

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER Page 1 of 3
DOCKET NO.: 2010-0329-PST-E **TCEQ ID:** RN101433662 **CASE NO.:** 39267
RESPONDENT NAME: CONVENIENCE MART, INC. dba Little York Texaco

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: Little York Texaco, 13214 West Little York Road, Houston, Harris County</p> <p>TYPE OF OPERATION: Convenience store with the retail sales of gasoline</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 August 2, 2010. No comments were received.</p> <p>CONTACTS AND MAILING LIST: TCEQ Attorney/SEP Coordinator: None TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Mr. Clinton Sims, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 6, MC 128, (512) 239-6933; Ms. Laurie Eaves, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-4495 Respondent: Ms. Nizar N. Ali, President, CONVENIENCE MART, INC., 13214 West Little York Road, Houston, Texas 77041 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 12, 2010</p> <p>Date of NOV/NOE Relating to this Case: February 19, 2010 (NOE)</p> <p>Background Facts: This was a routine investigation.</p> <p>WASTE</p> <p>1) Failure to monitor the underground storage tanks ("UST's") for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between monitoring). Specifically, the automatic tank gauge was not functioning at the time of the investigation [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 345.50(b)(1)(A) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1)].</p> <p>2) Failure to equip each pressurized line with an automatic line leak detector capable of detecting any release from the piping system. Specifically, the super grade line leak detector was broken [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(2)(A)(i) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(a)].</p> <p>3) Failure to ensure that a legible tag, label, or marking with the UST identification number is permanently applied upon or affixed to either the top of the fill tube or to a non-removable point in the immediate area of the fill tube according to the UST registration and self-certification form [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(5)(C)].</p> <p>4) Failure to equip each tank with a valve or other device designed to automatically shut off the flow of regulated substances into the tank when the liquid level in the tank reaches no higher than 95% capacity. Specifically, overfill prevention equipment</p>	<p>Total Assessed: \$10,000</p> <p>Total Deferred: \$2,000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expedited Settlement <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Inability to Pay</p> <p>SEP Conditional Offset: \$0</p> <p>Total Paid (Due) to General Revenue: \$300 (remaining \$7,700 due in 35 monthly payments of \$220 each)</p> <p>Person Compliance History Classification <input type="checkbox"/> High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p>Site 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 type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2002</p>	<p>Corrective Actions Taken:</p> <p>The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures at the Station:</p> <p>a. Implemented a release detection method for all USTs on February 2, 2010;</p> <p>b. Installed an automatic line leak detector on the piping associated with the super grade tank on January 13, 2010;</p> <p>c. Labeled all tanks on January 13, 2010;</p> <p>d. Installed an overfill prevention equipment on February 27, 2010; and</p> <p>e. Replaced all required vapor caps and gaskets on January 19, 2010.</p>

<p>was not installed [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.51(b)(2)(C) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(2)].</p> <p>5) Failure to maintain the Stage II vapor recovery system in proper operating condition, as specified by the manufacturer and/or any applicable California Air Resources Board Executive Order, including the absence or disconnection of any component that is a part of the approved system. Specifically, all three dry breaks did not have caps. Also, the supergrade fill cap was broken and the plus grade fill cap was missing the gasket [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 115.242(3)(A)].</p>		
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Additional ID No(s): 65671



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

DATES	Assigned	1-Mar-2010	Screening	3-Mar-2010	EPA Due	
	PCW	10-Mar-2010				

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION	
Respondent	CONVENIENCE MART, INC, dba Little York, Texaco
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.	RN101433862
Facility/Site Region	12-Houston
Major/Minor Source	Major

CASE INFORMATION			
Enf./Case ID No.	39267	No. of Violations	4
Docket No.	2010-0329-PST-E	Order Type	1660
Media Program(s)	Petroleum Storage Tank	Government/Non-Profit	No
Multi-Media		Enf. Coordinator	Clinton Sims
		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	\$12,500
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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	2.0% Enhancement	Subtotals 2, 3, & 7	\$250
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Notes: Enhancement due to one NGV without same or similar violations.

Culpability	No	0.0% Enhancement	Subtotal 4	\$0
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Notes: The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.

Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments	Subtotal 5	\$2,750
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Economic Benefit	0.0% Enhancement*	Subtotal 6	\$0
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Total EB Amounts: \$8
 Approx. Cost of Compliance: \$2,358
 *Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7	Final Subtotal	\$10,000
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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:

Final Penalty Amount \$10,000

STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT	Final Assessed Penalty	\$10,000
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DEFERRAL	20.0% Reduction	Adjustment	-\$2,000
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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	\$8,000
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Screening Date 3-Mar-2010

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PCW

Respondent CONVENIENCE MART, INC. dba Little York Texaco

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

Case ID No. 39267

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101433662

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Clinton Sims

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	1	2%
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) 2%

>> 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 one NOV without same or similar violations.

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

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PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101433662

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Clinton Sims

Violation Number 1

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 345.50(b)(1)(A) and 334.50(b)(2)(A)(i) and Tex. Water Code § 26.3475(a) and (c)(1)

Violation Description Failed to monitor the underground storage tank ("USTs") for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between monitoring). Specifically, the automatic tank gauge was not functioning at the time of the investigation. Also, failed to equip each pressurized line with an automatic line leak detector capable of detecting any release from the piping system. Specifically, the super grade line leak detector was broken.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

Release	Harm			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
Actual				50%
Potential	x			

>> Programmatic Matrix

Matrix Notes	Falsification			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
				0%

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

Adjustment \$5,000

\$5,000

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 Number of violation days 21

daily	
weekly	
monthly	
quarterly	x
semiannual	
annual	
single event	

mark only one with an x

Violation Base Penalty \$5,000

One quarterly event is recommended from the January 12, 2010 investigation date to the February 2, 2010 compliance date.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

25.0% Reduction

\$1,250

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

Notes The Respondent came into compliance on February 2, 2010.

Violation Subtotal \$3,750

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$3

Violation Final Penalty Total \$3,850

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$3,850

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent: CONVENIENCE MART, INC. dba Little York Texaco
Case ID No.: 39267
Reg. Ent. Reference No.: RN101433662
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

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
Equipment	\$356	12-Jan-2010	13-Jan-2010	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)	\$1,000	12-Jan-2010	2-Feb-2010	0.06	\$3	n/a	\$3

Notes for DELAYED costs: Actual cost to install an automatic line leak detector per invoice submitted. The Date Required is the investigation date and the Final Date is the compliance date. Estimated cost to monitor USTs for releases. 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)

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
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	\$1,356	TOTAL	\$3
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PCW

Respondent: CONVENIENCE MART, INC. dba Little York Texaco

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

Case ID No.: 39267

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No.: RN101433662

Media [Statute]: Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator: Clinton Sims

Violation Number: 2

Rule Cite(s):

30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.8(c)(5)(C)

Violation Description:

Failed to ensure that a legible tag, label, or marking with the UST Identification number is permanently applied upon or affixed to either the top of the fill tube or to a non-removable point in the immediate area of the fill tube according to the UST registration and self-certification form.

Base Penalty: \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

Release	Harm		
	Major	Moderate	Minor
Actual			
Potential			

Percent: 0%

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor
	x		

Percent: 25%

Matrix Notes:

100% of the rule requirement was not met.

Adjustment: \$7,500

\$2,500

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events: 1

Number of violation days: 2

mark only one with an x

daily	
weekly	
monthly	
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	x

Violation Base Penalty: \$2,500

One single event is recommended.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

25.0% Reduction

\$625

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

Notes:

The Respondent came into compliance on January 13, 2010.

Violation Subtotal: \$1,875

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount: \$0

Violation Final Penalty Total: \$1,925

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits): \$1,925

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent: CONVENIENCE MART, INC. dba Little York Texaco
Case ID No.: 39267
Reg. Ent. Reference No.: RN101433662
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
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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	12-Jan-2010	13-Jan-2010	0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to label the UST fill ports. 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

\$100

TOTAL

\$0

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Respondent: CONVENIENCE MART, INC. dba Little York Texaco

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Case ID No.: 39267

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No.: RN101433662

Media [Statute]: Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator: Clinton Sims

Violation Number: 3

Rule Cite(s):

30 Tex. Admin. Code § 394.51(b)(2)(C) and Tex. Water Code § 26.3475(c)(2)

Violation Description:

Failed to equip each tank with a valve or other device designed to automatically shut off the flow of regulated substances into the tank when the liquid level in the tank reaches no higher than 95% capacity. Specifically, overfill prevention equipment was not installed.

Base Penalty: \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

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

>> Programmatic Matrix

	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
					0%

Matrix Notes:

Human health or the environment will or could be exposed to significant amounts of pollutants which would not exceed levels that are protective of human health or environmental receptors as a result of the violation.

Adjustment: \$7,500

\$2,500

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events: 1 Number of violation days: 46

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

Violation Base Penalty: \$2,500

One quarterly event is recommended from the January 12, 2010 investigation date to the February 27, 2010 compliance date.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

10.0% Reduction

\$250

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

Notes:

The Respondent came into compliance on February 27, 2010.

Violation Subtotal: \$2,250

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount: \$5

Violation Final Penalty Total: \$2,300

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits): \$2,300

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent: CONVENIENCE MART, INC. dba Little York Texaco
Case ID No.: 39267
Reg. Ent. Reference No.: RN101433662
Media: Petroleum Storage Tank
Violation No.: 3

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

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
Equipment	\$525	12-Jan-2010	27-Feb-2010	0.13	\$0	\$4	\$5
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

Actual cost to install overfill prevention equipment. 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)

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

\$525

TOTAL

\$5

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Reg. Ent. Reference No.: RN101433662

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator: Clinton Sims

Violation Number 4

Rule Cite(s)

30-Tex. Admin. Code § 115.242(3)(A)

Violation Description

Failed to maintain the Stage-II vapor recovery system in proper operating condition, as specified by the manufacturer and/or any applicable California Air Resources Board Executive Order, including the absence or disconnection of any component that is a part of the approved system. Specifically, all three dry breaks did not have caps. Also, the supergrade fill cap was broken and the plus grade fill cap was missing the gasket.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

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

>> Programmatic Matrix

	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
					0%

Matrix Notes

Human health or the environment will or could be exposed to significant amounts of pollutants which would not exceed levels that are protective of human health or environmental receptors as a result of the violation.

Adjustment \$7,500

\$2,500

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 Number of violation days 7

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

Violation Base Penalty \$2,500

One quarterly event is recommended from the January 12, 2010 investigation date to the January 19, 2010 compliance date.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

25.0% Reduction

\$625

Before NOV NOV to EDRP/Settlement Offer

Extraordinary		
Ordinary	X	
N/A		(mark with x)

Notes

The Respondent came into compliance on January 19, 2010.

Violation Subtotal \$1,875

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$1

Violation Final Penalty Total \$1,925

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$1,925

Economic Benefit Worksheet

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Case ID No.: 39267
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Media: Petroleum Storage Tank
Violation No.: 4

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

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

Delayed Costs

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
Equipment	\$375	12-Jan-2010	19-Jan-2010	0.02	\$0	\$0	\$1
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

Actual cost to replace the vapor caps and gaskets. 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)

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

\$375

TOTAL

\$1

Compliance History Report

Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator: CN602806770 CONVENIENCE MART, INC. Classification: AVERAGE Rating: 1.50
Regulated Entity: RN101433662 LITTLE YORK TEXACO Classification: AVERAGE Site Rating: 1.50

ID Number(s): PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION 65671
REGISTRATION

Location: 13214 W LITTLE YORK RD, HOUSTON, TX, 77041

TCEQ Region: REGION 12 - HOUSTON

Date Compliance History Prepared: March 02, 2010

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Compliance Period: March 02, 2005 to March 02, 2010

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

Name: Clinton Sims Phone: 239 - 6933

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? CONVENIENCE MART, INC.
4. If Yes, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s) ? Balwant, Inc.
5. When did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? 03/18/2005
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 10/31/2006 (514841)
2 02/19/2010 (787880)

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

Date: 10/31/2006 (514841) CN602806770
Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate
Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter C 115.245(2)
Description: At the time of the investigation, the Pressure Decay (TXP 102) test failed.

- 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
CONVENIENCE MART, INC. DBA
LITTLE YORK TEXACO
RN101433662**

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**BEFORE THE
TEXAS COMMISSION ON
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2010-0329-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 CONVENIENCE MART, INC. dba Little York Texaco ("the Respondent") under the authority of TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 382 and 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 and operates a convenience store with retail sales of gasoline at 13214 West Little York Road in Houston, Harris County, Texas (the "Station").
2. The Respondent's three underground storage tanks ("USTs") are not exempt or excluded from regulation under the Texas Water Code or the rules of the Commission. The Station 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 February 24, 2010.
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 Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) of the administrative penalty and Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) 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 Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$7,700) of the administrative penalty shall be payable in 35 monthly payments of Two Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$220) 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 Station:
 - a. Implemented a release detection method for all USTs on February 2, 2010;
 - b. Installed an automatic line leak detector on the piping associated with the super grade tank on January 13, 2010;
 - c. Labeled all tanks on January 13, 2010;
 - d. Installed an overfill prevention equipment on February 27, 2010; and
 - e. Replaced all required vapor caps and gaskets on January 19, 2010.
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 owner and operator of the Station, the Respondent is alleged to have:

1. Failed to monitor the USTs for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between monitoring), in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 345.50(b)(1)(A) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1), as documented during an investigation conducted on January 12, 2010. Specifically, the automatic tank gauge was not functioning at the time of the investigation.
2. Failed to equip each pressurized line with an automatic line leak detector capable of detecting any release from the piping system, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(2)(A)(i) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(a), as documented during an investigation conducted on January 12, 2010. Specifically, the super grade line leak detector was broken.
3. Failed to ensure that a legible tag, label, or marking with the UST identification number is permanently applied upon or affixed to either the top of the fill tube or to a non-removable point in the immediate area of the fill tube according to the UST registration and self-certification form, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(5)(C), as documented during an investigation conducted on January 12, 2010.
4. Failed to equip each tank with a valve or other device designed to automatically shut off the flow of regulated substances into the tank when the liquid level in the tank reaches no higher than 95% capacity, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.51(b)(2)(C) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(2), as documented during an investigation conducted on January 12, 2010. Specifically, overfill prevention equipment was not installed.
5. Failed to maintain the Stage II vapor recovery system in proper operating condition, as specified by the manufacturer and/or any applicable California Air Resources Board Executive Order, including the absence or disconnection of any component that is a part of the approved system, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 115.242(3)(A), as documented during an investigation conducted on January 12, 2010. Specifically, all three dry breaks did not have caps. Also, the supergrade fill cap was broken and the plus grade fill cap was missing the gasket.

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: CONVENIENCE MART, INC. dba Little York Texaco, Docket No. 2010-0329-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. 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 Station operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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 Siddle

For the Executive Director

7/15/2010

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.

John Siddle

Signature

06/03/10

Date

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Name (Printed or typed)
Authorized Representative of
CONVENIENCE MART, INC. dba Little York Texaco

president

Title

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.

