delta (WD) Block 94, Platform G, a contract employee injured his left foot and ankle when he slipped while attempting to use a drip pan of a diesel storage tank, for the generator, to climb up and perform his duties. Injured Person (IP) was evacuated for evaluation and was diagnosed with a fracture to a bone in his left foot and dislocation of his left ankle. IP returned to work on restricted light duty in the office for 4-6 weeks.

Sequence of Events:

Contract employee was climbing up onto a drip pan (4'x 8' x 24" high) of a diesel storage tank for the generator to check levels in tank. As the employee stepped up onto lip (2" width) of the drip pan he reached for the metal frame above the top of the storage tank to pull himself up, his hand slipped off of the metal framing causing him to lose his balance and step backwards off the edge of the drip pan onto the platform deck. His left foot became wedged between two drip pans sitting next to each other on the deck causing injury to both his foot and ankle.

Immediate Action:

Injured employee was flown to Terrebonne General Hospital in Houma, LA for evaluation. The results showed the employee had a fracture to a bone in his left foot and dislocation of his left ankle. Employee returned to work on restricted light duty in the office for 4-6 weeks.

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

Employee was climbing on a piece of equipment which is unsafe practice.

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

20. LIST THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

None

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

None

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL):

\$

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRENCE NARRATIVE:

The New Orleans District makes no recommendations to MMS.

The New Orleans District concurs with the Operator's corrective action to prevent recurrence.

Corrective Action:

Field operations will develop a stand with steps and platform for standing which would allow access to the top of tank for filling and checking levels, therefore eliminating the need to climb up and stand on the edge of the drip pan.

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

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION:

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS:

No onsite investigation /

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

PANEL FORMED: **NO**

OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:

Troy Trosclair

APPROVED

DATE: **25-APR-2008**