

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER
DOCKET NO.: 2008-0646-MSW-E TCEQ ID: RN104688874 CASE NO.: 28008
RESPONDENT NAME: JESUS GARCIA

ORDER TYPE:		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1660 AGREED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> FINDINGS AGREED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> FINDINGS ORDER FOLLOWING SOAH HEARING
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FINDINGS DEFAULT ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> SHUTDOWN ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> IMMINENT AND SUBSTANTIAL ENDANGERMENT ORDER
<input type="checkbox"/> AMENDED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> EMERGENCY ORDER	
CASE TYPE:		
<input type="checkbox"/> AIR	<input type="checkbox"/> MULTI-MEDIA (check all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE
<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY	<input type="checkbox"/> PETROLEUM STORAGE TANKS	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATION
<input type="checkbox"/> WATER QUALITY	<input type="checkbox"/> SEWAGE SLUDGE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE	<input type="checkbox"/> RADIOACTIVE WASTE	<input type="checkbox"/> DRY CLEANER REGISTRATION
<p>SITE WHERE VIOLATION OCCURRED: 2 miles north of Falfurrias on County Road 410, Jim Wells County</p> <p>TYPE OF OPERATION: unauthorized municipal solid waste disposal site</p> <p>SMALL BUSINESS: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>OTHER SIGNIFICANT MATTERS: There are no complaints. There is no record of additional pending enforcement actions regarding this facility location. The Respondent owes \$2,700 in past-due administrative penalties (2006-0078-MSW-E).</p> <p>INTERESTED PARTIES: No one other than the ED and the Respondent expressed an interest in this matter.</p> <p>COMMENTS RECEIVED: The <i>Texas Register</i> comment period expired on March 23, 2009. No comments were received.</p> <p>CONTACTS AND MAILING LIST: TCEQ Attorney: Ms. Jennifer Cook, Litigation Division, MC 175, (512) 239-1873 Ms. Lena Roberts, Litigation Division, MC 175, (512) 239-0019 TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Mr. Michael Meyer, Waste Enforcement Section, MC 128 , (512) 239-4492 TCEQ Regional Contact: Mr. Brad Genzer, Corpus Christi Regional Office, MC R-14, (361) 825-3106 Respondent: Mr. Jesus Garcia, 561 County Road 410, Falfurrias, Texas 78355</p>		

VIOLATION SUMMARY CHART:

VIOLATION INFORMATION	PENALTY CONSIDERATIONS	CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TAKEN/REQUIRED
<p>Type of Investigation:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Complaint <input type="checkbox"/> Routine <input checked="" 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: March 4, 2008</p> <p>Date of NOE Relating to this Case: March 14, 2008</p> <p>Background Facts: The EDPRP was filed October 9, 2008, and mailed to the Respondent via certified mail, return receipt requested, and via first class mail, postage prepaid. According to the return receipt "green card," the Respondent received notice of the EDPRP on October 11, 2008, as evidenced by the signature on the card. The Respondent failed to answer the EDPRP, failed to request a hearing, and failed to schedule a settlement conference.</p> <p>Current Compliance Status: The Respondent owes \$2,700 in past-due administrative penalties (2006-0078-MSW-E) for the same violation documented during an investigation June 7, 2005. The total assessed penalty was \$3,000. The Respondent made 3 payments of \$100 from June 2006 to August 2006, then ceased to make further payments. The TCEQ Financial Administration Division referred the past-due amount to a collection agency, however, on March 6, 2009, the debt was deemed by the collection agency to be uncollectible.</p> <p>A companion case against the waste transporter was approved at the August 6, 2008, agenda. The \$4,200 penalty from the companion case has not been paid.</p> <p>MSW: Failed to prevent the unauthorized disposal of municipal solid waste [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 330.15(c), and TCEQ Default Order 2006-0078-MSW-E, Ordering Provision Nos. 2.a., b., and c.</p>	<p>Total Assessed: \$3,900</p> <p>Total Deferred: \$0 <input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Order <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Inability to Pay <input type="checkbox"/> SEP Conditional Offset</p> <p>Total Due to General Revenue: \$3,900</p> <p>This is a Default Order. The Respondent has not actually paid any of the assessed penalty but will be required to do so under the terms of this Order.</p> <p>Site Compliance History Classification <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p>Person Compliance History Classification <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p>Major Source: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2002</p>	<p>Ordering Provisions:</p> <p>The Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Within 30 days: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Remove and properly dispose of all municipal solid waste at the Site; and b. Submit the past-due administrative penalty for docket number 2006-0078-MSW-E, including any associated penalties and interest. 2. Within 45 days, submit written certification demonstrating compliance.



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

PCW Revision February 29, 2008

TCEQ

DATES	Assigned	17-Mar-2008	Screening	24-Mar-2008	EPA Due	
	PCW	10-Dec-2008				

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION	
Respondent	Jesus Garcia
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.	RN104688874
Facility/Site Region	14-Corpus Christi
Major/Minor Source	Minor

CASE INFORMATION			
Enf./Case ID No.	28008	No. of Violations	1
Docket No.	2008-0646-MSW-E	Order Type	Findings
Media Program(s)	Municipal Solid Waste	Enf. Coordinator	Michael Meyer
Multi-Media		EC's Team	Enforcement Team 7
Admin. Penalty \$	Limit Minimum	\$0	Maximum
			\$10,000

Penalty Calculation Section

TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties) *Subtotal 1* **\$3,000**

ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

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

Compliance History 30% Enhancement *Subtotals 2, 3, & 7* **\$900**

Notes: The Respondent has had one Findings Default Order during the previous five years. In addition there is an upward adjustment of 10 percent for the Respondent's person classification as a poor performer.

Culpability No 0% Enhancement *Subtotal 4* **\$0**

Notes: The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.

Good Faith Effort to Comply 0% Reduction *Subtotal 5* **\$0**

	Before NOV	NOV to EDP RP/Settlement Offer
Extraordinary		
Ordinary		
N/A	X	(mark with x)

Notes: The Respondent does not meet the good faith criteria.

Total EB Amounts \$282
Approx. Cost of Compliance \$4,320
0% Enhancement* *Subtotal 6* **\$0**
*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7 *Final Subtotal* **\$3,900**

OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE 0% Adjustment **\$0**

Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes:

Final Penalty Amount **\$3,900**

STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT *Final Assessed Penalty* **\$3,900**

DEFERRAL 0% Reduction Adjustment **\$0**

Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage. (Enter number only; e.g. 20 for 20% reduction.)

Notes:

No deferral is recommended for Findings Orders.

PAYABLE PENALTY **\$3,900**

Screening Date 24-Mar-2008

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PCW

Respondent Jesus Garcia

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

Case ID No. 28008

PCW Revision February 29, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN104688874

Media [Statute] Municipal Solid Waste

Enf. Coordinator Michael Meyer

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 (number of NOVs meeting criteria)	0	0%
	Other written NOVs	0	0%
Orders	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	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 (number of judgments or consent decrees meeting criteria)	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 (number of counts)	0	0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	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 (number of audits for which notices were submitted)	0	0%
	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which violations were disclosed)	0	0%
<i>Please Enter Yes or No</i>			
Other	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) 20%

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

No

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3) 0%

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

Poor Performer

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) 10%

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

The Respondent has had one Findings Default Order during the previous five years. In addition there is an upward adjustment of 10 percent for the Respondent's person classification as a poor performer.

Total Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7) 30%

Screening Date 24-Mar-2008

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PCW

Respondent Jesus Garcia

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

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PCW Revision February 29, 2008

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Media [Statute] Municipal Solid Waste

Enf. Coordinator Michael Meyer

Violation Number

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 330.15 (c), and Ordering Provision Nos. 2.a., b. and c., TCEQ Default Order 2006-0078-MSW-E, effective July 13, 2007

Violation Description

Failed to prevent the unauthorized disposal of municipal solid waste, as documented during an investigation conducted on March 4, 2008. Specifically, the investigator documented stockpiled debris which consisted of concrete, farm equipment, and an above ground storage tank at the Site. The investigator noted that this debris, which was estimated at approximately 150 to 160 cubic yards, was the same debris observed during the August 2005 investigation and that it did not appear that any additional municipal solid waste had been stored, processed or disposed of at the Site.

Base Penalty

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

Release	Harm		
	Major	Moderate	Minor
Actual			X
Potential			

Percent

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor

Percent

Matrix Notes

Human health and the environment has been exposed to insignificant amounts of pollutants which do not exceed protective levels.

Adjustment

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events

Number of violation days

mark only one with an x	daily	
	monthly	
	quarterly	X
	semiannual	
	annual	
	single event	

Violation Base Penalty

Three quarterly events are recommended from the July 13, 2007 effective date of the Default Order to the March 24, 2008 screening date.

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 Jesus Garcia
Case ID No. 28008
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Media Municipal Solid Waste
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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No commas or \$

Delayed Costs

Equipment				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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	\$4,320	13-Jul-2007	31-Oct-2008	1.3	\$282	n/a	\$282
Permit Costs				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to remove and properly dispose of an estimated 150 to 160 cubic yards of municipal solid waste at a cost of \$27 per cubic yard for disposal. The Date Required is the effective date of July 13, 2007 Default Order and the Final Date is the estimated date of compliance.

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

\$4,320

TOTAL

\$282

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN
ENFORCEMENT ACTION
CONCERNING
JESUS GARCIA,
RN104688874

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BEFORE THE
TEXAS COMMISSION ON
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

DEFAULT ORDER
DOCKET NO. 2008-0646-MSW-E

At its _____ agenda, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, ("Commission" or "TCEQ") considered the Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition filed pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE ch. 7, TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 361, and the rules of the TCEQ, which requests appropriate relief, including the imposition of an administrative penalty and corrective action of the respondent. The respondent made the subject of this Order is Jesus Garcia ("Mr. Garcia").

The Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Mr. Garcia operates an unauthorized municipal solid waste disposal operation located 2 miles north of Falfurrias on County Road 410, Jim Wells County, Texas (the "Site").
2. The Site involves the management and/or disposal of municipal solid waste as defined in TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 361.
3. During an inspection on March 4, 2008, a TCEQ Corpus Christi Regional Office investigator documented that Mr. Garcia failed to prevent the unauthorized disposal of municipal solid waste. Specifically, the investigator documented stockpiled debris which consisted of concrete, farm equipment, and an above ground storage tank at the Site. The investigator noted that this debris, which was estimated at approximately 150 to 160 cubic yards, was the same debris observed during the August 2005 investigation and that it did not appear that any additional municipal solid waste had been stored, processed, or disposed of at the Site.
4. Mr. Garcia received notice of the violation on or about March 19, 2008.
5. The Executive Director filed the "Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition Recommending that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enter an Enforcement

Order Assessing an Administrative Penalty Against and Requiring Certain Actions of Jesus Garcia” (the “EDPRP”) in the TCEQ Chief Clerk’s office on October 9, 2008.

6. By letter dated October 9, 2008, sent via certified mail, return receipt requested, and via first class mail, postage prepaid, the Executive Director served Mr. Garcia with notice of the EDPRP. According to the return receipt “green card”, Mr. Garcia received notice of the EDPRP on October 11, 2008, as evidenced by the signature on the card.
7. More than 20 days have elapsed since Mr. Garcia received notice of the EDPRP, provided by the Executive Director. Mr. Garcia failed to file an answer to the EDPRP, failed to request a hearing, and failed to schedule a settlement conference.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. As evidenced by Finding of Fact Nos. 1 and 2, Mr. Garcia is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEQ pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE ch. 7, TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 361, and the rules of the Commission.
2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 3., Mr. Garcia, failed to prevent the unauthorized disposal of municipal solid waste, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 330.15(c), and TCEQ Default Order 2006-0078-MSW-E, Ordering Provision Nos. 2.a., b., and c.
3. As evidenced by Finding of Fact Nos. 5 and 6, the Executive Director timely served Mr. Garcia with proper notice of the EDPRP, as required by TEX. WATER CODE § 7.055 and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.104(a).
4. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 7, Mr. Garcia has failed to file a timely answer to the EDPRP, as required by TEX. WATER CODE § 7.056 and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.105. Pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 7.057 and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.106, the Commission may enter a Default Order against Mr. Garcia and assess the penalty recommended by the Executive Director.
5. Pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 7.051, the Commission has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against Mr. Garcia for violations of the Texas Water Code and the Texas Health and Safety Code, within the Commission’s jurisdiction, for violations of rules adopted under such statutes, or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
6. An administrative penalty in the amount of three thousand nine hundred dollars (\$3,900.00) is justified by the facts recited in this Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in TEX. WATER CODE § 7.053.

7. TEX. WATER CODE §§ 5.102 and 7.002 authorize the Commission to issue orders and make determinations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the statutes within its jurisdiction.

ORDERING PROVISIONS

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ORDERS that:

1. Mr. Garcia is assessed an administrative penalty in the amount of three thousand nine hundred dollars (\$3,900.00) for violations of state statutes and TCEQ rules. The payment of this administrative penalty and Mr. Garcia's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Order completely resolve the matters set forth by this Order in this action. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective actions or penalties for other violations which are not raised here. All checks submitted to pay the penalty imposed by this Order shall be made out to the "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality". The administrative penalty assessed by this Order shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Order and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Jesus Garcia; Docket No. 2008-0646-MSW-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. Mr. Garcia shall undertake the following technical requirements:
 - a. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Order, Mr. Garcia shall remove and properly dispose of all municipal solid waste at the Site;
 - b. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Order, Mr. Garcia shall submit the assessed administrative penalty including any associated penalties and interest for Administrative Order Docket No. 2006-0078-MSW-E, with the notation "Jesus Garcia; Docket No. 2006-0078-MSW-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section
Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

P.O. Box 13088
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

- c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Order, Mr. Garcia shall submit written certification as described below, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provisions 2.a. and 2.b. The certification shall be notarized by a State of Texas Notary Public and include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The certification shall be submitted to:

Order Compliance Team
Enforcement Division, MC 149A
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

with a copy to:

Brad Genzer, Waste Section Manager
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Corpus Christi Regional Office
6300 Ocean Drive, Suite 1200, Unit 5839
Corpus Christi, Texas 78412-5839

3. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
4. The provisions of this Order shall apply to and be binding upon Mr. Garcia. Mr. Garcia is ordered to give notice of this Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Site operations referenced in this Order.

5. If Mr. Garcia fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, Mr. Garcia's failure to comply is not a violation of this Order. Mr. Garcia shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. Mr. Garcia shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after Mr. Garcia becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
6. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by Mr. Garcia shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until Mr. Garcia receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.
7. The Executive Director may refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings without notice to Mr. Garcia if the Executive Director determines that Mr. Garcia has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Order.
8. This Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Order, whichever is later.
9. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this Order to each of the parties. By law, the effective date of this Order shall be the date the Order is final, as provided by 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.106(d) and TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2001.144.

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SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission

AFFIDAVIT OF JENNIFER COOK

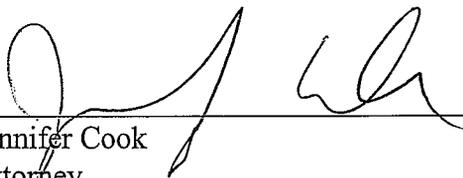
STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

“My name is Jennifer Cook. I am of sound mind, capable of making this affidavit, and the facts stated in this affidavit are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

On behalf of the Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, I filed the “Executive Director’s Preliminary Report and Petition Recommending that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enter an Enforcement Order Assessing an Administrative Penalty Against and Requiring Certain Actions of Jesus Garcia” (the “EDPRP”) was filed with the Office of the Chief Clerk on October 9, 2008.

I sent the EDPRP to Mr. Garcia at his last known address on October 9, 2008 via certified mail, return receipt requested, and via first class mail, postage prepaid. According to the return receipt, Mr. Garcia received notice of the EDPRP on October 11, 2008, as evidenced by the signature on the card.

More than 20 days have elapsed since Mr. Garcia received notice of the EDPRP. Mr. Garcia failed to file an answer to the EDPRP, failed to request a hearing, and failed to schedule a settlement conference”.

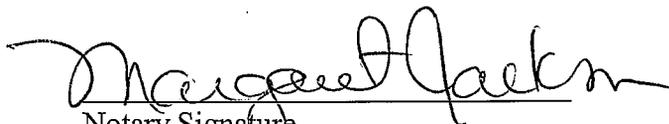


Jennifer Cook
Attorney
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Jennifer Cook, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same for the purposes and consideration herein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 18th day of December, A.D., 2008.





Notary Signature