

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: NTSB Transcripts for ITV DESPERADO FIRE 17FEB23
Date: Monday, April 3, 2023 2:30:16 PM

Good Afternoon Luke,

I received a call today from Ms. Jana Eyler with Gates Kansas' Distribution Warehouse. She confirmed that there are no recalls for the Gates 8G1 hose.

Thank you.

Respectfully,
[REDACTED]
US Coast Guard
Sector New Orleans
Investigations Division

-----Original Message-----

From: Wisniewski Luke [REDACTED] >
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2023 12:14 PM
To: [REDACTED] (USA) [REDACTED] >
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: NTSB Transcripts for ITV DESPERADO FIRE 17FEB23

Hi [REDACTED],

Thanks for the update. If you want to include me on the call, I would be happy to help. I am confident you'll have it all covered.

Thank you,

Luke

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From: [REDACTED] (USA) <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2023 1:06 PM
To: Wisniewski Luke <[REDACTED]>
Subject: RE: NTSB Transcripts for ITV DESPERADO FIRE 17FEB23

Good Afternoon Luke,

Hope all is well.

I have been in contact with the hose manufacturer (Gates) regarding the 8G1 hose, which was manufactured in their Kansas plant.

I have obtained the Quality Control Reps information and am awaiting a call back from her. I will keep you posted.

Thanks and have a great day.

Respectfully,

[REDACTED]
US Coast Guard
Sector New Orleans
Investigations Division

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From: [REDACTED] (USA)
Sent: Friday, March 24, 2023 5:16 PM
To: Wisniewski Luke <[REDACTED]>
Subject: RE: NTSB Transcripts for ITV DESPERADO FIRE 17FEB23

Good Evening Luke,

Good copy on all. I will work on these items this upcoming week.

Have a great weekend.

Respectfully,
[REDACTED]
US Coast Guard
Sector New Orleans
Investigations Division

-----Original Message-----

From: Wisniewski Luke <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, March 24, 2023 1:11 PM
To: [REDACTED] (USA) <[REDACTED]>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: NTSB Transcripts for ITV DESPERADO FIRE 17FEB23

Good afternoon [REDACTED],

Happy Friday!

Thank you for your update. Sorry for the delay in response. Yes, we can talk next week if you like. As previously discussed, I will develop a close out memo, NTSB's lowest level of investigation, indicating the facts and circumstance of the incident have been reviewed and no further action is required by the NTSB.

This is based on the following facts:

1. Property damage to the vessel was less than \$25,000.00 based on our discussions and interview with the Captain / Owner. You can follow up with the owner and see if he submitted a claim to insurance, but the property damage will not rise to < \$500K.
2. The port side steering pump hydraulic hoses were installed by service technician in November. During the interviews, the crew indicated they did not alter, adjust, or tightened the ruptured hose.
3. The hose was removed prior to commencing our investigation. ***Please send me any and all photos USCG Waterways / OCMI / responders took of the damaged / ruptured hose after the incident***
4. Please confirm, there are no manufacturer recalls or safety alerts listed for the 1/2" (12.5 mm) Gates (manufacture) 8G1 (model /name) wire braid

hose with a minimum work pressure of 16.0 MPa (2325 PSI), minimum burst pressure 9,300 PSI, ISO 1436, 1SN R1ATS / EN853 1SN / SAE 100R1AT, Flame Resistant MSHA 2G-11C, AM100718, 1577, -40F to 212F, meets ISO 15540 / ISO 15541, Engineering in USA Made in Mexico, 01:23:59

Please let me know if you have any questions. I look forward to your reply.

Have a good weekend.

Best Regards,

Luke Wisniewski

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