

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER
DOCKET NO.: 2010-1433-LII-E **TCEQ ID:** RN104509971 **CASE NO.:** 40316
RESPONDENT NAME: Paul D. Reed dba Reed's Lawn Service, LLC

ORDER TYPE:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 166o 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 type="checkbox"/> PETROLEUM STORAGE TANKS	<input checked="" 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: Reed's Lawn Service, LLC, 7130 Highway 75 South, Building C, Nos. 6 and 7, Huntsville, Walker County</p> <p>TYPE OF OPERATION: Landscaping business</p> <p>SMALL BUSINESS: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>OTHER SIGNIFICANT MATTERS: A complaint was received on October 29, 2009, alleging installation of an irrigation system without a license. There is no record of additional pending enforcement actions regarding this facility location.</p> <p>INTERESTED PARTIES: A complaint was received, but the complainant has not expressed a desire to protest this action or to speak at Agenda.</p> <p>COMMENTS RECEIVED: The <i>Texas Register</i> comment period expired on January 3, 2011. No comments were received.</p> <p>CONTACTS AND MAILING LIST: TCEQ Attorney/SEP Coordinator: None TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Mr. John Muennink, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 5, MC R-14, (361) 825-3423; Ms. Laurie Eaves, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-4495 Respondent: Mr. Paul Reed, Owner, Reed's Lawn Service, LLC, P.O. Box 8156, Huntsville, Texas 77340 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 type="checkbox"/> Routine <input type="checkbox"/> Enforcement Follow-up <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Records Review</p> <p>Date(s) of Complaints Relating to this Case: October 29, 2009</p> <p>Date of Investigation Relating to this Case: October 29, 2009</p> <p>Date of NOV/NOE Relating to this Case: August 11, 2010 (NOE)</p> <p>Background Facts: This was a records review.</p> <p>WATER</p> <p>Failed to obtain a city permit prior to performing maintenance on and installing a new section on an existing irrigation system on October 29, 2009. Specifically, the Respondent performed maintenance and installed a new section to the irrigation system at 124 Interstate Highway 45 in Huntsville, prior to obtaining a permit from the City of Huntsville [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 344.24(a)].</p>	<p>Total Assessed: \$193</p> <p>Total Deferred: \$38 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expedited Settlement <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Inability to Pay</p> <p>SEP Conditional Offset: \$0</p> <p>Total Paid to General Revenue: \$155</p> <p>Compliance History Classification: Person/CN - N/A Site/RN - N/A</p> <p>Major Source: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2002</p>	<p>Corrective Actions Taken:</p> <p>The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent obtained a city permit on November 5, 2009.</p>

Additional ID No(s): LI0016447



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

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DATES	Assigned	16-Aug-2010	Screening	31-Aug-2010	EPA Due	
	PCW	7-Sep-2010				

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION	
Respondent	Paul D. Reed dba Reed's Lawn Service, LLC
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.	RN104509971
Facility/Site Region	12-Houston
Major/Minor Source	Minor

CASE INFORMATION		No. of Violations	1
Enf./Case ID No.	40316	Order Type	1660
Docket No.	2010-1433-LIT-E	Government/Non-Profit	No
Media Program(s)	Irrigators	Enf. Coordinator	John Muennink
Multi-Media		EC's Team	Enforcement Team 5
Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum	\$0	Maximum	\$2,500

Penalty Calculation Section

TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)	Subtotal 1	\$250
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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	\$5
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Notes: Enhancement for one NOV with dissimilar 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	\$62
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Economic Benefit	0.0% Enhancement*	Subtotal 6	\$0
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Total EB Amounts	\$0
Approx. Cost of Compliance	\$133

*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7	Final Subtotal	\$193
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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 \$193

STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT	Final Assessed Penalty	\$193
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DEFERRAL	20.0% Reduction	Adjustment	-\$38
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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	\$155
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PCW

Respondent Paul D. Reed dba Reed's Lawn Service, LLC

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PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN104509971

Media [Statute] Irrigators

Enf. Coordinator John Muennink

Compliance History Worksheet

>> Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)

Component	Number of...	Enter Number Here	Adjust.
NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action (number of NOVs meeting criteria)	1	5%
	Other written NOVs	0	0%
Orders	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	0	0%
	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	0	0%
Judgments and Consent Decrees	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government (number of judgements or consent decrees meeting criteria)	0	0%
	Any adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this state or the federal government	0	0%
Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government (number of counts)	0	0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%
Audits	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which notices were submitted)	0	0%
	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which violations were disclosed)	0	0%

Please Enter Yes or No

Other	Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 2) 5%

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

N/A

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3) 0%

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

N/A

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) 0%

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

Enhancement for one NOV with dissimilar violations.

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

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PCW

Respondent Paul D. Reed dba Reed's Lawn Service, LLC

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Case ID No. 40316

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN104509971

Media [Statute] Irrigators

Enf. Coordinator John Muennink

Violation Number 1

Rule Cite(s)

30 Tex. Admin. Code § 344.24(a)

Violation Description

Failed to obtain a city permit prior to performing maintenance on and installing a new section on an existing irrigation system on October 29, 2009. Specifically, the Respondent performed maintenance and installed a new section to the irrigation system at 124 Interstate Highway 45 in Huntsville, prior to obtaining a permit from the City of Huntsville.

Base Penalty \$2,500

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

Release	Harm		
	Major	Moderate	Minor
Actual			
Potential			

Percent 0%

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Harm		
	Major	Moderate	Minor
	X		

Percent 10%

Matrix Notes

The Respondent failed to meet 100% of the rule requirement.

Adjustment \$2,250

\$250

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1

Number of violation days 1

mark only one with an x

daily	
weekly	
monthly	
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	X

Violation Base Penalty \$250

One single event is recommended.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

25.0% Reduction

\$62

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

Notes

The Respondent completed corrective measures on November 5, 2009.

Violation Subtotal \$188

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$0

Violation Final Penalty Total \$201

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$201

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent: Paul D. Reed dba Reed's Lawn Service, LLC

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Media: Irrigators

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	\$133	29-Oct-2009	5-Nov-2009	0.02	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated expense to obtain the required city permit. The Date Required is the date of the violation. The Final Date is that date the Respondent obtained a city permit.

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

\$133

TOTAL

\$0

Compliance History Report

Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator: CN602773921 REED, PAUL D Classification: Rating:
Regulated Entity: RN104509971 REED'S LAWN SERVICE, LLC Classification: Site Rating:

ID Number(s): LICENSE L10016447

Location: 7130 HIGHWAY 75 SOUTH, BUILDING C,
NOS. 6 AND 7
HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS 77340

TCEQ Region: REGION 12 - HOUSTON

Date Compliance History Prepared: August 27, 2010

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Compliance Period: August 27, 2005 to August 27, 2010

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

Name: John Muennink Phone: (361) 825-3423

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? No
3. If Yes, who is the current owner/operator? N/A
4. If Yes, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? N/A
5. When did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? N/A

Components (Multimedia) for the Site :

- A. Final Enforcement Orders, court judgments, 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.)
N/A
- E. Written notices of violations (NOV). (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)

Date: 03/03/2006 (457954)

Self Report? NO

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 344, SubChapter F 344.93(b)

Description: Failure by a person to refrain from advertising or representing themselves to the public as a holder of a license or registration unless they possess a current license or registration.

- 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
PAUL D. REED DBA REED'S
LAWN SERVICE, LLC
RN104509971**

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**BEFORE THE
TEXAS COMMISSION ON
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

**AGREED ORDER
DOCKET NO. 2010-1433-LII-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 Paul D. Reed dba Reed's Lawn Service, LLC ("the Respondent") under the authority of TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7 and 37 and TEX. OCCUPATIONS CODE ch. 1903. 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 landscaping business at 7130 Highway 75 South, Building C, Nos. 6 and 7 in Huntsville, Walker County, Texas.
2. TCEQ has general authority to regulate the design and installation of landscape irrigation systems, and the licensing of landscape irrigators and installers, pursuant to TEX. OCCUPATIONS CODE ch. 1903.
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 August 16, 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 One Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars (\$193) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid One Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$155) of the administrative penalty and Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$38) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. The deferred amount will be waived upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty.
7. Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
8. The Executive Director of the TCEQ and the Respondent have agreed on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to the approval of the Commission.
9. The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent obtained a city permit on November 5, 2009.
10. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
11. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.
12. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

II. ALLEGATIONS

The Respondent is alleged to have failed to obtain a city permit prior to performing maintenance on and installing a new section on an existing irrigation system on October 29, 2009, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 344.24(a), as documented during a record review conducted on October 29, 2009. Specifically, the Respondent performed maintenance and installed a new section to the irrigation system at 124 Interstate Highway 45 in Huntsville, prior to obtaining a permit from the City of Huntsville.

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: Paul Reed dba Reed's Lawn Service, LLC, Docket No. 2010-1433-LII-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.
3. 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.
4. This Agreed Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Agreed Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Agreed Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms "electronic transmission", "owner", "person", "writing", and "written" shall have the meanings assigned to them under TEX. BUS. ORG. CODE § 1.002.
5. 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



For the Executive Director

Date 12/21/2010

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Agreed Order. I am authorized to agree to the attached Agreed Order on behalf of the entity indicated below my signature, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty amount, is materially relying on such representation.

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

- A negative impact on compliance history;
- Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted;
- Referral of this case to the Attorney General's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;
- Increased penalties in any future enforcement actions;
- Automatic referral to the Attorney General's Office of any future enforcement actions; and
- TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.

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



Signature

Date 10/19/2010



Name (Printed or typed)
Authorized Representative of
Paul D. Reed dba Reed's Lawn Service, LLC

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.