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REPORT

“FB-54 Spud Barge”

OFFICIAL No. 565667

Valuation Survey

at Beaumont, Texas

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1. INTRODUCTION & CONCLUSION

1.1 Instructions Received

1.1.1 On 6 June 2016, this office received instructions from Aline Smith, U.S. Maritime Administration, Division of Gulf Operations, to attend and conduct a Condition and Valuation Survey on the *"FB-54 SPUD BARGE."*

1.2 Attendance

1.2.1 On 10 June 2016, a survey was carried out at Beaumont, TX from the hours of 0830 to 1400.

1.3 Scope of Report

1.3.1 This report describes the unit in general terms and proceeds with detailed comment on the structural integrity and condition in those areas of the vessel accessible for inspection during our attendance. The report includes description and comment on the condition of the hull, engine room hold, paint, and deck fittings. The final section is a summary and conclusion, with an overall assessment and valuation of the unit.

2. GENERAL PARTICULARS

2.1 The Unit

2.1.1 Vessel description:

Item	Remarks
Name of vessel:	"FB-54"
Type of vessel:	Spud Barge
Principal special equipment:	None
Flag / Port of registry:	USA / Unknown
Official No.:	565667
Year/place of construction:	1975 / Unknown
Year/place conversion:	N/A
Registered owners:	U.S. Maritime Administration
Operators:	U.S. Maritime Administration
Dimensions:	L: 250.1' x 50.0' x 9.6'
Gross Tonnage:	1,111

2.2 Unit Arrangement

- 2.2.1 The vessel is arranged from forward to aft with what appears to be eighteen (18) ballast/void tanks and an engine room hold at the stern.
- 2.2.2 Double 10" roller fairleads are fitted at the port forward, starboard forward, port aft and starboard aft corners on the deck in recessed 5' x 3'3" x 12" sections.
- 2.2.3 Cleats 4' in length are fitted in various places around the deck including one (1) on the port bow, two (2) port midships, and one (1) on the port aft quarter.
- 2.2.4 Cleats 3' in length are fitted in various places around the deck including one (1) on the starboard forward corner, two (2) port midships, two (2) starboard midships, and one (1) on the stern.
- 2.2.5 Double bits 10" in diameter are fitted in various places around the deck including one (1) port forward quarter, one (1) starboard forward quarter, one (1) port aft quarter, and one (1) starboard aft quarter.

- 2.2.6 One (1) hoisting crane is fitted on the port side forward of midships. Crane is approximately 12' in height with a 10' beam and trolley. Capacity is unknown. Electric motor is fitted for winching.
- 2.2.7 Doubler plates typically 5'5" x 2' are fitted to the deck in various places including one (1) bow port side, one (1) bow starboard side, one (1) starboard forward quarter, two (2) starboard midships and two (2) starboard aft quarter.
- 2.2.8 Hand operated cable winches are located in various places on the deck including two (2) port bow, one (1) starboard bow, one (1) starboard aft quarter, and one (1) midships centreline.
- 2.2.9 Two (2) spuds of a square construction approximately 20" x 20" are located port side
- 2.2.10 Stairwell is located in a recessed section on the port side.
- 2.2.11 Slots typically 4" x 2' are built into the vessel on the starboard side. One (1) starboard forward, two (2) starboard midships, one (1) starboard aft quarter.
- 2.2.12 Eighteen (18) tank hatches are located in various places on the barge deck.
- 2.2.13 One (1) manually operated hatch is located starboard aft.
- 2.2.14 One (1) cargo hatch approximately 13'6" x 12'7" is located on the port stern quarter over the engine room hold. A second cargo hatch approximately 8'6" x 5'9" is located forward of the engine room hold access inboard of the as built stairs port side.
- 2.2.15 Two (2) recessed sections are located on the deck approximately 5' x 5' x 12" on the bow and stern centreline.
- 2.2.16 Two (2) fixed rollers 9" are located on the stern.
- 2.2.17 Ventilation trunk and engine room hold ladder way is fitted on the port stern quarter. The engine room hold has been gutted and is void of machinery.

2.3 Unit Construction

- 2.3.1 The unit is constructed of welded steel.

2.4 Certification and Documentation

2.4.1 No certification was sighted.

2.4.2 No documentation was sighted.

2.4.3 A paint analysis report was received dated 21 Dec 2015.

3. CONDITION OF UNIT

3.1 External Shell plating

3.1.1 External shell plating appears in poor condition. Coating is 95% broken down. Hull has numerous large indentations and heavy rust throughout. A suspected hole was observed on the port bow in way of rake 1' above water line.

3.2 Main decks, Forecastle and Poop Decks

3.2.1 The main deck was seen in poor condition. Heavy rust and corrosion was evident throughout. Multiple open penetrations noted through the main deck typically 1" to 2" in diameter.

3.3 Ballast Tanks

3.3.1 The ballast tank were unavailable for inspection. Ballast tank hatches appear in poor condition with heavy rust and corrosion.

3.4 Engine Room Hold

3.4.1 The ventilation trunk and ladderway to the engine room hold is in poor condition and found heavily corroded. Ladderway was seen completely rusted. The deck plating in the hold was also heavily corroded and not consistently installed throughout. Miscellaneous pipework and electrical wiring was found throughout the hold in poor condition. Bilge area were found dry, although the deck underneath was corroded with heavy rust build up.

3.5 Deck Piping

3.5.1 Piping installed on the barge is limited to scrap pipework left in the engine room hold after removal of machinery.

3.6 Deck Machinery/Fittings

3.6.1 The crane was found in poor condition with an apparent lack of maintenance. Electrical wiring was cut and worn. The pedestal was noted as bolted to the deck. Bolts appear to be intact however the pedestal was seen corroded.

3.6.2 Bits were found in satisfactory condition.

3.6.3 Cleats were found in satisfactory condition except the port bow 4' cleat was noted as bent.

3.6.4 Hand cable winches were found in poor condition and while most were operable by hand they were all in need of maintenance.

3.7 Thickness Measurement

3.7.1 No thickness reports were available.

4. CONCLUSIONS AND OPINIONS

4.1 Overall Assessment

4.1.1 Based on survey, documents and areas made available for inspection the *"FB-54 SPUD BARGE"* was found to be generally in poor physical condition.

4.2 Recommendations / Repairs for Unit

4.2.1 The unit should have thickness measurement taken on the hull.

4.2.2 Watertight integrity should be determined and the plating and hull should be sandblasted and re-coated.

4.2.3 Sideshell indentations should be thoroughly inspected and repaired where necessary.

4.2.4 Engine room hold should be sandblasted and re-coated with new deck plating installed.

4.2.5 All open through deck penetrations should be sealed.

4.2.6 All machinery on deck should be restored to safe and working order.

4.3 Valuation of Unit

4.3.1 The value of the unit is \$120,000.00 or as per salvage/scrap value in 'as is – where is' condition.

4.4 Methodology of Valuation

4.4.1 The Spud Barge appears to be in poor condition as described and from a history of 30 years of serving as a landing platform and storage deck. Heavy rust and corrosion were apparent and the water tight integrity is in question with the equipment room gutted of engines and other operating equipment.

4.4.2 The above valuation reflects the experience and historical knowledge in today's market environment, and the general knowledge of similar valuations reflected in today's operating environment, and these valuations may change based on data

4.5 Statement by the Author of this Report

This report is based on surveys carried out, documentation submitted, and is prepared in good faith and without prejudice to any or all parties concerned.

For and on behalf of London Offshore Consultants, Inc.

Attending Surveyor

Landon Applegate

APPENDIX A
Photographs



1. Starboard side



2. Side Shell - Typical



3. Port Bow Quarter



4. Bow



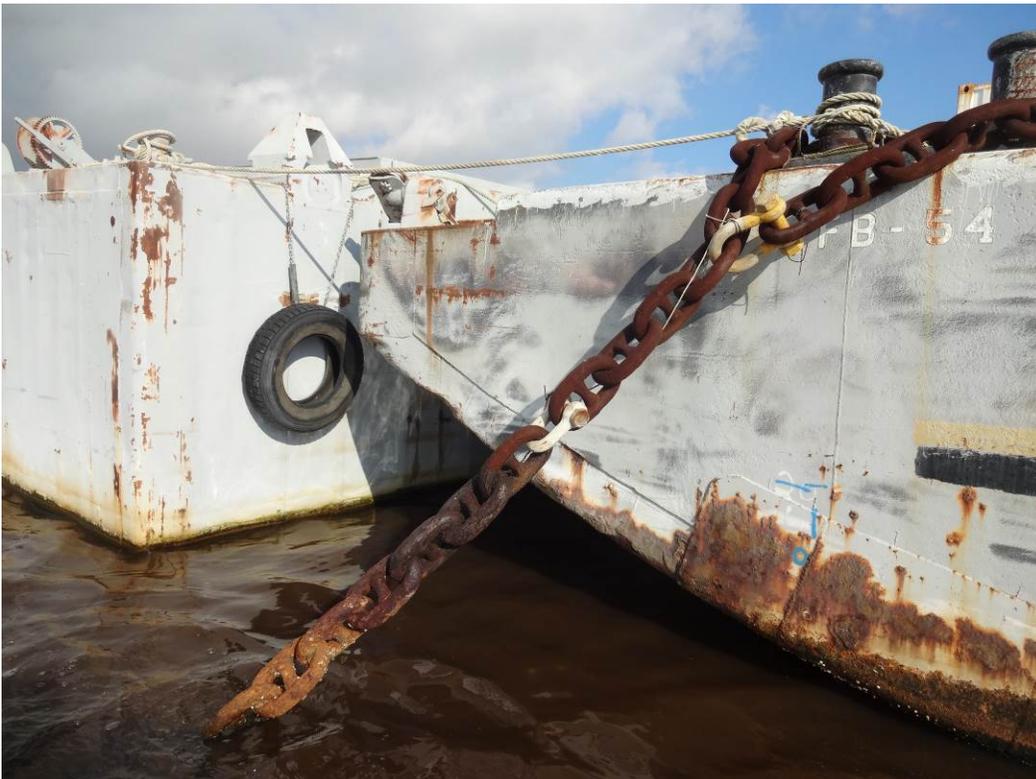
5. Port Forward Quarter



6. Port



7. Port Aft



8. Indentations/Rust - Typical



9. Deck looking Forward



10. Deck looking Aft



11. Bit Condition - Typical



12. Rotating Wire Sheave Condition – Frozen, Typical



13. Tank Hatch Cover Condition - Typical



14. Deck Fittings, Typical



15. Deck Condition, Typical, with Open Penetration



16. Side shell Indentation - Typical



17. Side shell Indentation - Typical



18. Engine Room Access / Ventilation



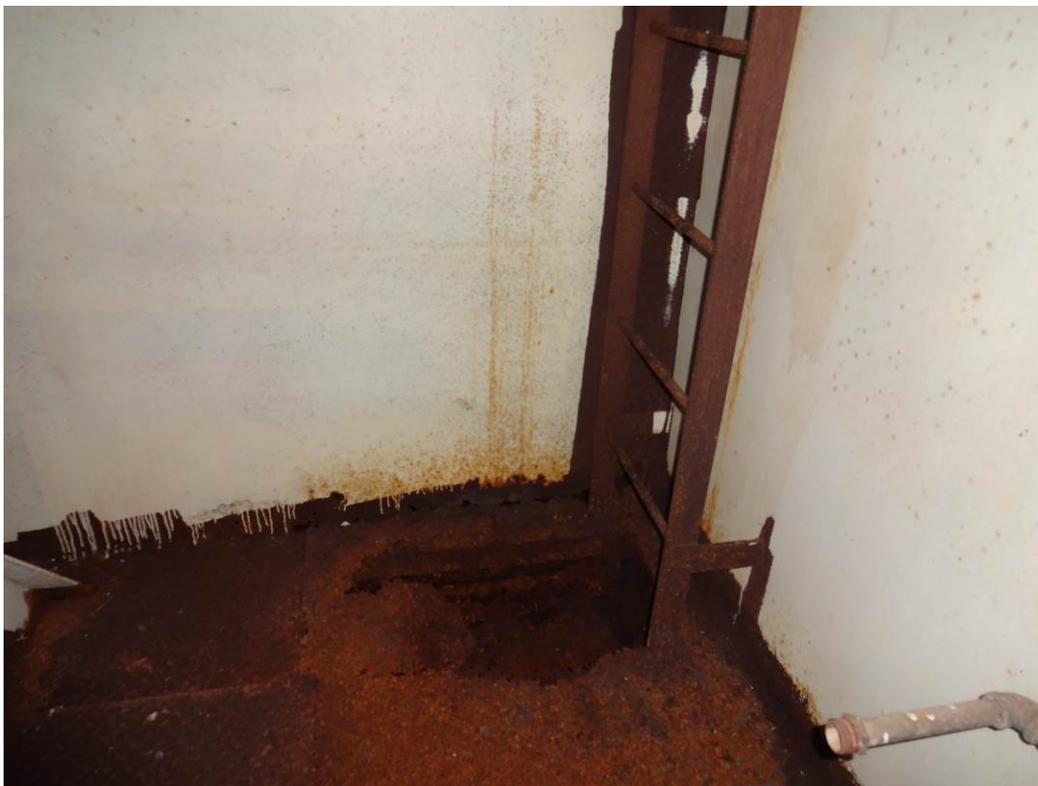
19. Engine Room Condition - Typical



20. Engine Room, Machinery Removed



21. Engine Room Deck plating and tank top - Typical



22. Engine Room



23. Spud Condition



24. Deck Corrosion



25. Heavy Rust Buildup



26. Bent Cleat

APPENDIX B
Paint Analysis Report

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PROJECT NO.:

PROJECT:

SITE/LOCATION:

SAMPLE(S) COLLECTED BY (PRINT NAME):
 Client

2-4 hr Rush _____ 24 hr Rush _____
 Expected Turnaround Time
 5-7 days 48 hr Rush _____
 7-14 days _____ 3-5 day Rush _____

REQUESTED ANALYSES

Sample Matrix Codes: Drinking Water: **DW**; Groundwater: **GW**; Liquid Waste: **LW**; Oil(s): **O**; Paint Chips: **PC**; Sand: **Sn**;
 Sludge: **Sl**; Soil/Solid: **S**; Solid Waste: **SW**; Trip Blank: **TB**; Water: **W**; Wipes: **WP**; Wastewater: **WW**

CHEMTX #	Sample Identification	Collection		Sample Matrix	Composite Grab	Chemical Preservative	Sample Containers			PCBs	Cd, Cr, Cu, Pb, Ni & Zn	Metals
		Date	Time				No.	Size (oz.)	Type (Glass/Plastic)			
P15120093	FB-54 Sample #1	12/09/15	N/A	Paint Chips	Grab	None	1	Ziplock	P	X	X	
P15120094	FB-54 Sample #2	12/09/15	N/A	Paint Chips	Grab	None	1	Ziplock	P	X	X	
P15120095	FB-54 Sample #3	12/09/15	N/A	Paint Chips	Grab	None	1	Ziplock	P	X	X	
P15120096	FB-54 Sample #4	12/09/15	N/A	Paint Chips	Grab	None	1	Ziplock	P	X	X	

Remarks: Samples must be preserved on ice after sample collection and transported in ice chest.

Relinquished By: *Michael Pattison*

Date/Time: 12-11-15 1324

Received By: *Michael Pattison*

Date/Time: 12-11-15 125pm

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Date/Time:

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Date/Time:

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Reporting Date: 12/21/15
 Sample Matrix: Paint Chips
 Date Collected: 12/09/15
 Time Collected: N/A
 Collected by: Client
 Date Received: 12/11/15
 Time Received: 1:25pm
 CHEMTEX File #: P15120093

RESULTS OF ANALYSIS

CHEMTEX ID	Sample ID	Parameter	Units	Results	RL	
P15120093	FB-54 Sample #1	Polychlorinated Biphenyls				
		Aroclor 1016	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1221	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1232	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1242	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1248	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1254	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1260	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Metals				
		Total Cadmium	mg/kg or ppm	4.78	2.5	
		Total Chromium	mg/kg or ppm	27.68	2.5	
		Total Copper	mg/kg or ppm	62.46	2.5	
		Total Lead	mg/kg or ppm	23447	2.5	
		Total Nickel	mg/kg or ppm	22.77	2.5	
Total Zinc	mg/kg or ppm	781	2.5			
P15120094	FB-54 Sample #2	Polychlorinated Biphenyls				
		Aroclor 1016	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1221	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1232	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1242	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1248	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1254	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Aroclor 1260	mg/kg or ppm	<0.33	0.33	
		Metals				
		Total Cadmium	mg/kg or ppm	29.42	2.5	
		Total Chromium	mg/kg or ppm	27.15	2.5	
		Total Copper	mg/kg or ppm	35.48	2.5	
		Total Lead	mg/kg or ppm	397	2.5	
		Total Nickel	mg/kg or ppm	15.81	2.5	
Total Zinc	mg/kg or ppm	94685	2.5			

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RESULTS OF ANALYSIS

Table with 6 columns: CHEMTEX ID, Sample ID, Parameter, Units, Results, RL. It contains two main sections of data for Polychlorinated Biphenyls and Metals across two samples (FB-54 Sample #3 and #4).

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Parameter	Method Reference	Date Analyzed/Analyst
Polychlorinated Biphenyls(PCBs)	EPA 8082	12/16/15 AJ
Metals (Cd,Cr,Cu,Pb.Ni&Zn)	EPA 6010B	12/18/15 PSL

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Basic and Advanced HVAC
CAT 3500 Operation and Maintenance
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MAN B&W 2-Stroke Theoretical and Practical Course
IADC Well Control – Drilling/Completion/Workover
Ship Security Training – US Navy

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	2007 to 2011	Seacor Marine Engineer

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Chief Engineer Unlimited with a great depth of experience in Offshore operations including Anchor Handling and Drillships.

Dynamic Positioning – Writing DP Annual Trials as well as conducting both DP Annual Trials and FMEA Proving Trials on various offshore vessels.

CMID – Conducted Common Marine Inspection Document inspections onboard offshore construction vessels.

Suitability Surveys – Conducted numerous Suitability Surveys on Offshore Supply Vessels, Offshore Construction Vessels, Cable Laying Vessels, Inland Tugs and Barges.

Mission Critical Equipment Surveys – Conducted on various platforms including Vessel Cranes, ROV's, Cable Laying equipment, and Towing equipment.

Marine Warranty Surveys – Performed numerous inspections and issuance of Loadout / Sailaway CoA's for loadouts on platforms ranging from offshore construction vessels to ocean going tug and barge operations.

On/Off-Hire Surveys – Conducted on various Barges and Offshore Construction/Supply Vessels.

2011-2014:

Noble Drilling:

Held positions from 2nd Assistant Engineer to Chief Engineer onboard Drillships in operations worldwide.

Management of engineering personnel, maintenance, and budget during dry docking periods, drilling operations, and vessel transits.

Completed multiple major shipyard periods including Chief Engineer during complete re-powering of vessels. Extensive work with Caterpillar and MAN B&W engines and control systems.

In depth experience with numerous regulatory bodies regarding regulations concerning USCG, IMO-MARPOL, Class Societies, and Arctic Drilling EPA NPDES Permits.

2007-2011:

Seacor Marine:

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Performed various duties as Assistant Engineer from Bulk Cargo Transfer, Liquid Cargo Transfer, Stability calculations, Anchor Handling operations, and Towing worldwide. Completed numerous rig moves as well as various shipyard repair/conversion periods.

Military Experience**2007 to Present:**

Lieutenant, United States Navy

Completed tasking worldwide onboard vessels, forward deployed maintenance stations, command postings and dry docking shipyards while serving as a Strategic Sealift Officer:

- COMSEALOGPAC – MSC Small Arms Training / Assigned to USNS Mercy - March 2009
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- MSCFE – Marine Engineer Advisor - SSU (Ship Support Unit) – Singapore - March 2013
- MARAD RRF ROS – Assigned to SS Gem State, Alameda, CA - July 2014
- NAVSEA FDRMC Rota – Operational Support Engineer – Destroyer Squadron - Feb/March 2015
- PHNSY & IMF – Safety of Ship Officer – Submarine Dry-dockings - Sep/Oct 2015