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U.S. COAST GUARD INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Subject: ITV ROBERT CENAC allision with Rigolets Swing Bridge

Interview of: Reid Lyle Marcel

Date/Time: 13Jan21 1230

Phone: In person

MMLD: N/A

Interviewed by: LT [REDACTED]

Others Present:

Interviewer Summary:

Deckhand MARCEL had just arrived to the vessel for a 14 day on, 7 day off schedule on 08Jan21. He has served as a Captain for 4 years with this company and 9 years total. He was on his way to bed but wanted to make sure the new Captain was good to go after relieving when he said something was wrong with the bridge to the Captain. Two red lights were visible but the third one was not. The Captain had said he was set up against the current, coming into the bridge span at an angle. As they got closer he and Deckhand MARCEL noticed that the bridge looked like it was 3/4s of the way open. He witnessed the Captain immediately backing down and the current set him into the bridge when he was broadside. He stated it all happened so fast, within 5 minutes.

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