

Silliman James

From:

Wendell York

Sent:

Friday, June 22, 2012 4:14 PM

To:

Silliman James

Subject:

RE: CEN12FA250: Information Request

Attachments:

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Jim,

I've provided an updated two dimensional view with a bit more information. This updated drawing reflects more accurately what the cranes would look like during take-off and landing in their stowed positions. Also, I've provided answers to your questions in red below. It took me a bit of time to gather answers as the personnel onboard the rig the day of the incident are currently off rotation.

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Rowan Companies, plc

From: Silliman James

Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2012 4:45 PM

To: Wendell York

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Wendell.

This helps a lot.

Questions:

- 1. Is this drawing now aligned with the actual heading of the rig at the time of the accident? (Yes, the rig is currently in the same heading it was at on April 17th and that is what the drawing reflects.)
- Were the cranes actually positioned as they are depicted in this drawing? If not, how were the cranes positioned at the time of the accident? (Crane positions do not reflect actual positions at the time of incident. The crane should be in stowed position during takeoff and landing.)
- 3. During takeoff and landing at the pad, do the cranes get positioned so that they are in the least restrictive positions for the landings and departures? (See answer to #2 above)
- 4. As the drawing depicts it now, it appears that a 190 degree heading is flying almost right at the middle of the rig. Am I correctly interpreting the drawing? (Yes)

Jim

From: Wendell York [mailto:

Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2012 1.10 FF

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