

# Notifiable incident

**Incident ID** [5140](#)

**Duty holder:** INPEX Operations Australia Pty Ltd  
**Facility/Activity:** CPF Ichthys Explorer  
**Facility type:** Other platform with accommodation facilities when drilling/workover facilities are not in commission

Incident details	
<b>Division</b>	Occupational Health and Safety
<b>Notification type</b>	Incident
<b>Incident date</b>	11/11/2017 03:50 AM (WST)
<b>Notification date</b>	11/11/2017 04:30 AM (WST)
<b>NOPSEMA response date</b>	11/11/2017 06:00 AM (WST)
<b>Received by</b>	
<b>Nearest state</b>	WA
<b>Initial category type</b> <i>(based on notification)</i>	Dangerous Occurrence
<b>Initial category</b> <i>(based on notification)</i>	Unplanned event - implement emergency response plan
<b>3 Day report received</b>	13/11/2017
<b>Final report received</b>	13/11/2017
<b>All required data received</b>	13/11/2017
<b>Final category type</b> <i>(based on final report)</i>	Dangerous Occurrence
<b>Final category</b> <i>(based on final report)</i>	Unplanned event - implement emergency response plan
<b>Brief description</b>	OHS - UPE - fire and gas Alarm
<b>Location</b>	Deck
<b>Subtype/s</b>	Alarm, Muster
<b>Summary</b> <i>(at notification)</i>	false alarm - fire and gas indication on west crane. ERT and Fire team mobilised and investigated - false alarm associated with maintenance. Brought mainpower back on and returned to normal operations.

<b>Details</b> <i>(from final report)</i>	<p>On the morning of 11/11/17 maintenance team were preparing to isolate the west crane for slew ring inspection. The technicians involved in isolating the crane pulled the knives on the 2 crane cabin HVAC gas detectors which initiated an ESD1A on total invalidity for those two detectors (B-871-DGC-003 and B-871-DGC-003). The Maintenance Override Switches (MOS's) were not in place prior to this work being executed. Facility ESD1A and GPA initiated. Facility muster followed. Investigations confirmed false alarm. Full muster achieved, facility stood down and all returned to work.</p> <p>False alarm - fire and gas indication on west crane. ERT and Fire team mobilised and investigated - false alarm associated with maintenance. Brought mains power back on and returned to normal operations.</p> <p>On the morning of 11/11/17 maintenance team were isolating the West crane for slew ring inspection. The technicians involved in isolating the crane pulled the knives on the 2 crane cabin HVAC gas detectors which initiated an ESD1A (non-hazardous) on total invalidity for those two detectors (B-871-DGC-003 and B-871-DGC-004). The MOS's were not in place prior to this work being executed. The technicians performing the work immediately notified the CCR alerting them of their actions and that no fire was present. Facility ESD1A (non-Hazardous) and GPA initiated. Facility muster followed. Full muster achieved, ERT were deployed whereby it was confirmed as a false alarm. The facility stood down and all returned to work. Work to re-establish normal power to the facility then commenced. The investigation uncovered the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Detectors had not been inhibited prior to the isolation of the associated knives</li> <li>2. No bypass certificate (containing inhibits) had been issued to the technicians prior to isolation</li> <li>3. A bypass certificate had been raised as a part of the scope which included the required inhibits. However, the certificate was still located with the permit pack at the time of isolation.</li> <li>4. The bypass certificate had been structured as a parent to the permit and not to the electrical isolation. Therefore the MOS had not been isolated in the correct sequence (prior to the isolation taking place) and would only have had to have been in place prior to the issue of the permit.</li> <li>5. Hierarchy section of the EIC and Bypass certificate had not been filled out correctly.</li> </ol>
<b>Immediate cause/s</b>	Pulling knives on crane HVAC gas detectors without MOS's in place.
<b>Root cause/s</b>	HPD - PROCEDURES - Not used / followed - no procedure
<b>Root cause description</b>	Maintenance Override Switch (MOS's)'s not in place prior to commencement of task. The bypass certificate had been structured as a parent to the permit and not to the electrical isolation. Therefore the MOS had not been isolated in the correct sequence (prior to the isolation taking place) and would only have had to have been in place prior to the issue of the permit. Hierarchy section of the EIC and bypass certificate had not been filled out correctly.

**Duty inspector recommendation**

<b>Date</b>	11/11/2017
<b>Duty inspector</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Recommendation</b>	Do not conduct Major Investigation
<b>Reasoning</b>	Does not meet MI threshold based on information received
<b>Supporting considerations</b>	

**Major investigation decision**

<b>Date</b>	13/11/2017
<b>Decision</b>	Do not conduct Major Investigation
<b>Reasoning</b>	Does not meet MI threshold based on information received
<b>Supporting considerations</b>	

**Non-major investigation review and recommendation**

<b>Date</b>	12/11/2017
<b>Inspector</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Risk gap</b>	None
<b>Type of standard</b>	Established
<b>Initial strategy</b>	Inclusion in annual stats/data analysis

**Recommended follow up strategy**

<b>Recommended strategy</b>	Inclusion in annual report stats / data analysis
<b>Supporting considerations</b>	Facilities (CPF & ASV) mustered in the past due to F&G alarm. There is no HC risk at the facilities in the current state. The event was confirmed as false alarm. NT

**Non-major investigation decision**

<b>Date</b>	15/11/2017
<b>RoN</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>RoN review result</b>	Agree with recommendation
<b>Strategy decision</b>	Inclusion in annual report stats / data analysis
<b>Supporting considerations</b>	Agreed.

**Associated inspection**

<b>Inspection ID</b>	
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