

**CAPTION: Docket No. 2010-1704-PST-E. Consideration of an Agreed Order assessing administrative penalties and requiring certain actions of Ruben Zumaya in Montgomery County; RN101727964; for petroleum storage tank violations pursuant to Tex. Water Code chs. 7 and 26 and the rules of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, including specifically 30 Texas Administrative Code ch. 60. (Jorge Ibarra, Laurie Eaves)**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER**  
**DOCKET NO.:** 2010-1704-PST-E **TCEQ ID:** RN101727964 **CASE NO.:** 40563  
**RESPONDENT NAME:** Ruben Zumaya

<b>ORDER TYPE:</b>		
<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	

<b>CASE TYPE:</b>		
<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

**SITE WHERE VIOLATION(S) OCCURRED:** Property at 27536 East River Road, Splendora, Montgomery County

**TYPE OF OPERATION:** Property with an inactive underground storage tank

**SMALL BUSINESS:**  Yes  No

**OTHER SIGNIFICANT MATTERS:** There are no complaints. There is no record of additional pending enforcement actions regarding this facility location.

**INTERESTED PARTIES:** No one other than the ED and the Respondent has expressed an interest in this matter.

**COMMENTS RECEIVED:** The *Texas Register* comment period expired on April 18, 2011. No comments were received.

**CONTACTS AND MAILING LIST:**  
**TCEQ Attorney/SEP Coordinator:** None  
**TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Mr. Jorge Ibarra, P.E., Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 3, MC R-04, (817) 588-5890; Ms. Laurie Eaves, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-4495  
**Respondent:** Mr. Ruben Zumaya, Owner, Harvest Acres Superette, 27538 East River Road, Splendora, Texas 77372  
**Respondent's Attorney:** Not represented by counsel on this enforcement matter

**VIOLATION SUMMARY CHART:**

VIOLATION INFORMATION	PENALTY CONSIDERATIONS	CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TAKEN/REQUIRED
<p><b>Type of Investigation:</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Complaint  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Routine  <input type="checkbox"/> Enforcement Follow-up  <input type="checkbox"/> Records Review</p> <p><b>Date(s) of Complaints Relating to this Case:</b> None</p> <p><b>Date of Investigation Relating to this Case:</b> September 15, 2010</p> <p><b>Date of NOV/NOE Relating to this Case:</b> October 8, 2010 (NOE)</p> <p><b>Background Facts:</b> This was a routine investigation.</p> <p><b>WASTE</b></p> <p>1) Failed to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed upgrade implementation date, an underground storage tank ("UST") system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirements [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.47(a)(2)].</p> <p>2) Failed to notify the agency of any change or additional information regarding the UST within 30 days of the occurrence of the change. Specifically, the registration was not updated to reflect the current ownership information [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.7(d)(3)].</p>	<p><b>Total Assessed:</b> \$3,850</p> <p><b>Total Deferred:</b> \$770  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expedited Settlement  <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Inability to Pay</p> <p><b>SEP Conditional Offset:</b> \$0</p> <p><b>Total Paid (Due) to General Revenue:</b> \$136 (remaining \$2,944 due in 23 monthly payments of \$128 each)</p> <p><b>Compliance History Classifications:</b>                      Person/CN - Average                      Site/RN - Average</p> <p><b>Major Source:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>Applicable Penalty Policy:</b> September 2002</p>	<p><b>Ordering Provisions:</b></p> <p>The Order will require the Respondent to:</p> <p>a. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order:</p> <p>i. Permanently remove the UST system from service;</p> <p>ii. Submit an amended registration to reflect the current ownership information and tank status; and</p> <p>b. 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.i. and a.ii.</p>

Additional ID No(s): PST 20470



# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

**TCEQ**

<b>DATES</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	11-Oct-2010			
	<b>PCW</b>	18-Oct-2010	<b>Screening</b>	14-Oct-2010	<b>EPA Due</b>

<b>RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION</b>					
<b>Respondent</b>	Ruben Zumaya				
<b>Reg. Ent. Ref. No.</b>	RN101727964				
<b>Facility/Site Region</b>	12-Houston	<b>Major/Minor Source</b>	Minor		

<b>CASE INFORMATION</b>					
<b>Enf./Case ID No.</b>	40563	<b>No. of Violations</b>	2		
<b>Docket No.</b>	2010-1704-PST-E	<b>Order Type</b>	1660		
<b>Media Program(s)</b>	Petroleum Storage Tank	<b>Government/Non-Profit</b>	No		
<b>Multi-Media</b>		<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	Jordan Jones		
		<b>EC's Team</b>	Enforcement Team 3		
<b>Admin. Penalty \$</b>	<b>Limit Minimum</b>	\$0	<b>Maximum</b>	\$10,000	

## Penalty Calculation Section

**TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)** **Subtotal 1**

### ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

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

**Compliance History**  Enhancement **Subtotals 2, 3, & 7**

Notes

**Culpability**   Enhancement **Subtotal 4**

Notes

**Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments** **Subtotal 5**

**Economic Benefit**  Enhancement\* **Subtotal 6**

Total EB Amounts   
Approx. Cost of Compliance  \*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

**SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7** **Final Subtotal**

**OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE**  **Adjustment**

Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes

**Final Penalty Amount**

**STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT** **Final Assessed Penalty**

**DEFERRAL**  Reduction **Adjustment**

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

Notes

**PAYABLE PENALTY**

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Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Jordan Jones

### 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> )	2	10%
	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) 10%

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

No

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3) 0%

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

Average Performer

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) 0%

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

Enhancement for two NOVs with same/similar violations.

Total Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7) 10%

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Enf. Coordinator Jordan Jones

Violation Number 1

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.47(a)(2)

Violation Description Failed to permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed upgrade implementation date, an underground storage tank ("UST") system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirements.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

Table with columns: Release (Actual, Potential), Harm (Major, Moderate, Minor), Percent (25%).

>> Programmatic Matrix

Table with columns: Falsification, 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 Number of violation days 33

Table for frequency: daily, weekly, monthly (marked with x), quarterly, semiannual, annual, single event.

Violation Base Penalty \$2,500

One monthly event is recommended from the September 15, 2010 investigation date to the October 14, 2010 screening date.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0% Reduction \$0

Table for Good Faith Efforts: Extraordinary, Ordinary, N/A (marked 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 \$1,021

Violation Final Penalty Total \$2,750

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$2,750

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** Ruben Zumaya  
**Case ID No.** 40563  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN101727964  
**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)	\$5,000	1-Aug-2007	31-Aug-2011	4.08	\$1,021	n/a	\$1,021

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to permanently remove from service one UST with a capacity of 4000 gallons. The Date Required is the date when the Respondent assumed ownership and was required to upgrade the UST system 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

\$5,000

**TOTAL**

\$1,021

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PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101727964

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Jordan Jones

Violation Number 2

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

Violation Description Failed to notify the agency of any change or additional information regarding the UST within 30 days of the occurrence of the change. Specifically, the registration was not updated to reflect the current ownership information.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

Release	Harm			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
Actual				0%
Potential				

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Harm			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
	x			10%

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

Adjustment \$9,000

\$1,000

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 33 Number of violation days

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

Violation Base Penalty \$1,000

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 \$1,000

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$5

Violation Final Penalty Total \$1,100

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$1,100

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** Ruben Zumaya  
**Case ID No.** 40563  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN101727964  
**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)	\$100	15-Sep-2010	31-Aug-2011	0.96	\$5	n/a	\$5

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to accurately prepare and submit an updated UST registration. The 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

\$100

**TOTAL**

\$5

# Compliance History Report

Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator: CN603225145 ZUMAYA, RUBEN Classification: AVERAGE Rating: 4.00  
Regulated Entity: RN101727964 HARVEST ACRES SUPERETTE Classification: AVERAGE Site Rating: 4.00  
ID Number(s): PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION REGISTRATION 20470  
Location: 27536 E RIVER RD, SPLENDORA, TX, 77372  
TCEQ Region: REGION 12 - HOUSTON  
Date Compliance History Prepared: October 18, 2010  
Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement  
Compliance Period: October 18, 2005 to October 18, 2010  
TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding this Compliance History  
Name: Jordan Jones Phone: (512) 239-2569

## 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?
4. If Yes, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? OWNER Erickson Mary R.
5. When did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? 08/01/2007
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.)
  - 1 08/07/2007 (564037)
  - 2 07/02/2010 (829103)
  - 3 10/08/2010 (864123)
- E. Written notices of violations (NOV). (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)

Date: 08/08/2007 (564037) CN603225145

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

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

Description: Failure to provide amended registration for any change or additional information regarding USTs within 30 days from the date of the occurrence of the change or addition, or within 30 days of the date on which the owner or operator first became aware of the change or addition, as applicable.

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

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

Description: Failure to perform the permanent removal of an underground storage tank (UST) system that has not met upgrade requirements.

Date: 07/02/2010 (829103) CN603225145

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

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

Description: Failure to provide amended registration for any change or additional information regarding USTs within 30 days from the date of the occurrence of the change or addition, or within 30 days of the date on which the owner or operator first became aware of the change or addition, as applicable.

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

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

Description: Failure to perform the permanent removal of an underground storage tank (UST) system that has not met upgrade requirements.
- F. Environmental audits.  
N/A
- G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs).  
N/A
- H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates.  
N/A
- I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program.  
N/A
- J. Early compliance.

N/A

K. Sites Outside of Texas

N/A

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



**IN THE MATTER OF AN  
ENFORCEMENT ACTION  
CONCERNING  
RUBEN ZUMAYA  
RN101727964**

**§       BEFORE THE  
§  
§       TEXAS COMMISSION ON  
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§       ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

## **AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2010-1704-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 Ruben Zumaya ("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 owns property with an inactive underground storage tank ("UST") at 27536 East River Road in Splendora, Montgomery County, Texas (the "Facility").
2. The Respondent's one UST is 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 October 13, 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 Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$3,850) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid One Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars (\$136) of the administrative penalty and Seven Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$770) 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, including payment schedule, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty.

The remaining amount of Two Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Four Dollars (\$2,944) of the administrative penalty shall be payable in 23 monthly payments of One Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars (\$128) each. The next monthly payment shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order. The subsequent payments shall each be paid not later than 30 days following the due date of the previous payment until paid in full. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with the payment requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may, at the Executive Director's option, accelerate the maturity of the remaining installments, in which event the unpaid balance shall become immediately due and payable without demand or notice.

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 permanently remove from service, no later than 60 days after the prescribed upgrade implementation date, a UST system for which any applicable component of the system is not brought into timely compliance with the upgrade requirements, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.47(a)(2), as documented during an investigation conducted on September 15, 2010.

2. Failed to notify the agency of any change or additional information regarding the UST within 30 days of the occurrence of the change, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.7(d)(3), as documented during an investigation conducted on September 15, 2010. Specifically, the registration was not updated to reflect the current ownership information.

### 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: Ruben Zumaya, Docket No. 2010-1704-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. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order:
    - i. Permanently remove the UST system from service, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.55; and
    - ii. Submit an amended registration to reflect the current ownership information and tank status, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.7 to:

Registration and Reporting Section  
Permitting & Registration Support Division, MC 138  
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
P.O. Box 12087  
Austin, Texas 78711-308700

- b. 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 Provisions Nos. 2.a.i. and 2.a.ii. 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:

Waste Section, Manager  
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.

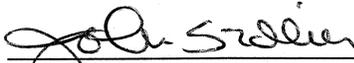
The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.

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

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For the Commission

  
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For the Executive Director

4/1/2011  
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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.

  
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Signature

02/07/2011 <sup>ORZ</sup>  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

RUBEN ZUMAYA, AH  
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Name (Printed or typed)  
Authorized Representative of  
Ruben Zumaya

OWNER  
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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.