



# National Transportation Safety Board

Washington, D.C. 20594  
Office of Marine Safety

## Interview Summary

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**Meeting with:** Mr. Matthew Lohr, *Capt. Dale* deckhand

**Date/time:** November 26, 2019 11:0 EST

**Location:** Lyon Shipyard, Norfolk, Virginia

**Interviewed by:** LT [REDACTED], USCG and Marcel L. Muise, NSTB

**In attendance:** Mr. Dan Stillman, counsel to City of Hampton – Party in interest

**Case:** DCA20FM004

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- He has worked in the industry since 1999 and for Coastal since 2007.
- He has a TWIC but no MMC.
- The YD71 was taken to Cape Charles.
- The excavator retrieved the hurricane loop and placed it over the bitt.
- He was on the barge when the chain was put on the bitt but kept his distance.
- Normally he would be the one to retrieve the tagline and cable.
- They used the port bow bitt.
- The hurricane loop is shackled to the mooring chain. They cut the center piece out of the link to put the pin through.
- He didn't notice the excavator use more than normal force to pull the hurricane loop up.
- They waited for the barge to fetch up before departing for the weekend.