

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER
DOCKET NO.: 2010-1666-PST-E **TCEQ ID:** RN101894681 **CASE NO.:** 40524
RESPONDENT NAME: CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expreso Bus Company

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: El Expreso Bus Company, 812 Delano Street, Houston, Harris County</p> <p>TYPE OF OPERATION: Bus station with underground storage tanks</p> <p>SMALL BUSINESS: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>OTHER SIGNIFICANT MATTERS: There are no complaints. There is no record of additional pending enforcement actions regarding this facility location.</p> <p>INTERESTED PARTIES: No one other than the ED and the Respondent has expressed an interest in this matter.</p> <p>COMMENTS RECEIVED: The <i>Texas Register</i> comment period expired on March 28, 2011. No comments were received.</p> <p>CONTACTS AND MAILING LIST: TCEQ Attorney/SEP Coordinator: None TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Ms. Elvia Maske, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 7, MC 128, (512) 239-0789; Ms. Laurie Eaves, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-4495 Respondent: Mr. George W. Hanthorn, Vice President, CUSA EE, LLC, 5430 LBJ Freeway 3 Lincoln Center, Suite 1075, Dallas, Texas 75240 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: July 7, 2010</p> <p>Date of NOV/NOE Relating to this Case: September 3, 2010 (NOE)</p> <p>Background Facts: This was a routine investigation.</p> <p>WASTE</p> <p>1) Failed to timely renew a previously issued underground storage tank ("UST") delivery certificate by submitting a properly completed UST registration and self-certification form at least 30 days before the expiration date. Specifically, the prior UST delivery certificate expired on May 31, 2010 [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(4)(A)(vii) and (c)(5)(B)(ii)].</p> <p>2) Failed to make available to a common carrier a valid, current TCEQ delivery certificate before accepting delivery of a regulated substance into the USTs. Specifically, one fuel delivery was accepted without a delivery certificate [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(5)(A)(i) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3467(a)].</p> <p>3) Failed to monitor the USTs for releases at a frequency of at least once per month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring) [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(1)(A) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1)].</p> <p>4) Failed to conduct reconciliation of detailed inventory control at least once each month, in a manner sufficiently accurate to detect a release which equals or exceeds the sum of 1.0% of the total substance flow-through for the month plus 130 gallons [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(d)(1)(B)(ii) and</p>	<p>Total Assessed: \$4,000</p> <p>Total Deferred: \$800 <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: \$3,200</p> <p>Compliance History Classifications: Person/CN - Average Site/RN - Average</p> <p>Major Source: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2002</p>	<p>Ordering Provisions:</p> <p>The Order will require the Respondent to:</p> <p>a. Immediately upon the effective date of this Agreed Order, cease accepting fuel until such time as a valid delivery certificate is obtained from the TCEQ by submitting a properly completed UST registration and self-certification form for the USTs;</p> <p>b. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, implement a release detection method for all USTs at the Facility; and</p> <p>c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit written certification and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provisions a. and b.</p>

<p>TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1).</p> <p>5) Failed to record inventory volume measurement for the regulated substance inputs, withdrawals, and the amount still remaining in the tank each operating day [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(d)(1)(B)(iii)(I) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1)].</p>		
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Additional ID No(s): PST 20545



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

TCEQ

DATES	Assigned	7-Sep-2010	Screening	20-Sep-2010	EPA Due	
	PCW	7-Oct-2010				

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION

Respondent	CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expreso Bus Company		
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.	RN101894681		
Facility/Site Region	12-Houston	Major/Minor Source	Minor

CASE INFORMATION

Enf./Case ID No.	40524	No. of Violations	3
Docket No.	2010-1666-PST-E	Order Type	1660
Media Program(s)	Petroleum Storage Tank	Government/Non-Profit	No
Multi-Media		Enf. Coordinator	Elvia Maske
		EC's Team	Enforcement Team 7
Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum	\$0	Maximum	\$10,000

Penalty Calculation Section

TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties) **Subtotal 1** **\$4,000**

ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage.

Compliance History **0.0%** Enhancement **Subtotals 2, 3, & 7** **\$0**

Notes: No adjustment for Compliance History.

Culpability **No** **0.0%** Enhancement **Subtotal 4** **\$0**

Notes: The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.

Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments **Subtotal 5** **\$0**

Economic Benefit **0.0%** Enhancement* **Subtotal 6** **\$0**

Total EB Amounts: \$60
Approx. Cost of Compliance: \$1,600
*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7 **Final Subtotal** **\$4,000**

OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE **0.0%** **Adjustment** **\$0**

Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes:

Final Penalty Amount **\$4,000**

STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT **Final Assessed Penalty** **\$4,000**

DEFERRAL **20.0%** Reduction **Adjustment** **-\$800**

Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicted percentage. (Enter number only; e.g. 20 for 20% reduction.)

Notes:

Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

PAYABLE PENALTY **\$3,200**

Screening Date 20-Sep-2010

Docket No. 2010-1666-PST-E

PCW

Respondent CUSA EE, LLC dba El Espresso Bus Company

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

Case ID No. 40524

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101894681

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Elvia Maske

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 (<i>number of NOVs meeting criteria</i>)	0	0%
	Other written NOVs	0	0%
Orders	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (<i>number of orders meeting criteria</i>)	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 (<i>number of judgements or consent decrees meeting criteria</i>)	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 (<i>number of counts</i>)	0	0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (<i>number of events</i>)	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 (<i>number of audits for which notices were submitted</i>)	0	0%
	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (<i>number of audits for which violations were disclosed</i>)	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) 0%

>> 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

No adjustment for Compliance History.

Total Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7) 0%

Screening Date 20-Sep-2010

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PCW

Respondent CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expresso Bus Company

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

Case ID No. 40524

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101894681

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Elvia Maske

Violation Number 1

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.8(c)(4)(A)(vii) and (c)(5)(B)(ii)

Violation Description Failed to timely renew a previously issued underground storage tank (UST) delivery certificate by submitting a properly completed UST registration and self-certification form at least 30 days before the expiration date. Specifically, the prior UST delivery certificate expired on May 31, 2010.

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 Percent 10% Matrix Notes 100% of the rule requirement was not met.

Adjustment \$9,000

\$1,000

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 Number of violation days 142

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

Violation Base Penalty \$1,000

One annual event is recommended.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0% Reduction

\$0

Before NOV NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer Extraordinary Ordinary N/A

Notes The Respondent does not meet the good faith criteria for this violation.

Violation Subtotal \$1,000

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$5

Violation Final Penalty Total \$1,000

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$1,000

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expreso Bus Company
Case ID No. 40524
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101894681
Media Petroleum Storage Tank
Violation No. 1

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

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

Delayed Costs

Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$100	1-May-2010	1-Apr-2011	0.92	\$5	n/a	\$5

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to accurately prepare and submit an updated UST registration and obtain a current TCEQ delivery certificate. The date required is 30 days prior to the expiration date of the delivery certificate and the final date is the estimated date of compliance.

Avoided Costs

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

Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$100

TOTAL

\$5

Screening Date 20-Sep-2010

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PCW

Respondent CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expreso Bus Company

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

Case ID No. 40524

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101894681

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Elvia Maske

Violation Number 2

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.8(c)(5)(A)(i) and Tex. Water Code § 26.3467(a)

Violation Description

Failed to make available to a common carrier a valid, current TCEQ delivery certificate before accepting delivery of a regulated substance into the USTs. Specifically, one fuel delivery was accepted without a delivery certificate.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

Release	Harm			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
Actual				5%
Potential			x	

>> Programmatic Matrix

Matrix Notes	Falsification			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
Human health or the environment will or could be exposed to insignificant amounts of pollutants which would not exceed levels that are protective of human health or environmental receptors as a result of the violation.				0%

Adjustment \$9,500

\$500

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 Number of violation days 142

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

Violation Base Penalty \$500

One single event is recommended.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0% Reduction

\$0

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

Notes The Respondent does not meet the good faith criteria for this violation.

Violation Subtotal \$500

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$0

Violation Final Penalty Total \$500

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$500

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expreso Bus Company
Case ID No. 40524
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101894681
Media Petroleum Storage Tank
Violation No. 2

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

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

Delayed Costs

Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs

Economic benefit is included in violation no. 1.

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 \$0

TOTAL \$0

Screening Date 20-Sep-2010

Docket No. 2010-1666-PST-E

PCW

Respondent CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expro Bus Company

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

Case ID No. 40524

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101894681

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Elvia Maske

Violation Number 3

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.50(b)(1)(A), (d)(1)(B)(ii), and (d)(1)(B)(iii)(I) and Tex. Water Code § 26.3475(c)(1)

Violation Description

Failed to monitor the USTs for releases at a frequency of at least once per month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring). Failed to conduct reconciliation of detailed inventory control at least once each month, in a manner sufficiently accurate to detect a release which equals or exceeds the sum of 1.0% of the total substance flow-through for the month plus 130 gallons. Also, failed to record inventory volume measurement for the regulated substance inputs, withdrawals, and the amount still remaining in the tank each operating day.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

Release	Harm		
	Major	Moderate	Minor
Actual			
Potential	x		

Percent 25%

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Harm		
	Major	Moderate	Minor

Percent 0%

Matrix Notes

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 \$7,500

\$2,500

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1

75 Number of violation days

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 based on documentation of the violation during the July 7, 2010 investigation to the September 20, 2010 screening date.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0% Reduction

\$0

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

Notes

The Respondent does not meet the good faith criteria for this violation.

Violation Subtotal \$2,500

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$55

Violation Final Penalty Total \$2,500

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$2,500

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expreso Bus Company
Case ID No. 40524
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101894681
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
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)	\$1,500	7-Jul-2010	1-Apr-2011	0.73	\$55	n/a	\$55

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to provide release detection for the USTs including recording daily volume measurement and monthly reconciliation of inventory control records. Date required is the investigation date and the final date is the estimated date of compliance.

Avoided Costs

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

Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$1,500

TOTAL

\$55

Compliance History Report

Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator:	CN603730227 CUSA EE, LLC	Classification: AVERAGE	Rating: 3.01
Regulated Entity:	RN101894681 El Expreso Bus Company	Classification: AVERAGE	Site Rating: 3.01
ID Number(s):	PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION STORMWATER PERMIT	REGISTRATION TXR05S729	20545
Location:	812 DELANO ST, HOUSTON, TX, 77003		
TCEQ Region:	REGION 12 - HOUSTON		
Date Compliance History Prepared:	November 05, 2010		
Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:	Enforcement		
Compliance Period:	November 05, 2005 to November 05, 2010		
TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding this Compliance History			
Name:	Elvia Maske	Phone:	(512) 239-0789

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?

OWNOPR	CUSA EE, LLC	
OPR	CUSA EE, LLC	
4. If Yes, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)?

OWN	CUSA EE, LLC	
OWNOPR	Coach America Holdings, Inc.	
OWNOPR	Kerville Bus Company, Inc.	
OPR	Sporran EE, Inc.	
5. When did the change(s) in owner or operator occur?

03/11/2008	OPR	Sporran EE, Inc.
04/01/2009	OWNOPR	Kerville Bus Company, Inc.
04/02/2009	OWN	Coach America Holdings, Inc.
6. Rating Date: 9/1/2010 Repeat Violator: NO

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.)
09/03/2010 (850535)
 - E. Written notices of violations (NOV). (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)
N/A
 - 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
CUSA EE, LLC DBA EL EXPRESO
BUS COMPANY
RN101894681**

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**BEFORE THE
TEXAS COMMISSION ON
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

**AGREED ORDER
DOCKET NO. 2010-1666-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 CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expreso Bus Company ("the Respondent") under the authority of TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7 and 26. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent appear before the Commission and together stipulate that:

1. The Respondent operates a bus station with underground storage tanks ("USTs") at 812 Delano Street in Houston, Harris County, Texas (the "Facility").
2. The Respondent's six USTs are not exempt or excluded from regulation under the Texas Water Code or the rules of the Commission
3. The Commission and the Respondent agree that the Commission has jurisdiction to enter this Agreed Order, and that the Respondent is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
4. The Respondent received notice of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations") on or about September 8, 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 Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid Three Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$3,200) of the administrative penalty and Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. The deferred amount will be waived upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty.
7. Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
8. The Executive Director of the TCEQ and the Respondent have agreed on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to the approval of the Commission.
9. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
10. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.
11. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

II. ALLEGATIONS

As owner and operator of the Facility, the Respondent is alleged to have:

1. Failed to timely renew a previously issued UST delivery certificate by submitting a properly completed UST registration and self-certification form at least 30 days before the expiration date, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(4)(A)(vii) and (c)(5)(B)(ii), as documented during an investigation conducted on July 7, 2010. Specifically, the prior UST delivery certificate expired on May 31, 2010.
2. Failed to make available to a common carrier a valid, current TCEQ delivery certificate before accepting delivery of a regulated substance into the USTs, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(5)(A)(i) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3467(a), as documented during an investigation conducted on July 7, 2010. Specifically, one fuel delivery was accepted without a delivery certificate.
3. Failed to monitor the USTs for releases at a frequency of at least once per month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring), in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(1)(A) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1), as documented during an investigation conducted on July 7, 2010.

4. Failed to conduct reconciliation of detailed inventory control at least once each month, in a manner sufficiently accurate to detect a release which equals or exceeds the sum of 1.0% of the total substance flow-through for the month plus 130 gallons, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(d)(1)(B)(ii) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1), as documented during an investigation conducted on July 7, 2010.
5. Failed to record inventory volume measurement for the regulated substance inputs, withdrawals, and the amount still remaining in the tank each operating day, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(d)(1)(B)(iii)(I) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1), as documented during an investigation conducted on July 7, 2010.

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: CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expreso Bus Company, Docket No. 2010-1666-PST-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section
Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13088
Austin, Texas 78711-3088

2. It is further ordered that the Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
 - a. Immediately upon the effective date of this Agreed Order, cease accepting fuel until such time as a valid delivery certificate is obtained from the TCEQ by submitting a properly completed UST registration and self-certification form for the USTs, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.7 and 334.8 to:

Registration and Reporting Section
Permitting & Registration Support Division
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

- b. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, implement a release detection method for all USTs at the Facility, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50; and
- c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit written certification as described below, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision Nos. 2.a. and 2.b. The certification shall be notarized by a State of Texas Notary Public and include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The certification shall be submitted to:

Order Compliance Team
Enforcement Division, MC 149A
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

with a copy to:

Manager, Waste Section
Houston Regional Office
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
5425 Polk Avenue, Suite H
Houston, Texas 77023-1486

3. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Facility operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
4. If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Agreed Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Agreed Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
5. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Agreed Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Agreed Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the

Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.

6. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Agreed Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
7. This 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.
8. Under 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(b), the effective date is the date of hand-delivery of the Order to the Respondent, or three days after the date on which the Commission mails notice of the Order to the Respondent, whichever is earlier. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this Agreed Order to each of the parties.

SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission

John Szolier
For the Executive Director

3/15/2011
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.

George Southern
Signature

3-15-2011
Date

George Southern
Name (Printed or typed)
Authorized Representative of
CUSA EE, LLC dba El Expreso Bus Company

VP
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.