

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: 24-OCT-2012 TIME: 0830 HOURS

2. OPERATOR: Apache Corporation

REPRESENTATIVE:

TELEPHONE:

CONTRACTOR:

REPRESENTATIVE:

TELEPHONE:

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

4. LEASE: G03776

AREA: SM LATITUDE:

BLOCK: 106 LONGITUDE:

5. PLATFORM:

RIG NAME:

6. ACTIVITY:

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

7. TYPE:

HISTORIC INJURY

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

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

STRUCTURAL DAMAGE
 CRANE
 OTHER LIFTING DEVICE
 DAMAGED/DISABLED SAFETY SYS.
 INCIDENT >\$25K
 H2S/15MIN./20PPM
 REQUIRED MUSTER
 SHUTDOWN FROM GAS RELEASE
 OTHER **Shoulder Injury**

6. OPERATION:

PRODUCTION
 DRILLING
 WORKOVER
 COMPLETION
 HELICOPTER
 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: FT.

10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: MI.

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

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

13. SEA STATE: FT.

17. INVESTIGATION FINDINGS:

On 24 October 2012, at approximately 0830 hours, an employee severely injured his right shoulder while attempting to climb into a cargo basket. The cargo basket was being offloaded from a boat and its contents were to be removed from the basket. The cargo basket had no doors to access the items to be removed and contains walls approximately 5 feet high. While the cargo basket was being transported to the facility, it accumulated moisture. Once the cargo basket was ready to be offloaded, the injured employee (IE) attempted to enter the basket by climbing over the cargo basket wall. As he attempted to lower himself into the basket, the IE's hand slipped due to the water accumulation causing the IE to injure his right shoulder. The IE was transported to the lessee's medic located at SMI 268. The medic suggested the IE receive additional treatment and was transported to Acadiana Health Clinic located in Lafayette La. Due to the severity of the injury, the IE will not return to work for approximately 6 to 8 weeks.

According to the lessee's Fall Protection policy, special precautions shall be taken when wet or other slippery conditions exist. Also, climbing on equipment such as pumps, exchangers, valve hand wheels, transformers, electric motors, hand rails, structures, or any other facilities not designed for climbing should be avoided.

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

1. The IE failed to follow the lessee's Fall Protection policy by attempting to climb a structure not designed for climbing.
2. The IE also failed to follow the lessee's Fall Protection policy by not taking special precautions on wet or other slippery conditions.

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

20. LIST THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

NATURE OF DAMAGE:

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL): \$

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRENCE 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 Mariner Energy, Inc. failed to protect health, safety and the environment by not performing operations in a safe and workmanlike manner as follows: An employee failed to perform operations in a safe and workmanlike manner by attempting to climb over the side of an approximately 5 foot high cargo basket to unload it. The employee's hand slipped on the wet surface of the cargo basket causing the employee to severely injure his right shoulder. The employee failed to comply with the lessee's Fall Protection Policy, section D, chapter 6, which states Climbing on equipment such as pumps, exchangers, valve hand wheels, transformers, electric motors, hand rails, structures, or any other facilities not designed for climbing should be avoided. Also, special precautions shall be taken when wet or other slippery conditions exist.

Apache Corporation is advised to submit a letter of explanation addressing the hazard associated with entering the cargo basket stated in the aforementioned INC., and its plans for eliminating future incidents of this nature to the BSEE Lafayette District.

25. DATE OF ONSITE INVESTIGATION:

29-OCT-2012

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS:

Wade Guillotte / Raymond Johnson / Gerald Gonzales /

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

PANEL FORMED: NO

OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR:

Michael Hebert

APPROVED

DATE: 13-NOV-2012

