

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**  
**AGENDA ITEM REQUEST**

**AGENDA REQUESTED:**     December 7, 2011

**DATE OF REQUEST:**       November 18, 2011

**NAME & NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT REGARDING CHANGES TO THIS REQUEST, IF NEEDED:** Joyce Spencer, 239-5017

**CAPTION:** Docket No. 2011-1930-MIS. Consideration of the re-nomination and re-appointment of five positions on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee and the nomination and appointment of one person to fill the school district/junior college district position.

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Susana M. Hildebrand  
Chief Engineer

David Brymer  
Division Director

Joyce Spencer  
Agenda Coordinator

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# Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

## Interoffice Memorandum

**To:** Commissioners **Date:** November 18, 2011

**Thru:** Bridget Bohac, Chief Clerk  
Mark R. Vickery, P.G., Executive Director

**From:** Susana M. Hildebrand, P.E., Chief Engineer 

**Docket No.:** 2011-1930-MIS

**Subject:** Consideration of the re-nomination and re-appointment of five positions on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee and the nomination and appointment of one person to fill the school district/junior college district position.

### **Background**

House Bills (HB) 3206 and 3544, 81st Legislature, 2009, amended Texas Tax Code (TTC), §11.31 to require the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to form a permanent advisory committee (committee) that will make recommendations to the TCEQ commissioners on matters relating to property tax exemptions for pollution control property. TTC, §11.31(n) requires the committee to have representatives from industry, appraisal districts, taxing units, environmental groups, and members who are not representatives of any of the aforementioned entities but have substantial technical expertise in pollution control technology and environmental engineering. The legislation did not specify the total number of members from each group, but did exempt the committee from the size, composition, and duration requirements of Texas Government Code, Chapter 2110; however, the committee is still required to comply with the requirements for balanced representation specified in Texas Water Code, §5.107. The initial 13 committee member appointments were made by the commission at the January 27, 2010, agenda.

During the committee's first meeting on February 25, 2010, members drew lots to determine who would serve two-year terms and who would serve four-year terms. The members serving two-year terms are Donald Lee (taxing unit), Cyrus Reed (environmental group), Michael J. Nasi (industry), Gregory P. Maxim (industry), Judge Eddie Arnold (taxing unit), and Paul Coon (industry). These two-year terms expire on the date of the first committee meeting held in 2012.

HB 2280, 82nd Legislature, 2011, amended TTC, §11.31(n) by adding the following requirement: "At least one member of the advisory committee must be a representative of a school district or junior college district in which property is located that is or previously was subject to an exemption under this section." Testimony provided by Representative Craig Eiland, the House sponsor, during the legislative process suggested that the new position be a substitute for one of the taxing unit positions.

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**Recommend Reappointment**

Mr. Gregory P. Maxim, Duff and Phelps, representing Industry

Mr. Michael J. Nasi, Clean Coal Technology Foundation, representing Industry

Mr. Paul Coons, Association of Electric Companies of Texas, representing Industry

Mr. Donald Lee, Texas Conference of Urban Counties, representing Taxing Units

Dr. Cyrus Reed, Lone Star Chapter, Sierra Club, representing Environmental Groups

**Recommend Appointment for School District/Junior College District**

Mr. Lloyd Graham, Superintendent La Porte ISD, representing School and Junior College Districts

Summary of qualifications:

- Experience in the oil and gas industry
- 22 years experience in education with multiple degrees
- Over 1/3 of Tax Relief applications processed have been received from La Porte ISD or one of the ISDs that co-nominated Mr. Graham
- Nomination has been seconded by:
  - District 23 State Representative Craig Eiland (HB 2280 Author)
  - District 11 State Senator Mike Jackson (HB 2280 Sponsor)
  - Dr. Michael T. Murphy, President Lee College
  - David B. Hodgins, Partner, Thompson & Horton, LLP.
  - Dr. Patricia Montgomery, Superintendent, Angleton ISD
  - Dr. Karin Holacka, Superintendent, Brazosport ISD
  - Dr. Arnold Adair, Superintendent, Deer Park ISD
  - Dr. Toby York, Superintendent, Goose Creek ISD
  - Ms. Melinda H. Garnett, Chief Financial Officer, Houston ISD
  - Mr. Randy Miksch, Superintendent, Sweeny ISD
  - Ms. Liz Payne, CPA, Co-Interim Superintendent, Texas City ISD
  - Ms. Millicent M. Valek, President, Brazosport College
  - Dr. Michael A. Elam, President, College of the Mainland
  - Dr. Brenda Hellyer, Chancellor, San Jacinto College District
  - Gayden L. Cooper, Manager, LyondellBasell Regional Public Relations

**Other Nomination for School District/Junior College District**

Dr. Paul Clore, Superintendent, Gregory-Portland ISD, representing School and Junior College Districts

Summary of qualifications:

- 37 years experience in education
- Equity Center: Executive Committee Vice President of Program and Chairperson of Nominating for 2010-2012

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- Nomination seconded by:
  - District 32 State Representative Todd Hunter
  - District 21 State Senator Judith Zaffirini
  - Dr. Mark Escamilla, President, Del Mar College
  - Mr. D. Scott Elliff, Superintendent, Corpus Christi ISD
  - Mr. Mike Carrell, Chairman, Port of Corpus Christi
  - Mr. Richard Bullock, Executive Director, Coastal Ben Council of Governments
  - Hon. Terry Simpson, San Patricio County Judge
  - Josephine Miller, Executive Director, San Patricio Economic Development Corporation
  - Ms. Sue Zimmerman, Executive Director, Portland Chamber of Commerce
  - Mr. Rey Rojas, Trustee President, Gregory-Portland ISD

**Attachments**

Applications

**Agency contacts:**

Chance Goodin, Project Manager, 239-6335

Tim Reidy, Staff Attorney, 239-0969

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cc: Chief Clerk, 5 copies  
Executive Director's Office  
Susana M. Hildebrand, P.E.  
Anne Idsal  
Curtis Seaton  
Ashley Morgan  
Office of General Counsel

# **Texas Commission on Environmental Quality**

## ***Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee***

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### **Application for Advisory Committee Position**

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1. I am nominating another individual.

Nominee's Name:

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

FAX Number:

E-mail Address:

2. I am nominating myself.

My Name: Greg Maxim

Mailing Address: 919 Congress Avenue, Suite #1450

City, State, Zip: Austin, Texas 78701

Phone Number: (512) 671-5580

FAX Number: (512) 351-7911

E-mail Address: gregory.maxim@duffandphelps.com

The following groups have positions open for applications. Please check the group that the nominee is qualified to represent.

- 1. Industry
- 2. School District/Junior College District
- 3. Taxing unit
- 4. Environmental group

Please provide additional information regarding the group represented by the nominee.

Currently, I am serving on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee.

Please attach separate pages documenting the nominee's qualifications for a position on the advisory committee. Examples of supporting documentation include a resume, biography, summary of experience, list of publications, recognitions and awards, letters of reference, etc.

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## Fax

To:  
Ron Hatlett

Company:  
TCEQ

Fax:  
512-239-6188

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From:  
Gregory Maxim

Phone:  
+1 512 671 5500

Date:  
August 24, 2011

- Confidential
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Re: Application for Advisory Committee Position

Please accept my self-nomination for the Advisory Committee Position.

Sincerely,



Gregory Maxim

Director

Property Tax

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1. I am nominating another individual.

Nominee's Name: Mike Nasi

Mailing Address: 100 Congress Avenue, Ste. 1100

City, State, Zip: Austin, Texas 78701

Phone Number: (512) 236-2216

FAX Number: (512) 391-2194

E-mail Address: mnasi@jw.com

2. I am nominating myself.

My Name: Mark Walker

Mailing Address: 1005 Congress Avenue, Ste. 1000

City, State, Zip: 78701

Phone Number: (512) 473-8895

FAX Number: (512) 473-8712

E-mail Address: mark.walker@nrgenergy.com

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- 2. School District/Junior College District
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Please provide additional information regarding the group represented by the nominee.

Mr. Nasi serves as General Counsel to the Clean Coal Technology Foundation of Texas and can represent the unique perspective of coal-based electric generation facilities that are in the process of developing technologies to capture and sequester carbon dioxide while maintaining full compliance with emission limits on all currently regulated air pollutants. He also represents companies in the gas-fired, biomass, and nuclear energy business. In addition to electric generation facilities, Mr. Nasi is familiar with the pollution control technologies deployed by the steel recycling, steel manufacturing, surface mining, and solid waste industries.

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Air Quality Division

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TCEQ  
Tax Relief for Pollution-Control Property, MC 110  
P.O. Box 13087  
Austin, TX 78711-3087

E-mail: [txrelief@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:txrelief@tceq.texas.gov)

Re: Michael J. Nasi Application for TCEQ Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property  
Advisory Committee

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find the above-referenced application. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need further information regarding this applicant.

Sincerely,

Mark Walker  
President

Clean Coal Technology Foundation of Texas

512-473-8895

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1. I am nominating another individual.

Nominee's Name: Paul H. Coon

Mailing Address: Luminant, 500 North Akard Street, 09-105F

City, State, Zip: Dallas, Texas 75201-3302

Phone Number: 214-875-8376

FAX Number: 214-875-8333

E-mail Address: Paul.Coon@luminant.com

2. I am nominating myself.

My Name:

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

FAX Number:

E-mail Address:

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The Association of Electric Companies of Texas (AECT) is an industry trade association representing electric companies in Texas. Organized in 1978, AECT provides a forum for member companies' representatives to exchange information on their industry, and to communicate with state and federal governmental officials.

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Nomination for representation of the Association of Electric Companies of Texas (AECT) on behalf of industry on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee

**Paul H. Coon - Air Permitting Manager, Luminant**

Paul has been employed for 30 years with Luminant Power and predecessor companies held by Texas Utilities Company and TXU Corporation. His primary responsibilities have involved air permitting for generation, mining, and oil & gas operations. He also has experience in transmission & distribution environmental issues, underground storage tanks (UST) management, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) and general waste issues.

Paul is currently Air Permitting Manager for Luminant Power, reporting to the Director of Environmental Generation, and is responsible for all air permitting for generation and mining projects. As part of his job responsibilities, he provides technical review of proposed capital projects involving pollution control property. He has been Luminant's primary technical contributor on their Proposition 2 use determination applications for the past four years.

Paul has served as a member of the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee since its inception in early 2010. By lot, he was assigned a two year term on the Committee, which expires at the end of 2011.



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Air Quality Division

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
PO Box 13087  
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Re: Nomination of Paul Coon for Membership on Tax Relief for Pollution  
Control Property Advisory Committee

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Association of Electric Companies of Texas ("AECT") is herewith nominating Paul Coon, Air Permitting Manager – Luminant, to continue to represent AECT as an industry representative on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee for the period 2012 through 2015.

AECT is an industry trade association representing electric companies in Texas. Organized in 1978, AECT provides a forum for member companies' representatives to exchange information on their industry, and to communicate with state and federal governmental officials.

Enclosed is AECT's Application for Advisory Committee Position, nominating Mr. Coon, who has served as a member of the Committee since the Committee's inception in early 2010.

AECT appreciates the opportunity to nominate Mr. Coon to serve on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee. If you should have any questions, please contact Walt Baum of AECT at (512) 474-6725.

Sincerely,

John W. Fainter, Jr.  
AECT President and CEO

Member Companies

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Nominee's Name:

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

FAX Number:

E-mail Address:

2. I am nominating myself.

My Name: Donald Lee, Executive Director, Texas Conference of Urban Counties

Mailing Address: 500 West 13<sup>th</sup> Street

City, State, Zip: Austin, Texas 78701

Phone Number: 512.476.6174

FAX Number: 512.476.5122

E-mail Address: donald.lee@cuc.org

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Please provide additional information regarding the group represented by the nominee.

The Texas Conference of Urban Counties is made up of 37 member counties, representing almost 80% of the population of the state. Many of the urban counties have a significant industrial tax base and will be directly impacted by any changes to the pollution control property tax exemption program. The Urban Counties has been involved in legislative and agency discussions regarding the Prop. 2 program since its creation.

Donald Lee currently serves on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee.

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Nominee's Name:

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

FAX Number:

E-mail Address:

2. I am nominating myself.

My Name: Cyrus Reed

Mailing Address: 1202 San Antonio

City, State, Zip: Austin, Texas 78701

Phone Number: 512-740-4086

FAX Number:

E-mail Address: cyrus.reed@sierraclub.org

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I have served on two previous committees related to this issue. As Conservation Director of Lone Star Chapter of Sierra Club, I am fairly knowledgeable about changes in environmental rules and regulations related to the oil and gas, electric utility, refinery and other major industries in Texas.

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**PUBLIC POLICY**

**EXPERIENCE: Conservation Director, Lone Star Chapter, Sierra Club, Austin** 2008-present  
Serve as Chapter's Conservation Director, leading local and state campaigns on energy efficiency, renewable energy policy, building codes and clean air issues. Work with variety of coalitions on building a clean energy economy in Texas. Also serve as chief lobbyist for Sierra Club during Texas legislative session on clean air and clean energy issues. Active in rulemaking and advisory committees at Railroad Commission, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and Public Utility Commission.

**Director, Texas Center for Policy Studies, Austin, TX** 2002-2007  
Direct 501-C-3 research and policy organization, fundraise and oversee budget of approximately \$120,000. Worked on issues related to U.S. - Mexico border and institutions, budgets for environmental agencies and tax policy.

**Contract Lobbyist, Lone Star Sierra Club** 2005-2007  
During the spring legislative sessions of the Texas Legislature in 2005 and 2007, worked as independent legislative lobbyist for Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club, as well as several prominent environmental lawyers. Worked on issues related to energy efficiency, air permitting, management of radioactive waste, border water issues, water conservation, permitting, enforcement, quarries and budget issues. Will be joining Lone Star Chapter staff in September, 2007.

**Project Director, Texas Center for Policy Studies, Austin, TX** 1994-2002  
Directed a variety of projects, including Border Trade and Environment Project, which examines the environmental impacts of economic integration and NAFTA on Mexico and the Texas-Mexico border; and Texas Fee and Tax Reform Project, which examines ways to promote pollution prevention and raise monies for environmental protection in State of Texas. Also co-contributor of *Texas Environmental Almanac*, a resource guide to the environment in Texas published by UT-Press and *Texas Environmental Profiles* (www.texasep.org), a website with comprehensive Texas environmental information.

**Intern, Legislative Oversight Committee on Worker's Compensation** 1992-93  
Helped design a method for awarding benefits to workers suffering from chronic pain syndromes and loss of strength. Helped conduct a statistical sample of injured workers to compare the costs of old and new worker's compensation systems.

**Staff Reporter, *The Tico Times*, San Jose, Costa Rica** 1989-90  
Reported on a variety of issues, including land tenure, tourism, Central American politics, agricultural policy, bats, hurricanes and plane crashes for Central America's largest English-language newspaper.

**EDUCATION: University of Texas-Austin, PhD, Geography & Environment** December, 2007

- Concentration in Water and Natural Resource Management, Political Ecology and US-Mexico Border Studies
- Dissertation Project: *The Texas-Mexico Water Dispute and its Resolution(?)*:

*Agricultural Liquid & Land Discourse and Practice along the Rio Conchos,  
Chihuahua, 1990-2005*

- University of Texas-Austin, MS in Community & Regional Planning** 1990-94
- Concentration in Community Development, Water Planning and US-Mexico Border
  - **Master's Thesis:** *The Ties that Bind: Community Based Organizations and Water and Wastewater Treatment Service in the Colonias of Hidalgo County, Texas*
- University of Texas-Austin, MA in Latin American Studies** 1990-94
- Concentration in U.S. – Mexico Border Studies, Latin American Development Studies
  - **Research Paper:** *Flexible Accumulation and Regional Development: The Effects of Export Expansion in Three Mexican Secondary Cities*
- Princeton University, Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Comparative Literature** 1983-87
- Concentration in Latin American Literature, Literary Criticism
  - Certificate in Latin American Studies
  - Senior Thesis: *Fact and Fiction: A Literary Biography of Ariel Dorfman*

**RECENT PUBLICATIONS:**

2006. Bridging the Gap: Green Tax Options for Texas' Public Schools. Austin, Tx: Texas Center for Policy Studies et al.

2004. *Energy Use in the North American Cement Industry in North America, 1990-2001*. Authors: Marisa Jacott, Fronteras Comunes, Cyrus Reed, TCPS, Amy Taylor and Mark Winfield, Pembina Institute for Sustainable Development. Report done under grant with North American Commission on Environmental Cooperation.

2003. "The CEC's Trade and Environment Program: Cutting-Edge Analysis, but Untapped Potential," in Greening NAFTA: The Experience and Potential of the North American Commission for Environmental Cooperation, David Markell and John Knox, eds. Stanford University Press. With Mary Kelly.

2003. "Making Polluters Pay: Environmentally Responsible Ways that Texas Can Raise New State Funds," *State Tax Notes* (Volume 28: No. 3, April 21, 2003), pp. 283-299.

2002. "The Forestry Industry in the State of Chihuahua: Economic, Ecological and Social Impacts Post-Nafta," in The Environmental Effects of Free Trade. North American Commission on Environmental Cooperation, Montreal, Canada. With Maria Teresa Guerrero, Mary Kelly and Brandon Vegter.

2002. "The Generation and Management of Hazardous Wastes and Transboundary Hazardous Waste Shipments between Mexico, Canada and the United States, 1990-2000," in The Environmental Effects of Free Trade. North American Commission on Environmental Cooperation, Montreal, Canada. With Marisa Jacott and Mark Winfield.

2001. *Finding Common Ground: A Public Interest Proposal for BECC/NADBANK Reform*; Authors: TCPS, North American Integration and Development Center, William C. Velasquez Institute.

2000. The Texas Environmental Almanac, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. University of Texas-Press. With Mary Sanger.

**LANGUAGES:** Near-Native Fluency in Spanish  
Proficiency in Portuguese

**OVERSEAS EXPERIENCE:** Participate in workshops & conferences and conduct research in Mexico 1994+  
Married to Nicaraguan, with extensive travel to Nicaragua 1992-present  
Travel in Israel, Spain, England and South Africa 1995-2010  
Worked as Journalist in Costa Rica 1989-90  
Studied as fifth grader in Sevilla, Spain 1975-76  
Born in England 1965-68

**ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS/POSTERS:**

**Drought and Dispute over the Rio Conchos Outflow in the Rio Grande:  
Agricultural Water Use and Conservation in the Delicias Irrigation District,  
1990-2005**  
Poster presented at "Charting the Course", Rivers Systems Institute, Texas State  
University, Texas State Capitol. Poster named Outstanding Poster on Water Management  
and Policy 11/2006

**Drought, Dispute, Discourse, and Decentralization: Agricultural Water and Land  
Use in the Delicias Irrigation District, 1990-2005**  
Presentation at Southwest American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting,  
Norman, Oklahoma 10/2006

**Agricultural Water Conservation in Irrigation Districts in the Rio Conchos  
Watershed, Chihuahua: Drought, Dispute and Water Rights**  
Presentation at American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting  
Chicago, Illinois 4/2006

**Farmer Water Use, Conservation and Conversations in the Conchos Basin,  
Chihuahua in a Free Trade Era**  
Presentation at American Association of Geographers,  
Denver, Colorado 4/2005

**Water Use, Yield and Crop Patterns in a Time of Drought: Mexico & Texas**  
Guest lecture in Geography Course "Food Production, Development and Environment,"  
UT-Austin 6/2004

**Water Use, Drought and Dams in the Rio Conchos, Chihuahua**  
Environmental Science Institute Fellowship Conference, 11/2003

**Community Response to Drought along the Rio Conchos in a Free Trade Era**  
Geography Colloquium, Geography Department, UT-Austin 9/2003

**Energy Use in the North American Cement Industry in North America: Emissions,  
Waste Generation and Pollution Control, 1990-2001, 2<sup>nd</sup> Symposium on Understanding  
the Linkage between Free Trade and Environment, Commission on Environmental  
Cooperation, Mexico City 3/2003**

- Water Management Issues along the Rio Conchos in a Disputed Time**  
 US-Mexico Water Conference, LBJ School, University of Texas 4/2002
- Forestry and Free Trade in Chihuahua**  
 "Green" Brown Bag, LBJ School, University of Texas 3/2002
- Hazardous Waste Management and Transboundary Shipments of Hazardous Waste in North America**, Symposium on Understanding the Linkage between Free Trade and Environment, World Bank, Washington, D.C. 9/2000

**RESEARCH, AWARDS**

- & TEACHING:** E.D. Farmer International Fellowship Fund for Research and Study, UT Center for Mexico Studies 2005  
*Awarded competitive fellowship to conduct final PHD research, including conducting agricultural surveys and interviews in three case study locations in Chihuahua. Research conducted from June to November, 2005.*
- Summer Research Fellowship, Environmental Science Institute, UT Austin, 2003  
*Awarded competitive fellowship to conduct preliminary PHD research, including site selection of case studies in Chihuahua, Mexico. Research conducted in 2003.*
- Summer Travel Research Veselka Grant, Department of Geography, UT Austin 2003  
*Travel grant helped defray preliminary PHD field research in Chihuahua.*
- Teaching Assistant in Community and Regional Planning, UT Austin, 1993  
*TA for Graduate Course in Planning Methods. Helped design homework assignments and course material.*
- Research Assistant for Community and Regional Planning Professor 1992  
*Conducted research for professor in CRP program on flexible production in Mexico.*
- U.S. Congress, Office of Technology Assistance Grant 1992  
*Researched possible effects of North American Free Trade Agreement on Mexico's electronics sector for U.S. Congress's technology research division. Conducted surveys in Baja California, Nuevo Laredo and Guadalajara*
- Mike Hogg Scholar 1991  
*Conducted surveys of industrial facilities in San Luis Potosí, Aguascalientes and León, Mexico.*

# Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

## *Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee*

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### Application for Advisory Committee Position

House Bills 3206 and 3544, enacted during the Regular Session of the 81st Texas Legislature, required the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to establish a permanent advisory committee of 13 members to advise the commission on the implementation of Texas Tax Code, §11.31. The commission appointed the advisory committee on January 27, 2010. Advisory committee members serve four-year staggered terms. Six of the members' terms expire on December 31, 2011. House Bill 2280, enacted during the Regular Session of the 82nd Texas Legislature, added the requirement that at least one advisory committee member be a representative of a school district or junior college district to the list organizations that must be represented on the committee.

Nominations are being accepted for the following positions:

- three industry representatives,
- one taxing unit representative,
- one school district or junior college district representative; and
- one environmental group representative.

Advisory committee applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. CST on September 16, 2011.

Please complete the following information and indicate if you are nominating another individual or yourself. If you are nominating another person, please provide that nominee's information.

1. I am nominating another individual.

Nominee's Name:

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

FAX Number:

E-mail Address:

2. I am nominating myself.

My Name: Lloyd W. Graham

Mailing Address: La Porte ISD/1002 San Jacinto Street

City, State, Zip: La Porte, Texas 77571

Phone Number: 281-604-7015

FAX Number: 281-604-7020

E-mail Address: lwgraham@lpisd.org

The following groups have positions open for applications. Please check the group that the nominee is qualified to represent.

- 1. Industry
- 2. School District/Junior College District
- 3. Taxing unit
- 4. Environmental group

Please provide additional information regarding the group represented by the nominee.

**I would be representing the School District/Junior College District group as a member of the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee. As Superintendent of Schools of La Porte ISD, I work in a school district in La Porte, Texas – an area with a great deal of industry and an area with property that is or was previously subject to exemption under the section 11.31 of the Tax Code. I have the support of several school districts and junior colleges regarding my nomination to serve on the Advisory Committee. Some of the supporting individuals have actually written letters of support, which are attached. As outlined on the Vita attached, I have both valuable work experience and educational experience. As Superintendent of Schools for La Porte ISD, I have established very strong and positive relationships with local industry. I believe my interests, skills and background would be beneficial to the Advisory Committee.**

**I would be honored to serve. Thank you for your consideration.**

Please attach separate pages documenting the nominee's qualifications for a position on the advisory committee. Examples of supporting documentation include a resume, biography, summary of experience, list of publications, recognitions and awards, letters of reference, etc.

All applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. CST on September 16, 2011. Applications submitted after that date will only be considered if there are insufficient qualified individuals in the specific groups. You can apply to nominate yourself or someone else to the advisory committee, but the TCEQ asks that only interested persons be nominated.

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VITA

Lloyd Wayne Graham  
2601 South Broadway #47, La Porte, Texas 77571  
Office 281-604-7015 Cell 281-831-6797  
lwgraham@lpisd.org

Education

Presently	Doctoral Fellow, the University of Texas at Austin <i>Cooperative Superintendency Program.</i>
August 1994	Master of Education Educational Administration Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos
August 1992	Bachelors of Applied Arts and Sciences Applied Arts and Sciences Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos
May 1976	Building Construction Texas A & M University, College Station No Degree
May 1974	High School Diploma Bellville High School Bellville, Texas

Texas Teaching Certifications

Elementary Self-Contained (1-8)  
Generic Special Education (PK-12)  
Secondary Government (6-12)  
Secondary Generic Special Education (6-12)  
Vocational Education Handicapped (6-12)  
Vocational Industrial CVAE (6-12)  
Mid-Management Administrator (PK-12)  
Superintendent (PK-12)

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May 1976	Building Construction Texas A & M University, College Station No Degree
May 1974	High School Diploma Bellville High School Bellville, Texas

## Employment

March 2008 -- Present	Superintendent of Schools La Porte Independent School District La Porte, Texas
March 2006 -- 2008	Superintendent of Schools Greenville Independent School District Greenville, Texas
April 2003 -- June 2006	Superintendent of Schools Stafford Municipal School District Stafford, Texas
Aug. 2005 -- May 2006	Adjunct Professor Educational Administration School Finance/Business Management University of Houston at Victoria

March 1996 – April 2003	<b>Superintendent of Schools</b> Round Top-Carmine ISD Carmine, Texas
July 1994 – March 1996	<b>High School Principal</b> Round Top-Carmine ISD Carmine, Texas
July 1993 – July 1994	<b>Vocational Adjustment Coordinator</b> South San Antonio ISD San Antonio, Texas
Aug. 1989 – July 1993	<b>Secondary Vocational Teacher</b> South San Antonio ISD San Antonio, Texas

In the immediate years after leaving college, I spent time as an itinerant construction and oilfield worker. Subsequently, I spent several years as a Drilling Foreman for Cities Service Gas and Oil (CITGO) where I worked in South Texas, Louisiana, and in the Gulf of Mexico. After the bust of 1982, I worked for a Department of Defense contractor for three years as a Project Manager renovating and building military family housing in several states. Immediately prior to my teaching career, we had a family business that was completely destroyed by fire occasioning the need for my family and me to completely begin again. I understand firsthand the rewards and a peril of the Texas and National Economies and the vibrant role industry plays in the continued growth of our great state.

#### Honors and Awards

May 2006	<b>Honorary Chapter Farmer</b> Stafford FFA Stafford, Texas
May 2003	<b>Honorary Chapter Farmer</b> Round Top-Carmine FFA Carmine, Texas
October 1999	<b>Finalist: State Superintendent of the Year</b>

	Texas Association of School Boards Annual Convention Houston, Texas
August 1999	Regional Honor Board of Trustees Educational Service Center XIII Austin, Texas
June 1999	Regional Superintendent of the Year Educational Service Center XIII Austin, Texas
March 1999	Doctoral Fellowship Cooperative Superintendency Program University of Texas at Austin
January 1994	State Regular Educator of the Year Texas Council of Administrators of Special Education Austin, Texas

Boards and Service

City of La Porte Appointment to FFAST  
Fair Housing Activity Statement –Texas  
La Porte Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone TIRZ  
Committee Representative Position 7  
Texas Academic Decathlon  
State Board of Directors  
Texas Association of School Administrators  
Administrative Services Committee Member  
Lifetime Member Fort Bend County Fair Association  
Texas Aggie Band Association  
Giddings Special Education Cooperative  
Chair 2000 through 2003  
Texas Association of Mid-Size Schools  
Director 2003-2008  
Legislative Chair State Senate Districts 2 and 13  
Texas Association of Rural Schools  
Director ESC XIII  
Fayette County 4H  
Adult Leadership Committee

New Braunfels First United Methodist Church  
Administrative Council

New Braunfels National Little League  
Coach, Director, Umpire-in-Chief

Professional Memberships

La Porte Chamber of Commerce  
Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership  
American Association of School Administrators  
Texas Association of School Administrators  
Texas Association of School Business Officials  
Texas Association of Suburban and Mid-Urban Schools

Dissertation Proposal

*Beyond Local Control: A Comparative Study of the  
Effects of Structural Inefficiencies in Texas' System of  
Public School Finance on Two Major Urban Districts*

Professional Presentations

*Commencement Keynote*  
San Jacinto College  
*School Leadership in an Age of Conflict and Criticism*  
American Association of School Administrators  
National Conference on Education  
San Diego, California  
*Creating Financially Healthy School Districts*  
Texas Education Agency  
Mid-Winter Conference  
Austin, Texas  
*Impact of Facilities on Student Performance*  
Texas Association of School Boards  
Annual Convention  
Houston, Texas

Personal

Married:

Kim Graham, Ms.Ed.

Elementary Counselor, Deer Park ISD

Children:

Justin

Texas Tech Class of 2005

Baylor Law, 2008

Practicing – Littler / Mendelson P.C., Houston

Jillian

Graduate, Elementary Education, Dec 2008,

Texas A&M University College Station

Second Grade Teacher Sealy ISD

Personal Interest

We own a family farm in Round Top, Texas. I am also a practicing stockman currently experiencing the full force and effect of the drought. With regard to hobbies, I hunt and fish when time and opportunity permits.

# TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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September 12, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
12100 Park 35 Circle, Building A  
Austin, TX 78753

To Whom It May Concern:

During the 82nd Legislative Session, I authored HB 2280 which requires at least one member of the advisory committee be a representative of a school district or junior college district in which property is or previously was subject to an exemption. It gives me great pleasure to recommend Mr. Lloyd Graham, superintendent for La Porte ISD, to fill this position. I have worked closely with Mr. graham over the years on school finance issues and the recovery from Hurricane Ike.

Mr. Graham is more than qualified to serve in this capacity. He has many years of experience as a superintendent. Before becoming an educator, he worked in the Oil and Gas industry for CITGO. He is also an active member in the business community through the LaPorte Chamber of Commerce and the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership. Mr. Graham has the full support of his colleagues to fill this position.

I know that Lloyd will be a real asset to the committee. I could not recommend anyone more highly than Mr. Graham.

Thank you for your consideration; please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

  
Craig Eiland

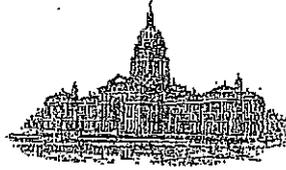


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# THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

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STATE AFFAIRS



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512/463-0111  
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MIKE.JACKSON@SENATE.STATE.TX.US

## MIKE JACKSON

September 13, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
PO Box 13087  
Austin, TX 78711-3087

Re: Nomination for the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of the nomination of Superintendent Lloyd Graham of La Porte Independent School District to serve as the school district or junior college representative on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee.

Superintendent Graham has both strong education and industry experience, having been a construction worker, oil field worker, and Drilling Foreman for Cities Service Gas and Oil (CITGO) before teaching and becoming a superintendent. His strong financial and problem-solving skills will greatly benefit everyone. In addition to plenty of support from countless individuals he has served throughout the region, Mr. Graham has the unanimous support of the Tax Exemption Coalition, a relatively new organization comprised of many districts and junior colleges along the Gulf Coast affected by pollution control exemptions.

Mr. Lloyd Graham will be an excellent addition to the Advisory Committee, and I hope you will accept his nomination. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Holly Deshields or anyone else in my capitol office at (512)463-0111.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Jackson".

Mike Jackson  
State Senator  
District 11

MJ/jld

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PEARLAND, TEXAS 77584  
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SENATE DISTRICT 11

PASADENA DISTRICT OFFICE  
1109 FAIRMONT PARKWAY  
PASADENA, TEXAS 77504  
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Patricia Montgomery, Ed.D.  
Superintendent  
1900 North Downing  
Angleton, Texas 77515  
(979) 864-8025

# Angleton Independent School District

September 13, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
PO Box 13087  
Austin, TX 78711-3087

Re: Nomination for the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee

Dear Texas Commission on Environmental Quality:

I am writing in support of the nomination of Superintendent Lloyd Graham of La Porte ISD to serve as the school district/junior college representative on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee.

I believe that Lloyd Graham would be an excellent addition to the Advisory Committee. I hope you will accept his nomination.

Sincerely,

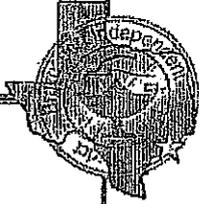


Patricia Montgomery, Ed.D.  
Superintendent  
Angleton Independent School District

*AISD . . . the tradition of excellence continues. . .*

The Angleton Independent School District and its career and technology education program does not discriminate on the basis of sex, disability, race, color, age or national origin in its educational program, activities or employment as required by Title IX, Section 504 and Title VI.

**Brazosport Independent School District**  
*Superintendent's Office*



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Superintendent

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September 13, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
PO Box 13087  
Austin, TX 78711-3087

RE: NOMINATION FOR THE TAX RELIEF FOR POLLUTION CONTROL  
PROPERTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dear Texas Commission on Environmental Quality:

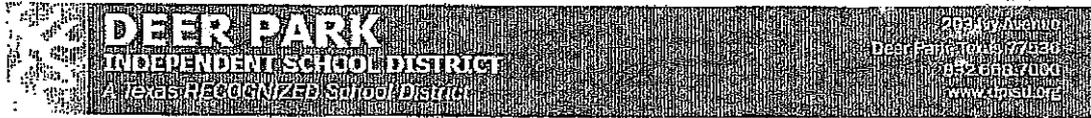
I am writing in support of the nomination of Superintendent Lloyd Graham of La Porte  
ISD to serve as the school district/junior college representative on the Tax Relief for  
Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee.

Superintendent Graham would be an excellent addition to the Advisory Committee and I  
hope you will accept his nomination.

Respectfully,

Dr. Karin Holacka  
Superintendent  
Brazosport Independent School District  
kholacka@brazosportisd.net

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September 9, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
PO Box 13087  
Austin, TX 78711-3087

Re: Nomination for the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee

Dear Texas Commission on Environmental Quality:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arnold Adair", is written over a horizontal line.

Arnold Adair, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools



GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**TOBY YORK, Ed.D.**  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

September 9, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
PO Box 13087  
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

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Dear Texas Commission on Environmental Quality:

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Superintendent Graham would be an excellent addition to the advisory committee and I hope you will accept his nomination.

Sincerely,

Toby York, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools



HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
HATTIE MAE WHITE EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT CENTER  
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TERRY B. GRIER, Ed.D.  
*Superintendent of Schools*

Melinda H. Garrett  
*Chief Financial Officer*  
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September 14, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
PO Box 13087  
Austin, TX 78711-3087

Re: Nomination for the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee

Dear Texas Commission on Environmental Quality:

I am writing in support of the nomination of Superintendent Lloyd Graham of La Porte ISD to serve as the school district/junior college representative on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee.

Superintendent Graham would be an excellent addition to the Advisory Committee as he has served as a superintendent for many years and previously worked in the Oil and Gas industry. As a member of the Tax Exemption Coalition, Mr. Graham has the full support of Houston ISD.

I hope you will accept his nomination.

Sincerely,

Melinda H. Garrett  
Chief Financial Officer

TG:MG:DB:lc



# Sweeny Independent School District

1310 Elm Street  
Sweeny, Texas 77480

*Our Students Make Us Proud...  
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September 9, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
P. O. Box 13087  
Austin, TX 78711-3087

RE: Nomination for the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee

Dear Texas Commission on Environmental Quality:

I am writing this letter in support of the nomination of Superintendent Lloyd Graham of La Porte ISD to serve as the school district/junior college representative on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee. I have known Lloyd for a number of years and feel he is very knowledgeable, intelligent, and articulate. He is well respected among his peers.

Therefore, it is without reservation, that I recommend Superintendent Lloyd Graham as an excellent addition to the Advisory Committee and feel he will serve well.

Sincerely,

Randy Miksch  
Superintendent  
Sweeny ISD  
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September 12, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
PO Box 13087  
Austin, TX 78711-3087

Re: Nomination for the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee

Dear Texas Commission on Environmental Quality:

I am writing in support of the nomination of Superintendent Lloyd Graham of La Porte ISD to serve as the school district/junior college representative on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee.

Superintendent Graham would be an excellent addition to the Advisory Committee and I hope you will accept his nomination.

Sincerely;

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Liz Payne".

Liz Payne, CPA

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September 14, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
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Re: Nomination for the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing in support of Superintendent Lloyd Graham of La Porte Independent School District to serve as the school district or junior college representative on the Tax Relief for Pollution Property Advisory Committee.

With Superintendent Graham's background in the Oil and Gas industry before teaching and becoming a superintendent, he will greatly benefit the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee.

I hope you will accept his nomination for this committee. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Millicent M. Valek  
President

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 16, 2011

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Tax Relief Program, MC-110  
PO Box 13087  
Austin, TX 78711-3087

Re: Nomination for the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael A. Elam'.

Michael A. Elam, Ed.D.  
President



Michael T. Murphy, Ed.D.,  
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September 13, 2011

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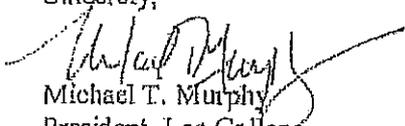
Re: Nomination of La Porte ISD Superintendent Lloyd Graham to Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee.

To Whom It May Concern:

The Advisory Committee would be well served by having Superintendent Graham as a member. His unique background, that includes both petro-chemical and education experience, will enable him to speak intelligently on both sides of the issues coming before the Committee. Having heard Superintendent Graham articulate issues that were debated last year, I know firsthand that he will be an effective member.

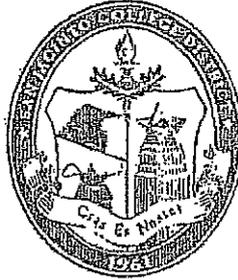
Please give every consideration to his appointment.

Sincerely,

  
Michael T. Murphy  
President, Lee College

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Office of the Chancellor

September 9, 2011

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Dear Texas Commission on Environmental Quality:

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Superintendent Graham would be an excellent addition to the Advisory Committee and I hope you will accept his nomination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brenda Hellyer".

Brenda Hellyer, Ed.D.  
Chancellor  
San Jacinto College

**From:** David Hodgins <dhodgins@thompsonhorton.com>  
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**CC:** "Lloyd W. Graham" <lwgraham@lpsd.org>  
**Date:** 9/16/2011 2:44 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Application/Nomination Letters for Superintendent Lloyd Graham regarding the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee  
**Attachments:** doc20110916163723.pdf

Dear TCEQ,

At the request and direction of Superintendent Lloyd Graham of La Porte ISD, I am forwarding to you Mr. Graham's application and nomination packet related to serving on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee as the school district/junior college representative. Mr. Graham's application is attached along with nomination support letters from several school districts, junior colleges, a representative of industry, and members of the Texas legislature who authored and sponsored the relevant legislation creating the position.

Mr. Graham would be very honored to serve if selected. Thank you very much for your consideration.

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September 14, 2011

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Re: Nomination for the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee

To Whom It May Concern:

Recently, Superintendent Lloyd Graham of La Porte Independent School District was nominated to serve on the Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee as the representative of school districts and junior colleges.

LyondellBasell supports the nomination of Mr. Graham and hopes you will consider appointing him to the committee. His credentials and leadership skills are strong; he is very knowledgeable about the tax system and is passionate about education. He has made steady improvements to La Porte ISD and his honors include 1994 State Regular Educator of the Year by the Texas Council of Administrators of Special Education, 1999 Regional Superintendent of the Year for Educational Service Center XIII, and 1999 finalist for State Superintendent of the Year by the Texas Association of School Boards.

Mr. Graham is active and committed to many educational boards, including serving as the executive director for the Hunt County Head Start; a vice president and director for the Texas Association of Mid-Size Schools; a director on the State Board for the Texas Academic Decathlon; and a member on the Administrative Services Committee for Texas Association of School Administrators.

We hope you will consider Mr. Graham's worthy credentials and accept his nomination.

Best Regards,

Gayden L. Cooper  
Regional Public Relations Manager

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