

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER**  
**DOCKET NO.:** 2006-1597-AIR-E **TCEQ ID:** RN102033891 **CASE NO.:** 31137  
**RESPONDENT NAME:** Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.

**ORDER TYPE:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1660 AGREED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> FINDINGS AGREED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> AMENDED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> IMMINENT AND SUBSTANTIAL ENDANGERMENT ORDER
<input type="checkbox"/> SHUTDOWN ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> FINDINGS DEFAULT ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> EMERGENCY ORDER	

**CASE TYPE:**

<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AIR	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE
<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATION	<input type="checkbox"/> PETROLEUM STORAGE TANKS	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY	<input type="checkbox"/> RADIOACTIVE WASTE
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTI-MEDIA (check all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> SEWAGE SLUDGE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL	<input type="checkbox"/> USED OIL
<input type="checkbox"/> USED OIL FILTER	<input type="checkbox"/> WATER QUALITY		

**SITE WHERE VIOLATION(S) OCCURRED:** R. W. Miller Plant, 2217 Farm-to-Market Road 3137, Palo Pinto County

**TYPE OF OPERATION:** Electricity generation plant

**SMALL BUSINESS:**  Yes  No

**OTHER SIGNIFICANT MATTERS:** There are no complaints. There is no record of additional pending enforcement actions regarding this facility location.

**INTERESTED PARTIES:** No one other than the ED and the Respondent has expressed an interest in this matter.

**COMMENTS RECEIVED:** The *Texas Register* comment period expired on January 15, 2007. No comments were received.

**CONTACTS AND MAILING LIST:**

**TCEQ Attorney/SEP Coordinator:** None

**TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Mr. John Barry, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Section III, MC R-10, (409) 899-8781; Mr. Steven Lopez, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-1896

**TCEQ Field Investigator:** Ms. Deana Hetherington, DFW Regional Office, MC R-04, (817) 588-5870

**Respondent:** Mr. Mickey Green, Environmental Engineer, Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., 2404 La Salle Avenue, Waco, Texas 76706

Mr. Clifton B. Karnei, Registered Agent for Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., 2404 LaSalle Avenue, Waco, Texas 76706

Mr. David P. Murphy, Vice President Generation, Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., 2404 LaSalle Avenue, Waco, Texas 76706

**Respondent's Attorney:** Not represented by counsel on this enforcement matter

**VIOLATION SUMMARY CHART:**

VIOLATION INFORMATION	PENALTY CONSIDERATIONS	CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TAKEN/REQUIRED
<p>Type of Investigation: <input type="checkbox"/> Complaint <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Routine  <input type="checkbox"/> Enforcement Follow-up <input type="checkbox"/> Records Review</p> <p>Date of Complaint Relating to this Case: None</p> <p>Date of Investigation Relating to this Case: May 18, 2006</p> <p>Date of NOE Relating to this Case: August 29, 2006 (NOE)</p> <p>Background Facts: This was a routine investigation. Two violations were documented.</p> <p><b>AIR</b></p> <p>1) Failed to submit a timely and complete deviation report. The deviation report for the June 6, 2005 through December 22, 2005 period was not submitted and should have contained the deviation related to excess oxides of nitrogen emissions discovered on July 18, 2005 [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 122.145(2)(B) and (2)(C), Federal Operating Permit ("FOP") 0002, General Terms and Conditions, and TEX. HEALTH &amp; SAFETY CODE § 382.085(b)].</p> <p>2) Failed to submit a semiannual excess emissions summary report. No such report has ever been submitted to the TCEQ; one was due with respect to excess emissions discovered in July 2005 [40 CODE OF FED. REGULATIONS § 60.7(c), FOP 0002, Special Terms and Conditions 4A, and TEX. HEALTH &amp; SAFETY CODE § 382.085(b)].</p>	<p>Total Assessed: \$6,100</p> <p>Total Deferred: \$1,220  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expedited Settlement  <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Inability to Pay</p> <p>SEP Conditional Offset: \$0</p> <p>Total Paid to General Revenue: \$4,880</p> <p>Site Compliance History Classification: <input type="checkbox"/> High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Avg. <input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p>Person Compliance History Classification: <input type="checkbox"/> High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Avg. <input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p>Major Source: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2002</p>	<p><b>Corrective Actions Taken:</b></p> <p>The Executive Director recognizes that Brazos Electric has implemented the following corrective measures at the Plant:</p> <p>a. Submitted the July 18, 2005, emissions event deviation in a May 22, 2006, deviation report which was corrected on July 14, 2006; and</p> <p>b. Submitted the 2005 annual excess emissions report on September 12, 2006, which was received by the TCEQ on September 19, 2006.</p>



Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

PCW Revision April 25, 2006

<b>DATES</b>	Assigned	05-Sep-2006		
	PCW	25-Sep-2006	Screening	12-Sep-2006
			EPA Due	

<b>RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION</b>	
Respondent	Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.	RN102033891
Facility/Site Region	10-Beaumont
Major/Minor Source	Major Source

<b>CASE INFORMATION</b>			
Enf./Case ID No.	31137	No. of Violations	2
Docket No.	2006-1597-AIR-E	Order Type	1660
Media Program(s)	Air Quality	Enf. Coordinator	John Barry
Multi-Media		EC's Team	Enforcement Team 6
Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum	\$0	Maximum	\$10,000

## Penalty Calculation Section

<b>TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)</b>	<b>Subtotal 1</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
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### ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage.

<b>Compliance History</b>	32% Enhancement	<b>Subtotals 2, 3, &amp; 7</b>	<b>\$1,600</b>
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Notes: The enhancement is due to two same or similar NOVs, one other NOV, and one order with denial of liability.

<b>Culpability</b>	No	0% Enhancement	<b>Subtotal 4</b>	<b>\$0</b>
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Notes: Does not meet the culpability criteria.

<b>Good Faith Effort to Comply</b>	10% Reduction	<b>Subtotal 5</b>	<b>-\$500</b>
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	Before NOV	NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer
Extraordinary		
Ordinary		X
N/A		(mark with a small x)

Notes: The respondent completed compliance on September 19, 2006.

<b>Economic Benefit</b>	0% Enhancement*	<b>Subtotal 6</b>	<b>\$0</b>
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Total EB Amounts	\$39	*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount
Approx. Cost of Compliance	\$1,000	

<b>SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7</b>	<b>Final Subtotal</b>	<b>\$6,100</b>
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<b>OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE</b>	Adjustment	<b>\$0</b>
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Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage. (Enter number only; e.g. -30 for -30%.)

Notes:	<b>Final Penalty Amount</b>	<b>\$6,100</b>
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<b>STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT</b>	<b>Final Assessed Penalty</b>	<b>\$6,100</b>
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<b>DEFERRAL</b>	20% Reduction	Adjustment	<b>-\$1,220</b>
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Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage. (Enter number only; e.g. 20 for 20% reduction.)

Notes: A deferral is offered for expedited settlement.

<b>PAYABLE PENALTY</b>	<b>\$4,880</b>
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<b>Screening Date</b>	12-Sep-2006	<b>Docket No.</b>	2006-1597-AIR-E	<b>PCW</b>
<b>Respondent</b>	Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.			<i>Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)</i>
<b>Case ID No.</b>	31137			<i>PCW Revision April 25, 2006</i>
<b>Reg. Ent. Reference No.</b>	RN102033891			
<b>Media [Statute]</b>	Air Quality			
<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	John Barry			

**Compliance History Worksheet**

>> **Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)**

Component	Number of...	Enter Number Here	Adjust.
NOVs	Written NOVs with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action <i>(number of NOVs meeting criteria)</i>	2	10%
	Other written NOVs	1	2%
Orders	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability <i>(number of orders meeting criteria)</i>	1	20%
	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	0	0%
Judgments and Consent Decrees	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government <i>(number of judgements or consent decrees meeting criteria)</i>	0	0%
	Any adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this state or the federal government	0	0%
Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government <i>(number of counts)</i>	0	0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events <i>(number of events)</i>	0	0%
Audits	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 <i>(number of audits for which notices were)</i>	0	0%
	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 <i>(number of audits for which violations were disclosed)</i>	0	0%
Other	<i>Please Enter Yes or No</i>		
	Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%

**Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 2)**

>> **Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)**

<input type="text" value="No"/>	<b>Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3)</b>	<input type="text" value="0%"/>
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>> **Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)**

<input type="text" value="Average Performer"/>	<b>Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7)</b>	<input type="text" value="0%"/>
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>> **Compliance History Summary**

<b>Compliance History Notes</b>	The enhancement is due to two same or similar NOVs, one other NOV, and one order with denial of liability.
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**Total Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7)**

<b>Screening Date</b>	12-Sep-2006	<b>Docket No.</b>	2006-1597-AIR-E	<b>PCW</b>
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<b>Case ID No.</b>	31137			<i>PCW Revision April 25, 2006</i>
<b>Reg. Ent. Reference No.</b>	RN102033891			
<b>Media [Statute]</b>	Air Quality			
<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	John Barry			
<b>Violation Number</b>	1			
<b>Primary Rule Cite(s)</b>	30 Tex. Admin. Code § 122.145(2)(B) and (2)(C)			
<b>Secondary Rule Cite(s)</b>	Federal Operating Permit ("FOP") 0002, General Terms and Conditions, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b)			
<b>Violation Description</b>	Failure to submit a timely and complete deviation report. The deviation report for the June 6, 2005 through December 22, 2005 period was not submitted and should have contained the deviation related to excess NOx emissions [Incident No. 61531] discovered on July 18, 2005.			

**Base Penalty**

>> **Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix**

		Harm			
Release		Major	Moderate	Minor	
OR	Actual	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Percent <input type="text"/>
	Potential	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

>> **Programmatic Matrix**

Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	
<input type="text"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Percent <input type="text" value="25%"/>

Matrix Notes

100% of the rule was not met.

**Adjustment**

**Base Penalty Subtotal**

**Violation Events**

Number of Violation Events   Number of violation days

mark only one use a small x	<i>daily</i>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>monthly</i>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>quarterly</i>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>semiannual</i>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>annual</i>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>single event</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Violation Base Penalty**

One single event is recommended.

**Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation**

**Statutory Limit Test**

Estimated EB Amount

Violation Final Penalty Total

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)

### Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.  
 Case ID No. 31137  
 Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102033891  
 Media [Statute] Air Quality  
 Violation No. 1

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
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**Delayed Costs**

Equipment				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$500	21-Jan-2006	14-Jul-2006	0.5	\$1	\$16	\$17
Engineering/construction				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Permit Costs				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs: Estimated cost of submitting deviation report; the date required is the original deadline date of report submittal; the final date is the date of corrected deviation report was submitted.

**Avoided Costs**

ANNUALIZE [1] avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided costs)

Disposal				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/equipment				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Approx. Cost of Compliance \$500

**TOTAL** \$17

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<b>Reg. Ent. Reference No.</b>	RN102033891			
<b>Media [Statute]</b>	Air Quality			
<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	John Barry			
<b>Violation Number</b>	2			
<b>Primary Rule Cite(s)</b>	40 Code of Fed. Regulations ("CFR") § 60.7(c)			
<b>Secondary Rule Cite(s)</b>	FOP 0002, Special Terms and Conditions 4A, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b)			
<b>Violation Description</b>	Failure to submit a semiannual excess emissions summary report. No such report has ever been submitted to the TCEQ; one was due by January 31, 2006, with respect to excess emissions discovered in July 2005.			

**Base Penalty**

>> **Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix**

Release	Harm			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
Actual	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Potential	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

>> **Programmatic Matrix**

Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
<input type="text"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text" value="25%"/>

Matrix Notes

**Adjustment**

**Base Penalty Subtotal**

**Violation Events**

Number of Violation Events  Number of violation days

mark only one use a small x	daily	<input type="text"/>
	monthly	<input type="text"/>
	quarterly	<input type="text"/>
	semiannual	<input type="text"/>
	annual	<input type="text"/>
single event	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

**Violation Base Penalty**

**Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation** **Statutory Limit Test**

**Estimated EB Amount**

**Violation Final Penalty Total**

**This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)**

### Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent: Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.  
 Case ID No: 31137  
 Reg. Ent. Reference No: RN102033891  
 Media (Statute): Air Quality  
 Violation No: 2

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
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Delayed Costs							
Equipment				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$500	31-Jan-2006	19-Sep-2006	0.6	\$1	\$21	\$22
Engineering/construction				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Permit Costs				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs: Estimated cost of submitting the excess emissions report: the date required is the original deadline for report submittal; the final date is date of annual excess emissions report submittal and receipt.

Avoided Costs							
ANNUALIZE [1] avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided costs)							
Disposal				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/equipment				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs:

Approx. Cost of Compliance \$500

**TOTAL** \$22

# Compliance History

N/A

Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator: CN600128821 Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. Classification: AVERAGE Rating: 3.42

Regulated Entity: RN102033891 R W MILLER PLANT Classification: AVERAGE Site Rating: 12.63

ID Number(s):	AIR OPERATING PERMITS	ACCOUNT NUMBER	PA0003W
	AIR OPERATING PERMITS	PERMIT	2
	AIR OPERATING PERMITS	PERMIT	00002
	PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION	REGISTRATION	16458
	INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATION	EPA ID	TXD020323614
	INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATION	SOLID WASTE REGISTRATION # (SWR)	32652
	AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	PERMIT	739
	AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	PERMIT	1921
	AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	PERMIT	21394
	AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	ACCOUNT NUMBER	PA0003W
	AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	PERMIT	45474
	AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	AFS NUM	0001

Location: 2217 FM 3137, PALO PINTO COUNTY Rating Date: 9/1/2005 Repeat Violator: NO

TCEQ Region: REGION 04 - DFW METROPLEX

Date Compliance History Prepared: September 18, 2006

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Compliance Period: September 01, 2001 to August 31, 2006

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding this Compliance History

Name: John Barry Phone: (409) 899-8781

### Site Compliance History Components

- 1. Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period? Yes
- 2. Has there been a (known) change in ownership of the site during the compliance period? No
- 3. If Yes, who is the current owner? N/A
- 4. If Yes, who was/were the prior owner(s)? N/A
- 5. When did the change(s) in ownership occur? N/A

**Components (Multimedia) for the Site :**

A. Final Enforcement Orders, court judgements, and consent decrees of the state of Texas and the federal government.

- N/A Effective Date: 10/24/2002 ADMINORDER 2001-1334-AIR-E
- Classification: Moderate
- Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145(2)(C)
- Description: DEVIATION REPORT
- Classification: Moderate
- Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.146(1)
- Description: CERTIFICATION

B. Any criminal convictions of the state of Texas and the federal government.

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events.

N/A

D. The approval dates of investigations. (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)

- N/A 1 06/30/2003 (23897)
- 2 10/15/2003 (250833)
- 3 08/09/2002 (4808)
- 4 09/13/2005 (407222)
- 5 08/29/2006 (482430)
- 6 02/28/2005 (349088)
- 7 10/25/2005 (434185)
- 8 08/30/2004 (286730)

E. Written notices of violations (NOV). (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)

Date: 07/10/2003 (23897)

Self Report? NO

Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

Description: BE was not in compliance with Permit No. 21394 SP 16 which requires all equipment with the potential of emitting air contaminants to be labeled.

Self Report? NO

Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter C 122.210(a)

Description: This rule requires an application for a Title V permit revision be submitted when permit changes occur at a site. BE failed to revise Federal Operating Permit No. O-00002 to reflect correct rule citations for 30 TAC 117. BE's permit refers to 30 TAC 117.601(e) which was no longer applicable after November 15, 1999.

Date: 08/31/2004 (286730)

Self Report? NO

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.146(2)

5C THC Chapter 382, SubChapter A 382.085(b)

Description: Failure to submit annual compliance certification in a timely manner.

Date: 09/13/2005 (407222)

Self Report? NO

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter F 101.201(a)(1)(B)

5C THC Chapter 382, SubChapter A 382.085(b)

Description: Failure to notify the TCEQ within 24 hours of a reportable emissions event that occurred on 7/18/05.

Self Report? NO

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

5C THC Chapter 382, SubChapter A 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT IA

Description: Failure to comply with nitrogen oxides hourly permit emission limit of 137 pounds per hour.

F. Environmental audits.

N/A

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs).

N/A

H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates.

N/A

I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program.

N/A

J. Early compliance.

N/A

Sites Outside of Texas

N/A

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



**IN THE MATTER OF AN  
ENFORCEMENT ACTION  
CONCERNING  
BRAZOS ELECTRIC POWER  
COOPERATIVE, INC.  
RN102033891**

**§ BEFORE THE  
§  
§ TEXAS COMMISSION ON  
§  
§ ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

## **AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2006-1597-AIR-E**

### **I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS**

At its \_\_\_\_\_ agenda, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. ("Brazos Electric") under the authority of TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 382 and TEX. WATER CODE ch. 7. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and Brazos Electric appear before the Commission and together stipulate that:

1. Brazos Electric owns and operates an electricity generation plant at 2217 Farm-to-Market Road 3137, Palo Pinto County, Texas (the "Plant").
2. The Plant consists of one or more sources as defined in TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 382.003(12).
3. The Commission and Brazos Electric agree that the Commission has jurisdiction to enter this Agreed Order, and that Brazos Electric is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
4. Brazos Electric received notice of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations") on or about September 3, 2006.
5. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Agreed Order shall not constitute an admission by Brazos Electric of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
6. An administrative penalty in the amount of Six Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$6,100) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). Brazos Electric has paid Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$4,880) of the administrative penalty and One Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$1,220) is deferred contingent upon Brazos Electric's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. The deferred amount will be waived upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order. If Brazos Electric



fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may require Brazos Electric to pay all or part of the deferred penalty.

7. Any notice and procedures which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
8. The Executive Director of the TCEQ and Brazos Electric have agreed on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to the approval of the Commission.
9. The Executive Director recognizes that Brazos Electric has implemented the following corrective measures at the Plant:
  - a. Submitted the July 18, 2005, emissions event deviation in a May 22, 2006, deviation report which was corrected on July 14, 2006; and
  - b. Submitted the 2005 annual excess emissions report on September 12, 2006, which was received by the TCEQ on September 19, 2006.
10. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that Brazos Electric has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
11. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.
12. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

## II. ALLEGATIONS

As owner and operator of the Plant, Brazos Electric is alleged to have:

1. Failed to submit a timely and complete deviation report, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 122.145(2)(B) and (2)(C), Federal Operating Permit ("FOP") 0002, General Terms and Conditions, and TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 382.085(b), as documented during an investigation conducted on May 18, 2006. The deviation report for the June 6, 2005 through December 22, 2005 period was not submitted and should have contained the deviation related to excess oxides of nitrogen emissions discovered on July 18, 2005.
2. Failed to submit a semiannual excess emissions summary report, in violation of 40 CODE OF FED. REGULATIONS § 60.7(c), FOP 0002, Special Terms and Conditions 4A, and TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 382.085(b), as documented during an investigation conducted on May 18, 2006. No such

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report has ever been submitted to the TCEQ; one was due with respect to excess emissions discovered in July 2005.

### III. DENIALS

Brazos Electric generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

### IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

1. It is, therefore, ordered by the TCEQ that Brazos Electric pay an administrative penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above. The payment of this administrative penalty and Brazos Electric's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Administrative penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., Docket No. 2006-1597-AIR-E" to:  
  

Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section  
Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214  
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
P.O. Box 13088  
Austin, Texas 78711-3088
2. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon Brazos Electric. Brazos Electric is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Plant operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
3. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against Brazos Electric in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Agreed Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
4. This agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single original instrument. Any executed signature page to this Agreement may be transmitted by facsimile transmission to the other parties, which shall constitute an original signature for all purposes.
5. Under 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(b), the effective date is the date of hand-delivery of the Order to Brazos Electric, or three days after the date on which the Commission mails notice of the Order to Brazos Electric, whichever is earlier. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this Agreed Order to each of the parties.

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### SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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For the Commission

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For the Executive Director



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Date

2/8/07

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Agreed Order. I am authorized to agree to the attached Agreed Order on behalf of the entity, if any, indicated below my signature, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty amount, is materially relying on such representation.

I also understand that my failure to comply with the Ordering Provisions, if any, in this order and/or my failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may result in:

- A negative impact on my compliance history;
- Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted by me;
- Referral of this case to the Attorney General's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;
- Increased penalties in any future enforcement actions against me;
- Automatic referral to the Attorney General's Office of any future enforcement actions against me; and
- TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.

In addition, any falsification of any compliance documents may result in criminal prosecution.

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Signature

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Date

10/6/02

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Name (Printed or typed)  
Authorized Representative of  
Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.

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Title

VP Generation

**Instructions:** Send the original, signed Agreed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section at the address in Section IV, Paragraph 1 of this Agreed Order.

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Dear Mr. [Name],

I am writing to you regarding the [subject matter].

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]

Very truly yours,