

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER Page 1 of 2
DOCKET NO.: 2008-0467-PST-E **TCEQ ID:** RN101886802 **CASE NO.:** 35569
RESPONDENT NAME: Jimmy O. Curtice

ORDER TYPE:		
<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	
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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE	<input type="checkbox"/> RADIOACTIVE WASTE	<input type="checkbox"/> DRY CLEANER REGISTRATION
<p>SITE WHERE VIOLATION(S) OCCURRED: 5 B Grocery, 36004 U.S. Highway 96 South, Buna, Jasper County</p> <p>TYPE OF OPERATION: Property with underground storage tanks ("USTs")</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.</p> <p>INTERESTED PARTIES: No one other than the ED and the Respondent has expressed an interest in this matter.</p> <p>COMMENTS RECEIVED: The <i>Texas Register</i> comment period expired on July 5, 2010. No comments were received.</p> <p>CONTACTS AND MAILING LIST: TCEQ Attorney/SEP Coordinator: None TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Mr. Rajesh Acharya, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 6, MC 128, (512) 239-0577; Ms. Laurie Eaves, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-4495 Respondent: Mr. Jimmy O. Curtice, 36004 U.S. Highway 96 South, Buna, Texas 77612 Respondent's Attorney: Not represented by counsel on this enforcement matter</p>		

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(s) of Complaints Relating to this Case: None</p> <p>Date of Investigation Relating to this Case: January 11, 2008</p> <p>Date of NOV/NOE Relating to this Case: March 5, 2008 (NOE)</p> <p>Background Facts: This was a routine investigation.</p> <p>WASTE</p> <p>Failure to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed implementation date, a UST system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirement [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.47(a)(2)].</p>	<p>Total Assessed: \$7,875</p> <p>Total Deferred: \$1,575 <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: \$6,300</p> <p>Site Compliance History Classification <input type="checkbox"/> High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p>Person Compliance History Classification <input type="checkbox"/> High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Average <input 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 Order will require the Respondent to:</p> <p>a. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, permanently remove the UST system from service; and</p> <p>b. Within 45 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): 1867



Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

PCW Revision February 29, 2008

TCEQ

DATES	Assigned	10-Mar-2008	Screening	19-Mar-2008	EPA Due	
	PCW	12-Apr-2010				

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION	
Respondent	Jimmy O. Curtice
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.	RN101886802
Facility/Site Region	10-Beaumont
Major/Minor Source	Minor

CASE INFORMATION			
Enf./Case ID No.	35569	No. of Violations	1
Docket No.	2008-0467-PST-E	Order Type	1660
Media Program(s)	Petroleum Storage Tank	Enf. Coordinator	Rajesh Acharya
Multi-Media		EC's Team	Enforcement Team 6
Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum	\$0	Maximum	\$10,000

Penalty Calculation Section

TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)	Subtotal 1	\$7,500
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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.

Compliance History	5% Enhancement	Subtotals 2, 3, & 7	\$375
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Notes Enhancement for one NOV with same or similar violations.

Culpability	No	0% Enhancement	Subtotal 4	\$0
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Notes The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.

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

Total EB Amounts	\$146	0% Enhancement*	Subtotal 6	\$0
Approx. Cost of Compliance	\$3,412	<i>*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount</i>		

SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7	Final Subtotal	\$7,875
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OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE

	0%	Adjustment	\$0
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Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes

Final Penalty Amount \$7,875

STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT

Final Assessed Penalty \$7,875

DEFERRAL

	20%	Reduction	Adjustment	-\$1,575
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Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage. (Enter number only; e.g. 20 for 20% reduction.)

Notes

Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

PAYABLE PENALTY

\$6,300

Screening Date 19-Mar-2008

Docket No. 2008-0467-PST-E

PCW

Respondent Jimmy O. Curtice

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

Case ID No. 35569

PCW Revision February 29, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101886802

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Rajesh Acharya

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%

Screening Date	19-Mar-2008	Docket No.	2008-0467-PST-E	PCW
Respondent	Jimmy O. Curtice	<i>Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)</i>		
Case ID No.	35569	<i>PCW Revision February 29, 2008</i>		
Reg. Ent. Reference No.	RN101888802			
Media [Statute]	Petroleum Storage Tank			
Enf. Coordinator	Rajesh Acharya			
Violation Number	1			
Rule Cite(s)	30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.47(a)(2)			
Violation Description	Failed to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed implementation date, an underground storage tank ("UST") system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirement.			
Base Penalty				\$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR	Harm			
	Release	Major	Moderate	Minor
	Actual			
	Potential	x		
				Percent 25%

>> Programmatic Matrix

	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	
					Percent 0%

Matrix Notes
Human health or the environment could be exposed to pollutants which would exceed levels that are protective of human health and environmental receptors as a result of the violation.

Adjustment \$7,500

\$2,500

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 3 68 Number of violation days

<i>mark only one with an x</i>	daily	
	monthly	x
	quarterly	
	semiannual	
	annual	
	single event	

Violation Base Penalty \$7,500

Three monthly events are recommended based on documentation of the violation during the January 11, 2008 investigation date to the March 19, 2008 screening date.

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$146

Violation Final Penalty Total \$7,875

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$7,875

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent: Jimmy O. Curtice
Case ID No.: 35569
Reg. Ent. Reference No.: RN101886802
Media: Petroleum Storage Tank
Violation No.: 1

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	One-time Costs	EB Amount
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				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Permit Costs				0.0	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$3,412	11-Jan-2008	19-Nov-2008	0.9	\$146	n/a	\$146

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to permanently remove from service three USTs with a combined capacity of 4,550 gallons at \$0.75 per gallon. Date Required is the investigation date. Final Date is the estimated compliance date.

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

\$3,412

TOTAL

\$146

Compliance History

Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator:	CN602870545 CURTICE, JIMMY O	Classification: AVERAGE	Rating: 1.50
Regulated Entity:	RN101886802 5 B GROCERY	Classification: AVERAGE	Site Rating: 1.50
ID Number(s):	PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION	REGISTRATION	1867
Location:	36004 US HIGHWAY 96 S, BUNA, TX, 77612	Rating Date: September 01 07	Repeat Violator: NO
TCEQ Region:	REGION 10 - BEAUMONT		
Date Compliance History Prepared:	March 11, 2008		
Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:	Enforcement		
Compliance Period:	March 11, 2003 to March 11, 2008		

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

Name: Ross Fife Phone: (512) 239-2541

Site Compliance History Components

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| 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? | Yes |
| 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
 - 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.)

1	01/25/2007	(535013)
N/A		
2	03/05/2008	(617340)
 - E. Written notices of violations (NOV). (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)

Date:	01/25/2007	(535013)	
Self Report?	NO	Classification:	Moderate
Citation:	30 TAC Chapter 334, SubChapter C 334.47(a)(2)		
Description:	Failure to perform the permanent removal of a UST that has not met the upgrade requirements for systems installed prior to 1988.		
 - 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
JIMMY O. CURTICE
RN101886802**

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**BEFORE THE
TEXAS COMMISSION ON
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2008-0467-PST-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 Jimmy O. Curtice ("the Respondent") under the authority of TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7 and 26. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent appear before the Commission and together stipulate that:

1. The Respondent owns property with underground storage tanks ("USTs") at 36004 U.S. Highway 96 South in Buna, Jasper County, Texas (the "Site").
2. The Respondent's four USTs are not exempt or excluded from regulation under the Texas Water Code or the rules of the Commission.
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 March 10, 2008.
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 Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$7,875) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid Six Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$6,300) of the administrative penalty and One Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$1,575) is

deferred contingent upon the Respondent'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 the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may require the Respondent 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 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 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.
10. 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.
11. 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 the owner of the Site, the Respondent is alleged to have failed to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed implementation date, a UST system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirement, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.47(a)(2), as documented in a compliance investigation conducted January 11, 2008.

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: Jimmy O. Curtice, Docket No. 2008-0467-PST-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. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, permanently remove the UST system from service, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.55; and
 - b. Within 45 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 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:

Waste Section, Manager
Beaumont Regional Office
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
3870 Eastex Freeway
Beaumont, Texas 77703-1892

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 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.
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.

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SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

 For the Commission



 For the Executive Director

 Date 6/17/2010

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.



 Signature

 Date 5-6-2010

JIMMY O. CURTICE

 Name (Printed or typed)
 Authorized Representative of
 Jimmy O. Curtice

 Title 5-6-2010

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.

