

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

1. OCCURRED

DATE: **11-DEC-2007** TIME: **0540** HOURS

2. OPERATOR:

**Chevron U.S.A. Inc.**

REPRESENTATIVE: **George, Noel**

TELEPHONE: **(504) 592-6542**

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: **G03338**

AREA: **MP** LATITUDE:  
BLOCK: **44** LONGITUDE:

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

5. PLATFORM: **KC**

RIG NAME:

6. ACTIVITY:

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

8. CAUSE:

7. TYPE:

- HISTORIC INJURY
  - REQUIRED EVACUATION
  - LTA (1-3 days)
  - LTA (>3 days)
  - RW/JT (1-3 days)
  - RW/JT (>3 days)
  - Other Injury
- FATALITY
- POLLUTION
- FIRE
- EXPLOSION

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

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

9. WATER DEPTH: **60** FT.
10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: **6** MI.
11. WIND DIRECTION: **SE**  
SPEED: **20** M.P.H.
12. CURRENT DIRECTION:  
SPEED: M.P.H.
13. SEA STATE: **3** FT.

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

17. DESCRIBE IN SEQUENCE HOW ACCIDENT HAPPENED:

On December 11, 2007, at approximately 05:40 hours, the Motor Vessel (MV) The Lady Marie collided with Chevron U.S.A. Inc's, Lease OCS-G 03338, Main Pass (MP) Block 44-KC Platform. The accident was reported by the Motor Vessel (MV) Terry Bordelon to the Venice Shorebase and the U.S. Coast Guard. There was no report of pollution.

**Sequence of Events:**

The MV, The Lady Marie, a 160 foot crew boat, was passing through the MP 44 area and struck Chevron U.S.A. Inc's, Lease OCS-G 03338, Main Pass (MP) Block 44-KC Platform at approximately 0540 hours on December 11, 2007. The Venice Shorebase received a radio call from the M/V Terry Bordelon reporting the collision and stated that the vessel was wedged in the structure. At the time of this call, the M/V Terry Bordelon had already contacted the U.S. Coast Guard and was instructed to stand-by until the U.S. Coast Guard arrived on location. At that point there was no report of pollution but a hissing noise could be heard.

**First Update:** The U.S. Coast Guard responded to the incident.

**Second Update:** No pollution was from the incident. The M/V Terry Bordelon did report that there were some injuries on the M/V Lady Marie and that the U.S. Coast Guard was on the scene treating the injured. The Platform was reported by the crew of the M/V Terry Bordelon to have been well lighted when they arrived on the scene of the accident. Visibility was clear. Winds 15 to 20 Southeast. Seas 2 to 3 feet with occasional ground swells of 4 to 5 feet.

**Third Update:** The number of people reported on the M/V Lady Marie is nine (9). Chevron received reports that 3 injured people were taken off of M/V Lady Marie via U.S. Coast Guard Helicopter. Chevron does not know the extent of injuries. The M/V Lady Marie was not contracted for Chevron and information on injured passengers are not being released to Chevron.

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

**Human Error:**  
**Pilot error.**

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

20. LIST THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

**Platform damaged.**

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

**Collision of MV The Lady Marie with the Platform.**

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL):

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRENCE NARRATIVE:

**The New Orleans District makes no recommendations to MMS.**

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

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

**U. S. Coast Guard related.**

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: **11-MAR-2008**