

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER**

**DOCKET NO.:** 2009-1824-MLM-E **TCEQ ID:** RN105807820 **CASE NO.:** 38669  
**RESPONDENT NAME:** Patrick Billy Whitman dba Whitman Construction and Equipment

<b>ORDER TYPE:</b>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1660 AGREED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> FINDINGS AGREED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> FINDINGS ORDER FOLLOWING SOAH HEARING
<input 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	
<b>CASE TYPE:</b>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AIR	<input checked="" 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><b>SITE WHERE VIOLATION(S) OCCURRED:</b> Whitman Construction and Equipment, 14781 Highway 326, Sour Lake, Hardin County</p> <p><b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> Unauthorized disposal site</p> <p><b>SMALL BUSINESS:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>OTHER SIGNIFICANT MATTERS:</b> A complaint was received on September 25, 2009 alleging the Respondent brought in waste and burned it. There is no record of additional pending enforcement actions regarding this facility location.</p> <p><b>INTERESTED PARTIES:</b> A complaint was received, but the complainant has not expressed a desire to protest this action or to speak at Agenda.</p> <p><b>COMMENTS RECEIVED:</b> The <i>Texas Register</i> comment period expired on April 12, 2010. No comments were received.</p> <p><b>CONTACTS AND MAILING LIST:</b>  <b>TCEQ Attorney/SEP Coordinator:</b> None  <b>TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:</b> Mr. Mike Pace, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 6, R-04, (817) 588-5933; Ms. Laurie Eaves, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-4495  <b>Respondent:</b> Mr. Patrick W. Whitman, Owner, Whitman Construction and Equipment, 150 West Barfield Street, Sour Lake, Texas 77659  <b>Respondent's Attorney:</b> Not represented by counsel on this enforcement matter</p>		

VIOLATION SUMMARY CHART:		
VIOLATION INFORMATION	PENALTY CONSIDERATIONS	CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TAKEN/REQUIRED
<p><b>Type of Investigation:</b>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complaint  <input type="checkbox"/> Routine  <input type="checkbox"/> Enforcement Follow-up  <input type="checkbox"/> Records Review</p> <p><b>Date(s) of Complaints Relating to this Case:</b> September 25, 2009</p> <p><b>Date of Investigation Relating to this Case:</b> September 25, 2009</p> <p><b>Date of NOE Relating to this Case:</b> October 5, 2009</p> <p><b>Background Facts:</b> This was a complaint investigation.</p> <p><b>AIR</b></p> <p>1) Failure to comply with the general prohibition on outdoor burning. Specifically, the Respondent burned approximately six cubic yards of municipal solid waste ("MSW") including brush and construction and demolition materials [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 111.201 and TEX. HEALTH &amp; SAFETY CODE § 382.085(b)].</p> <p><b>WASTE</b></p> <p>2) Failure to prevent the unauthorized disposal of MSW. Specifically, the Respondent disposed of approximately 150 cubic yards of MSW including bricks, metal, wire, fencing, foam insulation, plastic tubing, brush, and construction and demolition materials at the Site [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 330.15(e)].</p>	<p><b>Total Assessed:</b> \$1,984</p> <p><b>Total Deferred:</b> \$396  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expedited Settlement  <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Inability to Pay</p> <p><b>SEP Conditional Offset:</b> \$0</p> <p><b>Total Paid (Due) to General Revenue:</b> \$118 (remaining \$1,470 due in 14 monthly payments of \$105 each)</p> <p><b>Site Compliance History Classification</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p><b>Person Compliance History Classification</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p><b>Major Source:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>Applicable Penalty Policy:</b> September 2002</p>	<p><b>Corrective Actions Taken:</b></p> <p>The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures at the Site:</p> <p>a. Ceased disposal of additional waste at the Site on September 27, 2009; and</p> <p>b. Removed all MSW from the Site and disposed of it at an authorized facility on September 27, 2009.</p> <p><b>Ordering Provisions:</b></p> <p>The Order will require the Respondent to:</p> <p>a. Immediately upon the effective date of this Agreed Order, cease any additional unauthorized burning at the Site; and</p> <p>b. Within 15 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit written certification and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision a.</p>

Additional ID No(s): 0



# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

## ICEQ

<b>DATES</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	2-Nov-2009	<b>Screening</b>	6-Nov-2009	<b>EPA Due</b>	
	<b>PCW</b>	6-Nov-2009				

## RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION

<b>Respondent</b>	Patrick Billy Whitman dba Whitman Construction and Equipment		
<b>Reg. Ent. Ref. No.</b>	RN105807820		
<b>Facility/Site Region</b>	10-Beaumont	<b>Major/Minor Source</b>	Minor

## CASE INFORMATION

<b>Enf./Case ID No.</b>	38669	<b>No. of Violations</b>	2
<b>Docket No.</b>	2009-1824-MLM-E	<b>Order Type</b>	1660
<b>Media Program(s)</b>	Municipal Solid Waste	<b>Government/Non-Profit</b>	No
<b>Multi-Media</b>	Air	<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	Mike Pace
		<b>EC's Team</b>	Enforcement Team 6
<b>Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum</b>	\$0	<b>Maximum</b>	\$10,000

## Penalty Calculation Section

**TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)** **Subtotal 1**

### ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

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

**Compliance History** **Subtotals 2, 3, & 7**

Notes

**Culpability** **Subtotal 4**

Notes

**Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments** **Subtotal 5**

**Economic Benefit** **Subtotal 6**

Total EB Amounts	\$135	*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount
Approx. Cost of Compliance	\$2,014	

**SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7** **Final Subtotal**

**OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE** **Adjustment**

Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes

**Final Penalty Amount**

**STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT** **Final Assessed Penalty**

**DEFERRAL** **Adjustment**

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

Notes

**PAYABLE PENALTY**

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Enf. Coordinator Mike Pace

### 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)	1	5%
	Other written NOVs	0	0%
Orders	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	0	0%
	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 judgements 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) 5%

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

No

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3) 0%

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

Average Performer

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) 0%

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

Enhancement for one NOV with same or similar violations.

Total Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7) 5%

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Violation Number 1

Rule Cite(s)

30 Tex. Admin. Code § 111.201 and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b)

Violation Description

Failed to comply with the general prohibition on outdoor burning, as documented during an investigation conducted on September 25, 2009. Specifically, the Respondent burned approximately six cubic yards of municipal solid waste ("MSW") including brush and construction and demolition materials.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

Release	Harm			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
Actual			X	10%
Potential				

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
				0%

Matrix Notes

Human health and the environment has been exposed to insignificant amounts of pollutants which do not exceed levels that are protective of human health or environmental receptors as a result of the violation.

Adjustment \$9,000

\$1,000

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 Number of violation days 1

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

Violation Base Penalty \$1,000

One single event is recommended.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

	0.0% Reduction	
	Before NOV	NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer
Extraordinary		
Ordinary		
N/A	X	(mark with x)

Notes The Respondent does not meet the good faith criteria for this violation.

Violation Subtotal \$1,000

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Estimated EB Amount \$134

Statutory Limit Test

Violation Final Penalty Total \$1,128

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$1,128

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** Patrick Billy Whitman dba Whitman Construction and Equipment  
**Case ID No.** 38869  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN105807820  
**Media** Municipal Solid Waste  
**Violation No.** 1

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
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Item Description: No commas or \$

**Delayed Costs**

Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs

**Avoided Costs**

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

Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]	\$134	16-Sep-2009	25-Sep-2009	0.00	\$0	\$134	\$134
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Estimated-avoided cost to dispose of approximately six cubic yards of waste at an authorized facility instead of burning. The Date Required is the date of outdoor burning and the Final Date is the investigation date.

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$134

**TOTAL**

\$134

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Enf. Coordinator Mike Pace

Violation Number 2

Rule Cite(s)

30 Tex. Admin. Code § 330.15(c)

Violation Description

Failed to prevent the unauthorized disposal of MSW, as documented during an investigation conducted on September 25, 2009. Specifically, the Respondent disposed of approximately 150 cubic yards of MSW including bricks, metal, wire, fencing, foam insulation, plastic tubing, brush, and construction and demolition materials at the Site.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR	Release	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
Actual				X	10%
Potential					

>> Programmatic Matrix

	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
					0%

Matrix Notes

Human health or the environment has been exposed to insignificant amounts of pollutants which do not exceed levels that are protective of human health or environmental receptors as a result of the violation.

Adjustment \$9,000

\$1,000

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 Number of violation days 42

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

Violation Base Penalty \$1,000

One quarterly event is recommended from the September 25, 2009 investigation date to the November 8, 2009 screening date.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

25.0% Reduction \$250

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

Notes

The Respondent came into compliance on September 27, 2009 prior to the NOE dated October 5, 2009.

Violation Subtotal \$750

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$1

Violation Final Penalty Total \$858

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$858

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** Patrick Billy Whitman dba Whitman Construction and Equipment  
**Case ID No.** 38669  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN105807820  
**Media** Municipal Solid Waste  
**Violation No.** 2

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
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Item Description: No commas or \$.

**Delayed Costs**

Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal	\$1,880	25-Sep-2009	27-Sep-2009	0.01	\$1	n/a	\$1
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to dispose of approximately 150 cubic yards of waste at an authorized landfill. The Date Required is the Investigation date and the Final Date is the compliance date.

**Avoided Costs**

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

Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Approx. Cost of Compliance	\$1,880	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$1
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Sites Outside of Texas

N/A

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN  
ENFORCEMENT ACTION  
CONCERNING  
PATRICK BILLY WHITMAN  
DBA WHITMAN CONSTRUCTION  
AND EQUIPMENT  
RN105807820

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BEFORE THE  
  
TEXAS COMMISSION ON  
  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER  
DOCKET NO. 2009-1824-MLM-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 Patrick Billy Whitman dba Whitman Construction and Equipment ("the Respondent") under the authority of TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE chs. 361 and 382 and TEX. WATER CODE ch. 7. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent appear before the Commission and together stipulate that:

1. The Respondent operates an unauthorized disposal site at 14781 Highway 326 in Sour Lake, Hardin County, Texas (the "Site").
2. The Site involves or involved the management of municipal solid waste ("MSW") as defined in TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 361. The Site consists of one or more sources as defined in TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 382.003(12).
3. The Commission and the Respondent agree that the Commission has jurisdiction to enter this Agreed Order, and that the Respondent is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
4. The Respondent received notice of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations") on or about October 10, 2009.
5. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Agreed Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
6. An administrative penalty in the amount of One Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars (\$1,984) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II

("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid One Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$118) of the administrative penalty and Three Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars (\$396) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, including the payment schedule, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty.

The remaining amount of One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$1,470) of the administrative penalty shall be payable in 14 monthly payments of One Hundred Five Dollars (\$105) each. The next monthly payment shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order. The subsequent payments shall each be paid not later than 30 days following the due date of the previous payment until paid in full. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with the payment requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may, at the Executive Director's option, accelerate the maturity of the remaining installments, in which event the unpaid balance shall become immediately due and payable without demand or notice. In addition, the failure of the Respondent to meet the payment schedule of this Agreed Order constitutes the failure by the Respondent to timely and satisfactorily comply with all the terms of this Agreed Order.

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 the Respondent 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 the Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures at the Site:
  - a. Ceased disposal of additional waste at the Site on September 27, 2009; and
  - b. Removed all MSW from the Site and disposed of it at an authorized facility on September 27, 2009.
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 the Respondent 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 operator of the Site, the Respondent is alleged to have:

1. Failed to comply with the general prohibition on outdoor burning, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 111.201 and TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 382.085(b), as documented during an investigation conducted on September 25, 2009. Specifically, the Respondent burned approximately six cubic yards of MSW including brush and construction and demolition materials.
2. Failed to prevent the unauthorized disposal of MSW, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 330.15(c), as documented during an investigation conducted on September 25, 2009. Specifically, the Respondent disposed of approximately 150 cubic yards of MSW including bricks, metal, wire, fencing, foam insulation, plastic tubing, brush, and construction and demolition materials at the Site.

## III. DENIALS

The Respondent generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

## IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

1. It is, therefore, ordered by the TCEQ that the Respondent pay an administrative penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above. The payment of this administrative penalty and the Respondent'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: Patrick Billy Whitman dba Whitman Construction and Equipment, Docket No. 2009-1824-MLM-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. It is further ordered that the Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
  - a. Immediately upon the effective date of this Agreed Order, cease any additional unauthorized burning at the Site; and
  - b. Within 15 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit written certification as described below, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision No. 2.a. 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 fines 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:

Waste Section Manager  
Beaumont Regional Office  
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
3870 Eastex Freeway  
Beaumont, Texas 77703-1830

3. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Site operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
4. If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Agreed Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Agreed Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
5. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Agreed Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Agreed Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.
6. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent 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.
7. This Agreed Order may be executed in multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single original instrument. Any executed signature page to this Agreed Order may be transmitted by facsimile transmission to the other parties, which shall constitute an original signature for all purposes under this Agreed Order.

8. Under 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(b), the effective date is the date of hand-delivery of the Order to the Respondent, or three days after the date on which the Commission mails notice of the Order to the Respondent, whichever is earlier. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this Agreed Order to each of the parties.

## SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

\_\_\_\_\_  
For the Commission

John Sredler  
For the Executive Director

3/26/2010  
Date

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

- A negative impact on compliance history;
- Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted;
- 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;
- Automatic referral to the Attorney General's Office of any future enforcement actions; and
- TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.

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

Patrick W. Whitman  
Signature

10-1-2010  
Date

Patrick W. Whitman  
Name (Printed or typed)

owner  
Title

Authorized Representative of  
Patrick Billy Whitman dba Whitman Construction and Equipment

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.