



U.S. COAST GUARD WITNESS STATEMENT FORM

(Please Print Clearly)

Witness Name:	Catherine Weisskopf	Employer Name:	City of Hampton
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City/State/Zip:	[REDACTED]	City/State/Zip:	Hampton VA
Phone Number:	[REDACTED]	Phone Number:	
Position:	Park Ranger Aide	License/Doc. #:	
E-Mail:		E-Mail:	

I, the undersigned, make the following statement voluntarily, without threat, duress or promise of reward:

On Nov. 17, 2019 @ 0637 I noticed a spud barge with an excavator on board washed ashore. There were emergency personnel on the board walk and monitoring the situation. I took a couple of photos and I proceeded to my job at James T Wilson Fishing Pier. Pier was closed the evening before due to the weather conditions. I arrived that morning to open for business. Notified my immediate Manager of the barge washed ashore. She instructed me not to open the pier to the Public/customers, due to the unsecured barge. We communicated via phone conversations and text messages the situation. Due to high winds, surf and the incoming tide the barge started to drift and move along the shoreline towards the James T Wilson Fishing Pier. At 0841 the barge drifted closer to the pier. Hampton Emergency personnel were on site trying to prevent collision. ~0904 Barge made contact pier.

I have read my statement as documented above (and, if applicable, on continuation pages), and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true and correct.

SIGNATURE

11/21/2019
DATE

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