

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – ENFORCEMENT MATTER – CASE NO. 42717  
DES Corporation d/b/a Nocona Fina Mart  
RN102477742  
Docket No. 2011-1869-PST-E

**Order Type:**  
Default Order

**Findings Order Justification:**  
N/A

**Media:**  
PST

**Small Business:**  
Yes

**Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:**  
111 East Highway 82, Nocona, Montague County

**Type of Operation:**  
convenience store with retail sales of gasoline

**Other Significant Matters:**

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions:	None
Past-Due Penalties:	None
Past-Due Fees:	None
Other:	None
Interested Third-Parties:	None

**Texas Register Publication Date:** May 11, 2012

**Comments Received:** None

**Penalty Information**

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$9,987

**Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$0

**Total Due to General Revenue:** \$9,987

**Compliance History Classifications:**

Person/CN – Average  
Site/RN – Average by Default

**Major Source:** No

**Statutory Limit Adjustment:** N/A

**Applicable Penalty Policy:** September 2002

**Investigation Information**

**Complaint Date(s):** N/A  
**Date(s) of Investigation:** March 7, 2011; September 23, 2011  
**Date(s) of NOV(s):** N/A  
**Date(s) of NOE(s):** September 23, 2011

**Violation Information**

1. Failed to 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 [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(4)(A)(vii) and (c)(5)(B)(ii)].
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 [TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3467(a) and 30 TEX. ADMIN CODE § 334.8(c)(5)(A)(i)].
3. Failed to provide proper corrosion protection for the UST system [TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(d) and 30 TEX. ADMIN CODE § 334.49(a)(1)].
4. Failed to monitor the USTs for releases at a frequency of at least once per month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring), and by failing to provide proper release detection for the pressurized piping associated with the USTs [TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(a) and (c)(1) and 30 TEX. ADMIN CODE § 334.50(b)(1)(A) and (b)(2)].

**Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements**

**Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

As of January 1, 2012, Respondent no longer owns or operates the Facility.

**Technical Requirements:**

N/A

**Litigation Information**

**Date Petition(s) Filed:** February 1, 2012  
**Date(s) Green Card(s) Signed:** February 6, 2012  
**Date(s) Answer(s) Filed:** N/A

**Contact Information**

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**Respondent:** Mr. Dondi Dennis, Director, DES Corporation, 208 Cooke Street, Nocona, Texas 76255;  
Mr. Dondi Dennis, Director, DES Corporation, 111 East Highway 82, Nocona, Texas 76255

**Respondent's Attorney:** N/A



# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

**TCEQ**

<b>DATES</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	26-Sep-2011	<b>Screening</b>	7-Oct-2011	<b>EPA Due</b>	
	<b>PCW</b>	9-Jan-2012				

<b>RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Respondent</b>	DES Corporation dba Nocona Fina Mart
<b>Reg. Ent. Ref. No.</b>	RN102477742
<b>Facility/Site Region</b>	3-Abilene
<b>Major/Minor Source</b>	Minor

<b>CASE INFORMATION</b>			
<b>Enf./Case ID No.</b>	42717	<b>No. of Violations</b>	4
<b>Docket No.</b>	2011-1869-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>	Keith Frank
		<b>EC's Team</b>	Enforcement Team 7
<b>Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum</b>	\$0	<b>Maximum</b>	\$10,000

## Penalty Calculation Section

<b>TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)</b>	<b>Subtotal 1</b>	\$9,500
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### ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

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

<b>Compliance History</b>	0.0% Enhancement	<b>Subtotals 2, 3, &amp; 7</b>	\$0
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<b>Notes</b>	No adjustment for compliance history.
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<b>Culpability</b>	No	0.0% Enhancement	<b>Subtotal 4</b>	\$0
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<b>Notes</b>	The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.
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<b>Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments</b>	<b>Subtotal 5</b>	\$0
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<b>Economic Benefit</b>	0.0% Enhancement*	<b>Subtotal 6</b>	\$0
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Total EB Amounts	\$1,135	*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount
Approx. Cost of Compliance	\$8,018	

<b>SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7</b>	<b>Final Subtotal</b>	\$9,500
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<b>OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE</b>	5.1%	<b>Adjustment</b>	\$487
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Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

<b>Notes</b>	Recommended enhancement to capture the avoided cost of compliance associated with violation nos. 1 and 4.
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<b>Final Penalty Amount</b>	\$9,987
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<b>STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT</b>	<b>Final Assessed Penalty</b>	\$9,987
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<b>DEFERRAL</b>	0.0% Reduction	<b>Adjustment</b>	\$0
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Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicted percentage. (Enter number only; e.g. 20 for 20% reduction.)

<b>Notes</b>	Deferral not offered for non-expedited settlement.
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<b>PAYABLE PENALTY</b>	\$9,987
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**PCW**

**Respondent** DES Corporation dba Nocona Fina Mart

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*PCW Revision October 30, 2008*

**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN102477742

**Media [Statute]** Petroleum Storage Tank

**Enf. Coordinator** Keith Frank

### 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%

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PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102477742

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Keith Frank

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 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 delivery certificate expired on April 30, 2008.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR	Release	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
	Actual				0%
	Potential				

>> Programmatic Matrix

Matrix Notes	Falsification	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
		x			10%
100% of the rule requirement was not met.					

Adjustment \$9,000

\$1,000

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 4 1255 Number of violation days

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

Violation Base Penalty \$4,000

Four annual events are recommended.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

	0.0% Reduction	
	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 \$4,000

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$364 Violation Final Penalty Total \$4,205

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$4,205

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** DES Corporation dba Nocona Fina Mart  
**Case ID No.** 42717  
**Req. Ent. Reference No.** RN102477742  
**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	7-Mar-2011	22-Jun-2012	1.30	\$6	n/a	\$6

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to accurately prepare and submit an updated UST registration and obtain a valid TCEQ delivery certificate. Date Required is the investigation date. 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]	\$300	3-Apr-2008	7-Mar-2011	3.84	\$58	\$300	\$358
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Estimated avoided cost (\$100 per full year) to accurately prepare and submit an updated UST registration and obtain a valid TCEQ delivery certificate. Date Required is the date of ownership change. Final Date is the investigation date.

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$400

**TOTAL**

\$364

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Respondent DES Corporation dba Nocona Fina Mart

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PCW Revision October 30, 2008

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Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Keith Frank

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, the Respondent received one delivery of fuel without a delivery certificate.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

Table with columns: Release (Actual, Potential), Harm (Major, Moderate, Minor), Percent (5%).

>> Programmatic Matrix

Table with columns: Falsification, Major, Moderate, Minor, Percent (0%).

Matrix Notes 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.

Adjustment \$9,500

\$500

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 Number of violation days 1

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

Violation Base Penalty \$500

One single event is recommended for accepting one fuel delivery.

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 \$500

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$0 Violation Final Penalty Total \$526

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$526

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** DES Corporation dba Nocona Fina Mart  
**Case ID No.** 42717  
**Req. Ent. Reference No.** RN102477742  
**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

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Respondent DES Corporation dba Nocona Fina Mart

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PCW Revision October 30, 2008

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Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Keith Frank

Violation Number 3

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.49(a)(1) and Tex. Water Code § 26.3475(d)

Violation Description Failed to provide proper corrosion protection for the UST system.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

Release	Harm			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
Actual				25%
Potential	x			

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
				0%

Matrix Notes Human health or the environment will or could be exposed to 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 14 Number of violation days

daily	
weekly	
monthly	x
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	

mark only one with an x

Violation Base Penalty \$2,500

One monthly event is recommended based on documentation of the violation during the September 23, 2011 record review to the October 7, 2011 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 \$544

Violation Final Penalty Total \$2,628

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$2,628

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** DES Corporation dba Nocona Fina Mart  
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**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	\$6,000	7-Mar-2011	22-Jun-2012	1.30	\$26	\$518	\$544
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

Estimated cost to provide proper corrosion protection for the UST system. Date Required is the investigation date. 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

\$6,000

**TOTAL**

\$544

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Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Keith Frank

Violation Number 4

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.50(b)(1)(A) and (b)(2) and Tex. Water Code § 26.3475(a) and (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). Also, failed to provide proper release detection for the pressurized piping associated with the USTs. Specifically, the Respondent did not conduct the annual piping tightness and line leak detector tests for the piping associated with the UST system.

Base Penalty \$10,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

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

>> Programmatic Matrix

Matrix Notes	Falsification	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
					0%
Human health or the environment will or could be exposed to pollutants which would exceed levels that are protective of human health or environmental receptors as a result of the violation.					

Adjustment \$7,500

\$2,500

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 14 Number of violation days

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

Violation Base Penalty \$2,500

One monthly event is recommended based on documentation of the violation during the September 23, 2011 record review to the October 7, 2011 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 \$227

Violation Final Penalty Total \$2,628

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$2,628

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

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**Media** Petroleum Storage Tank  
**Violation No.** 4

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-Mar-2011	22-Jun-2012	1.30	\$97	n/a	\$97

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to provide release detection for the USTs. Date Required is the investigation date. 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]	\$118	7-Mar-2010	7-Mar-2011	1.92	\$11	\$118	\$129
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Estimated avoided cost for conducting the annual piping tightness and line leak detector tests. Date Required is one year prior to the investigation date. Final Date is the investigation date.

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$1,618

**TOTAL**

\$227

# Compliance History

Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator: CN603939430 DES Corporation Classification: AVERAGE Rating: 3.01  
Regulated Entity: RN102477742 Nocona Fina Mart Classification: AVERAGE BY DEFAULT Site Rating: 3.01  
ID Number(s): PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION REGISTRATION 65900  
Location: 111 E HIGHWAY 82, NOCONA, TX, 76255  
TCEQ Region: REGION 03 - ABILENE  
Date Compliance History Prepared: October 07, 2011  
Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement  
Compliance Period: October 07, 2006 to October 07, 2011  
TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding this Compliance History:  
Name: Keith Frank Phone: (512) 239-1203

## 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? Kountry Korner Store, Inc.  
DES Corporation
4. If Yes, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? Sandford Oil Company Inc  
PIGG, TIM
5. When did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? 04/03/2008
6. Rating Date: 9/1/2011 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 09/23/2011 (919702)
  - 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
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# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



**IN THE MATTER OF AN  
ENFORCEMENT ACTION  
CONCERNING  
DES CORPORATION D/B/A  
NOCONA FINA MART;  
RN102477742**

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**BEFORE THE  
TEXAS COMMISSION ON  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

## **DEFAULT ORDER**

**DOCKET NO. 2011-1869-PST-E**

At its \_\_\_\_\_ agenda meeting, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("Commission" or "TCEQ") considered the Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition filed pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7 and 26 and the rules of the TCEQ, which requests appropriate relief, including the imposition of an administrative penalty and corrective action of the respondent. The respondent made the subject of this Order is DES Corporation d/b/a Nocona Fina Mart ("Respondent").

The Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Respondent owned and operated, as defined in 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.2(73) and (70), an underground storage tank ("UST") system and a convenience store with retail sales of gasoline located at 111 East Highway 82 in Nocona, Montague County, Texas (the "Facility"). The USTs at the Facility are not exempt or excluded from regulation under the Texas Water Code or the rules of the Commission, and contain a regulated petroleum substance as defined in the rules of the TCEQ.
2. During an investigation conducted on March 7, 2011, and a record review conducted on September 23, 2011, a University of Texas at Arlington Petroleum Storage Tank investigator documented that Respondent:
  - a. Failed to 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. Specifically, the delivery certificate expired on April 30, 2008;
  - b. 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, Respondent received one delivery of fuel without a delivery certificate;
  - c. Failed to provide proper corrosion protection for the UST system; and
  - d. Failed to monitor the USTs for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring), and failed to provide proper release detection for the pressurized piping associated with

the USTs. Specifically, Respondent did not conduct the annual piping tightness and line leak detector tests for the piping associated with the UST system.

3. Respondent received notice of the violations on or about September 28, 2011.
4. The Executive Director recognizes that as of January 1, 2012, Respondent no longer owns or operates the Facility.
5. The Executive Director filed the "Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition Recommending that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enter an Enforcement Order Assessing an Administrative Penalty Against and Requiring Certain Actions of DES Corporation d/b/a Nocona Fina Mart" (the "EDPRP") in the TCEQ Chief Clerk's office on February 1, 2012.
6. By letter dated February 1, 2012, sent to Respondent's last known address via certified mail, return receipt requested, and via first class mail, postage prepaid, the Executive Director served Respondent with notice of the EDPRP. According to the return receipt "green card," Respondent received notice of the EDPRP on February 6, 2012, as evidenced by the signature on the card.
7. More than 20 days have elapsed since Respondent received notice of the EDPRP. Respondent failed to file an answer and failed to request a hearing.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 1, Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEQ pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE ch. 26 and the rules of the Commission.
2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.a., Respondent failed to 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).
3. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.b., Respondent 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 TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3467(a) and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(5)(A)(i).
4. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.c., Respondent failed to provide proper corrosion protection for the UST system, in violation of TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(d) and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.49(a)(1).
5. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.d., Respondent failed to monitor the USTs for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring), and failed to provide proper release detection for the pressurized piping associated with the USTs, in violation of TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(a) and (c)(1) and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(1)(A) and (b)(2).

6. As evidenced by Findings of Fact Nos. 5 and 6, the Executive Director timely served Respondent with proper notice of the EDPRP, as required by TEX. WATER CODE § 7.055 and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.104(a)
7. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 7, Respondent failed to file a timely answer as required by TEX. WATER CODE § 7.056 and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.105. Pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 7.057 and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.106, the Commission may enter a Default Order against Respondent and assess the penalty recommended by the Executive Director.
8. Pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 7.051, the Commission has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against Respondent for violations of state statutes within the Commission's jurisdiction, for violations of rules adopted under such statutes, or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
9. An administrative penalty in the amount of nine thousand nine hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$9,987.00) is justified by the facts recited in this Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in TEX. WATER CODE § 7.053.
10. TEX. WATER CODE §§ 5.102 and 7.002 authorize the Commission to issue orders and make determinations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the statutes within its jurisdiction.

#### **ORDERING PROVISIONS**

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ORDERS that:

1. Respondent is assessed an administrative penalty in the amount of nine thousand nine hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$9,987.00) for violations of state statutes and rules of the TCEQ. The payment of this administrative penalty and Respondent's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Order completely resolve the matters set forth by this Order in this action. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective actions or penalties for other violations which are not raised here.
2. The administrative penalty assessed by this Order shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Order. All checks submitted to pay the penalty imposed by this Order shall be made out to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: DES Corporation d/b/a Nocona Fina Mart; Docket No. 2011-1869-PST-E" to:

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

3. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
4. The provisions of this Order shall apply to and be binding upon Respondent.

5. If Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Order. Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
6. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.
7. The Executive Director may refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings without notice to Respondent if the Executive Director determines that Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Order.
8. This Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Order, whichever is later.
9. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this Order to each of the parties. By law, the effective date of this Order shall be the date the Order is final, as provided by 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.106(d) and TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2001.144.

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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For the Commission

**AFFIDAVIT OF RUDY CALDERON**

**STATE OF TEXAS**

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**COUNTY OF TRAVIS**

"My name is Rudy Calderon. I am of sound mind, capable of making this affidavit, and the facts stated in this affidavit are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

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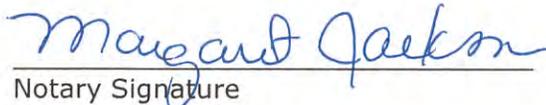
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Rudy Calderon, Staff Attorney  
Office of Legal Services, Litigation Division  
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Rudy Calderon, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration herein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 25th day of April, A.D. 2012.



Notary Signature

