

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER
DOCKET NO. 2010-0197-PST-E RN102468402 CASE NO. 39144
RESPONDENT NAME: S.S.O.S. INVESTMENTS INT'L INC.

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 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 VIOLATIONS OCCURRED: 3502 5th Avenue South, Texas City, Galveston County</p> <p>TYPE OF OPERATION: former convenience store with inactive underground storage tanks</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 expressed an interest in this matter.</p> <p>COMMENTS RECEIVED: The <i>Texas Register</i> comment period expired September 6, 2010. No comments were received.</p> <p>CONTACTS AND MAILING LIST: TCEQ Attorney: Mr. Marshall Coover, Litigation Division, MC 175, (512) 239-0620 Ms. Lena Roberts, Litigation Division, MC 175, (512) 239-3400 TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Mr. Keith Frank, Waste Enforcement Section, MC 128, (512) 239-1203 TCEQ Regional Contact: Ms. Nicole Bealle, Houston Regional Office, MC R-12, (713) 767-3623 Respondent: Mr. Raees Patoli, Director, S.S.O.S. Investments INT'L Inc., 13822 Blue Vista Drive, Sugar Land, Texas 77478 Respondent's Attorney: Not represented by counsel on this enforcement matter.</p>		

VIOLATION SUMMARY CHART:		
VIOLATION INFORMATION	PENALTY CONSIDERATIONS	CORRECTIVE ACTIONS REQUIRED
<p>Type of Investigation:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Complaint <input type="checkbox"/> Routine <input type="checkbox"/> Enforcement Follow-up <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Records Review</p> <p>Date of Complaint Relating to this Case: None</p> <p>Date of Investigation Relating to this Case: December 17, 2009</p> <p>Date of NOE Relating to this Case: January 30, 2010</p> <p>Background Facts: The EDPRP was filed on June 1, 2010, and mailed to Respondent via certified mail, return receipt requested, and via first class mail, postage prepaid. According to the return receipt "green card," Respondent received notice of the EDPRP on June 3, 2010. Respondent failed to file an answer, failed to request a hearing, and failed to schedule a settlement conference.</p> <p>Current Compliance Status: Respondent has not yet submitted documentation to certify compliance with the technical requirements. Respondent does not have a delivery certificate.</p> <p>PST:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Failed to notify the agency of any change or additional information regarding the USTs within 30 days of the occurrence of the change [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.7(d)(3)]. Failed to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the upgrade implementation date, a UST system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirements [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.47(a)(2)]. 	<p>Total Assessed: \$6,900</p> <p>Total Deferred: \$0</p> <p><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: \$6,900</p> <p>This is a Default Order. 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 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>Respondent's UST fuel delivery certificate is revoked immediately. Respondent may submit an application for a new fuel delivery certificate only after Respondent has complied with all of the requirements of these Ordering Provisions.</p> <p>Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Within 10 days, send its UST fuel delivery certificate to TCEQ. Within 30 days, permanently remove the UST system from service. Within 45 days, submit an amended registration to indicate the operational status of the UST system. Within 60 days, submit written certification demonstrating compliance.



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

TCEQ

DATES	Assigned	1-Feb-2010			
	PCW	9-May-2010	Screening	10-Feb-2010	EPA Due

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION					
Respondent	S.S.O.S. Investments INT'L Inc.				
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.	RN102468402				
Facility/Site Region	12-Houston	Major/Minor Source	Minor		

CASE INFORMATION					
Enf./Case ID No.	39144	No. of Violations	2		
Docket No.	2010-0197-PST-E	Order Type	Findings		
Media Program(s)	Petroleum Storage Tank	Government/Non-Profit	No		
Multi-Media		Enf. Coordinator	Keith Frank		
		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	\$6,000
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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	15.0% Enhancement	Subtotals 2, 3, & 7	\$900
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Notes	Enhancement due to three previous NOVs with same or similar violations.
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Culpability	No	0.0% Enhancement	Subtotal 4	\$0
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Notes	The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.
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Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments	Subtotal 5	\$0
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Economic Benefit	0.0% Enhancement*	Subtotal 6	\$0
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Total EB Amounts	\$5,697	*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount
Approx. Cost of Compliance	\$20,350	

SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7	Final Subtotal	\$6,900
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OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE	0.0%	Adjustment	\$0
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Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes	
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Final Penalty Amount	\$6,900
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STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT	Final Assessed Penalty	\$6,900
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DEFERRAL	0.0%	Reduction	Adjustment	\$0
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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.
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PAYABLE PENALTY	\$6,900
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Screening Date 10-Feb-2010

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PCW

Respondent S.S.O.S. Investments INT'L Inc.

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PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102468402

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Keith Frank

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)	3	15%
	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) 15%

>> 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 due to three previous NOVs with same or similar violations.

Total Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7) 15%

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Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

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Violation Number 1

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.7(d)(3)

Violation Description Failed to notify the agency of any change or additional information regarding the underground storage tanks ("USTs") within 30 days of the occurrence of the change. Specifically, the registration was not updated to reflect the current operational status of the UST system.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR	Release	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
	Actual				0%
	Potential				

>> Programmatic Matrix

Matrix Notes	Falsification	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
		x			10%
100% of the rule requirement was not met.					

Adjustment \$9,000

\$1,000

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 Number of violation days 55

daily	
weekly	
monthly	
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	x

mark only one with an x

Violation Base Penalty \$1,000

One single event is recommended.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0% Reduction \$0

	Before NOV	NOV to EDRP/Settlement
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

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$5

Violation Final Penalty Total \$1,150

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$1,150

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent S.S.O.S. Investments INT'L Inc.
Case ID No. 39144
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102468402
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	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
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)	\$100	17-Dec-2009	13-Nov-2010	0.91	\$5	n/a	\$5

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to accurately prepare and submit an updated UST registration and self-certification form. Date Required is the record review date. Final Date is the estimated date of compliance.

Avoided Costs

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

Disposal				0.00	\$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

\$100

TOTAL

\$5

Screening Date 10-Feb-2010 **Docket No.** 2010-0197-PST-E **PCW**
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Case ID No. 39144 *PCW Revision October 30, 2008*
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102468402
Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank
Enf. Coordinator Keith Frank

Violation Number
Rule Cite(s)
Violation Description

Base Penalty

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR	Release	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
	Actual	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="25%"/>
	Potential	<input type="text" value="x"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

>> Programmatic Matrix

	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="0%"/>

Matrix Notes

Adjustment

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events Number of violation days

mark only one with an x

daily	<input type="text"/>
weekly	<input type="text"/>
monthly	<input type="text" value="x"/>
quarterly	<input type="text"/>
semiannual	<input type="text"/>
annual	<input type="text"/>
single event	<input type="text"/>

Violation Base Penalty

Good Faith Efforts to Comply Reduction

	Before NOV	NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer
Extraordinary	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Ordinary	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
N/A	<input type="text" value="x"/>	(mark with x)

Notes

Violation Subtotal

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 S.S.O.S. Investments INT'L Inc.
Case ID No. 39144
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102468402
Media Petroleum Storage Tank
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
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)	\$20,250	1-Apr-2005	13-Nov-2010	5.62	\$5,692	n/a	\$5,692

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to permanently remove from service four USTs with a combined capacity of 27,000 gallons at \$0.75 per gallon. Date Required is the date of ownership change. Final Date is the estimated date of compliance.

Avoided Costs

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

Disposal				0.00	\$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

\$20,250

TOTAL

\$5,692

Compliance History Report

Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator: CN602814733 S.S.O.S. Investments INT'L Inc. Classification: AVERAGE Rating: 2.67
Regulated Entity: RN102468402 Texas City Conoco Classification: AVERAGE Site Rating: 2.67
ID Number(s): PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION 15941
Location: 3502 5TH AVE S, TEXAS CITY, TX, 77590
TCEQ Region: REGION 12 - HOUSTON
Date Compliance History Prepared: February 08, 2010
Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement
Compliance Period: February 08, 2005 to February 08, 2010
TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding this Compliance History
Name: Keith Frank Phone: (512) 239-1203

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/operator of the site during the compliance period? Yes
3. If Yes, who is the current owner/operator? S.S.O.S Investments INT'L Inc.
4. If Yes, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? Cougar Stop, Inc.
5. When did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? 04/01/2005
6. Rating Date: 9/1/2009 Repeat Violator: NO

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	08/08/2008	(687098)
2	04/06/2009	(741324)
3	10/01/2009	(776023)
4	01/29/2010	(786142)

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

Date: 08/08/2008 (687098) CN602814733

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 334, SubChapter A 334.7(d)(3)

Description: 30 Tex. Admin. Code § Section 334.7(d)(3) - Failure to provide amended registration for any change or additional information regarding USTs within 30 days from the date of the occurrence of the change or addition, or within 30 days of the date on which the owner or operator first became aware of the change or addition, as applicable.

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 334, SubChapter C 334.47(a)(2)

Description: 30 Tex. Admin. Code § Section 334.47(a)(2) - Failure to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed upgrade implementation date, an existing UST system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirements.

Date: 04/06/2009 (741324) CN602814733

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 334, SubChapter A 334.7(d)(3)

Description: 30 Tex. Admin. Code § Section 334.7(d)(3) - Failure to provide amended registration for any change or additional information regarding USTs within 30 days from the date of the occurrence of the change or addition, or within 30 days of the date on which the owner or operator first became aware of the change or addition, as applicable.

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 334, SubChapter C 334.47(a)(2)

Description: 30 Tex. Admin. Code § Section 334.47(a)(2) - Failure to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed upgrade implementation date, an existing UST system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirements.

Date: 10/01/2009 (776023) CN602814733

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 334, SubChapter A 334.7(d)(3)

Description: 30 Tex. Admin. Code § Section 334.7(d)(3) - Failure to provide amended registration for any change or additional information regarding USTs within 30 days from the date of the occurrence of the change or addition, or within 30 days of the date on which the owner or operator first became aware of the change or addition, as applicable.

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 334, SubChapter C 334.47(a)(2)

Description: 30 Tex. Admin. Code § Section 334.47(a)(2) - Failure to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed upgrade implementation date, an existing UST system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirements.

- 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	§	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
S.S.O.S. INVESTMENTS INT'L	§	
INC.;	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
RN102468402	§	

DEFAULT ORDER DOCKET NO. 2010-0197-PST-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 chs. 7 and 26 and the rules of the TCEQ, which requests appropriate relief, including the imposition of an administrative penalty, corrective action of the respondent, and revocation of the respondent’s fuel delivery certificate. The respondent made the subject of this Order is S.S.O.S. Investments INTL Inc. (“Respondent”).

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent owns four underground storage tanks (“USTs”) on property that was formerly operated as a convenience store with retail sales of gasoline located at 3502 5th Avenue South, Texas City, Gavleston County, Texas (the “Facility”). The USTs at the Facility are not exempt or excluded from regulation under the Texas Water Code or the rules of the Commission, and contain a regulated petroleum substance as defined in the rules of the TCEQ.
2. During a record review conducted on December 17, 2009, a TCEQ Houston Regional Office investigator documented that Respondent:
 - a. Failed to notify the agency of any change or additional information regarding the USTs within 30 days of the occurrence of the change. Specifically, the registration was not updated to reflect the current operational status of the UST system; and
 - b. Failed to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed upgrade implementation date, a UST system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirements.
3. Respondent received notice of the violations on or about February 4, 2010.

4. 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 S.S.O.S. Investments INT'L, Inc." (the "EDPRP") in the TCEQ Chief Clerk's office on June 1, 2010.
5. By letter dated June 1, 2010, sent via certified mail, return receipt requested, and via first class mail, postage prepaid, the Executive Director served Respondent with notice of the EDPRP. According to the return receipt "green card," Respondent received notice of the EDPRP on June 3, 2010, as evidenced by the signature on the card.
6. More than 20 days have elapsed since Respondent received notice of the EDPRP, provided by the Executive Director. Respondent 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 No. 1, Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEQ pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE ch. 26 and the rules of the Commission.
2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.a., Respondent failed to notify the agency of any change or additional information regarding the USTs within 30 days of the occurrence of the change, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.7(d)(3).
3. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.b., Respondent failed to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed upgrade implementation date, a UST system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirements, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.47(a)(2).
4. As evidenced by Findings of Fact Nos. 4 and 5, the Executive Director timely served Respondent with proper notice of the EDPRP, as required by TEX. WATER CODE § 7.055 and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.104(a).
5. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 6, Respondent failed to file a timely answer 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 Respondent and assess the penalty recommended by the Executive Director.
6. Pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 7.051, the Commission has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against Respondent for violations of the Texas Water 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.

7. An administrative penalty in the amount of six thousand nine hundred dollars (\$6,900.00) is justified by the facts recited in this Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in TEX. WATER CODE § 7.053.
8. 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.
9. Pursuant to 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(6), the Commission has authority to revoke Respondent's UST fuel delivery certificate if the Commission finds that good cause exists.
10. Good cause for revocation of Respondent's UST fuel delivery certificate exists as justified by Findings of Fact Nos. 2 and 4 through 6, and Conclusions of Law Nos. 2 through 5.

ORDERING PROVISIONS

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

1. Respondent is assessed an administrative penalty in the amount of six thousand nine hundred dollars (\$6,900.00) for violations of state statutes and the rules of the TCEQ. The payment of this administrative penalty and Respondent'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: S.S.O.S. Investments INT'L Inc.; Docket No. 2010-0197-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. Respondent's UST fuel delivery certificate is revoked immediately upon the effective date of this Order. Respondent may submit an application for a new fuel delivery certificate only after Respondent has complied with all of the requirements of this Order.
3. Within 10 days after the effective date of this Order, Respondent shall send its UST fuel delivery certificate to:

Petroleum Storage Tank Registration Team, MC 138
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

4. Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
- a. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Order, Respondent shall permanently remove the UST system from service, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.55;
 - b. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Order, Respondent shall submit an amended registration to indicate the operational status of the UST system, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.7 to:

Petroleum Storage Tank Registration Team, MC 138
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P. O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

- c. Within 60 days after the effective date of this Order, Respondent shall submit written certification and detailed supporting documentation, including photographs, receipts, and other records, to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision Nos. 4.a. and 4.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.”

Respondent shall submit the written certification and copies of documentation necessary to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision Nos. 4.a. through 4.b. 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:

Nicole Bealle, Waste Section Manager
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Houston Regional Office
5425 Polk Street, Suite H
Houston, Texas 77023-1452

5. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
6. The provisions of this Order shall apply to and be binding upon Respondent. Respondent is ordered to give notice of this Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Facility operations referenced in this Order.
7. If Respondent 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, Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Order. Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
8. 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 Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.
9. 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 Respondent if the Executive Director determines that Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Order.
10. 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.
11. 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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For the Commission

AFFIDAVIT OF MARSHALL COOVER

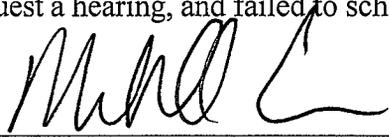
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“My name is Marshall Coover. I am of sound mind, capable of making this affidavit, and the facts stated in this affidavit are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

On behalf of the Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, 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 S.S.O.S. Investments INT’L, Inc.” (the “EDPRP”) was filed with the Office of the Chief Clerk on June 1, 2010.

The EDPRP was mailed to Respondent at its last known address on June 1, 2010, via certified mail, return receipt requested, and via first class mail, postage prepaid. According to the return receipt “green card,” Respondent received notice of the EDPRP on June 3, 2010, as evidenced by the signature on the card. The United States Postal Service returned the EDPRP sent by certified mail as “unclaimed.” The first class mail has not been returned, indicating that Respondent received notice of the EDPRP, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.104(c)(2).

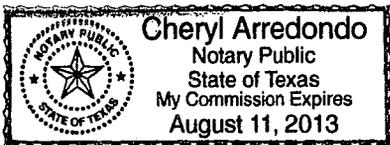
More than 20 days have elapsed since Respondent received notice of the EDPRP. Respondent failed to file an answer, failed to request a hearing, and failed to schedule a settlement conference.”



Marshall Coover, Attorney
Office of Legal Services, Litigation Division
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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

Given under my hand and seal of office this 21st day of July, A.D., 2010.



Cheryl Arredondo
Notary Signature