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State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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ACCIDENT REPORT

As required by Rule 602.b.

DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT (Please be as specific as possible)

Name of Operator: Delta Petroleum Corporation
Date of Incident: 3/17/2011
Type of Facility (well, tank battery, flow line, pit): well
Well Name and Number: 22-233D
API Number: 05-077-09912
Connect to Accident (land owner, royalty owner, etc).: contractor

Location

County: Mesa
Field Name: North Vega
QtrQtr: NESW Section: 22
Township: 9S Range: 93W
Meridian: 6th

Provide a detailed description of the accident, problem, and cause (equipment failure, human error, etc.):

Night driller miscounted pipe tally, drilling through plug intended to isolate pressure. The error was discovered, but not communicated to day driller or crew. The day crew was preparing to install a test plug, but did not check for pressure as safety protocol requires. The driller released the blind rams, and the resulting pressure release knocked a floor hand and the pressure tester into the surrounding substructure. The floor hand recieved a broken rib and facial lacerations requiring stitches, and the pressure tester recieved a cut on the ear. Both were transported by other field personnel to the hospital for treatment and subsequent release. The floor hand returned to light duty on 3-18-2011, while the pressure tester resumed normal work load.

Shift change protocol have since been reviewed and improved, requiring a formal meeting with the company representative and representatives of both crews required to attend. Pressure control protocol were also reviewed, and will be emphasized at each crew change meeting.

OTHER NOTIFICATIONS

List the parties and agencies notified (County, BLM, EPA, DOT, Local Emergency Planning Coordinator or other).

Date	Agency	Contact Person	Response

Accident Tracking No:_____