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**> A Reel Nice Job | Umbilical Reel Project**





Dealing with heavy transport projects is a daily occurrence for Berard, but for many clients, it is not. Recently, a gulf coast umbilical reel fabricator needed assistance in transporting three of their heaviest reels ever constructed. The client constructed the three reels at their waterfront facility, but due to port regulations, had to stage them just out of the reach of the heavy lift ship cranes scheduled to receive them. Having a 300 ton crane on site wasn't quite enough to lift the 360 ton reels, so Berard assisted in designing a plan using minimal equipment, labor, and mobilization costs. Berard engineers derived a plan that utilized the clients crane to lift the reels one half at a time, set them on Berard skid tracks, and skid them towards the waterfront. Needing to travel only 60 feet, Berard lifted and skidded the reels just as quickly as the awaiting ship could receive them. Instead of having to contract a large heavy lift crane consisting of numerous truckloads and assembly time, Berard provided a very simplified and cost effective solution to the challenge.





## > Riding High | The BOP Loadout

This issue of Berard OnTheMove features a loadout project of a Blow Out Preventer (BOP). A BOP consists of a lower stack (the taller piece) and an LMRP (the smaller piece). The lower stacks weigh up to 600,000 lbs and the LMRP's weigh up to 300,000 lbs. Berard has done dozens of these BOP projects.

The Berard Team used two six line SPMT's to handle the high center of gravity payload and move it from the clients fabrication shop through the facility yard to a waiting barge for loadout. As you can see in the images, the move through the yard was quite the squeeze in some places but the SPMT's came through in fine style.

Once arriving at the bulkhead, the two pieces were loaded and secured to the barge for water transport to their destination.

Berard developed a transport plan, ballast plan, barge layout and securing plan, as well as marine towing from Berwick, LA to Houston, TX.



## > Employee Spotlight | Brad Courville

### Brad Courville | Driver / Level 2 Operator

Brad rejoined the Berard Team in September of 2008. He's a great team member who works hard to make sure everything is in order for the job at hand. "The management and team members are really great to work with, they're not only fellow employees, but friends, everyone gets along great and that makes the job that much better" says Brad. The same can be said for Brad, we enjoy having him on the team!

Brad works at Berard alongside his dad Roy Courville and his uncle Rogers Courville. He is married to Mindi and have two children Harlee and Brennon.



## > Equipment For Sale

Berard has equipment for sale from time to time. If you are in the market for some used equipment, check out the for sale webpage at the Berard website. All of our used equipment for sale has been taken care of by our certified employees so you can rest assured you're getting quality equipment.

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