

Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 45089
DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY dba Lone Star 97
RN102648334
Docket No. 2012-1965-PST-E

Order Type:

1660 Agreed Order

Findings Order Justification:

N/A

Media:

PST

Small Business:

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Lone Star 97, 700 South Stemmons Freeway, Denton, Denton County

Type of Operation:

Convenience store with retail sales of gasoline

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: January 25, 2013

Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$7,779

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$1,555

Amount Deferred for Financial Inability to Pay: \$0

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$267

Total Due to General Revenue: \$5,957

Payment Plan: 23 payments of \$259 each

SEP Conditional Offset: \$0

Name of SEP: N/A

Compliance History Classifications:

Person/CN - Satisfactory

Site/RN - Satisfactory

Major Source: Yes

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A

Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2011

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Investigation Information

Complaint Date(s): N/A
Complaint Information: N/A
Date(s) of Investigation: April 19, 2012
Date(s) of NOE(s): September 19, 2012

Violation Information

Failed to provide proper release detection for the pressurized piping associated with the underground storage tanks ("USTs"). Specifically, Respondent did not conduct the annual piping tightness and line leak detector tests [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(2) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(a)].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

N/A

Technical Requirements:

The Order will require Respondent to:

- a. Within 30 days, implement a release detection method for the pressurized piping associated with the UST system at the Facility; and
- b. Within 45 days, submit written certification demonstrating compliance with Ordering Provision a.

Litigation Information

Date Petition(s) Filed: N/A
Date Answer(s) Filed: N/A
SOAH Referral Date: N/A
Hearing Date(s): N/A
Settlement Date: N/A

Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A
TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Keith Frank, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 7, MC 128, (512) 239-1203; Debra Barber, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-0412
TCEQ SEP Coordinator: N/A
Respondent: William Douglass, Managing Partner, DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY, P.O. Box 1124, Sherman, Texas 75091-1124
Respondent's Attorney: N/A



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 3 (September 2011)

PCW Revision August 3, 2011

TCEQ

DATES Assigned PCW 24-Sep-2012
 1-Oct-2012 Screening 28-Sep-2012 EPA Due

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION

Respondent DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY dba Lone Star 97
 Reg. Ent. Ref. No. RN102648334
 Facility/Site Region 4-Dallas/Fort Worth Major/Minor Source Major

CASE INFORMATION

Enf./Case ID No. 45089 No. of Violations 1
 Docket No. 2012-1965-PST-E Order Type 1660
 Media Program(s) Petroleum Storage Tank Government/Non-Profit No
 Multi-Media EC's Team Keith Frank
 Enforcement Team 7
 Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum \$0 Maximum \$25,000

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 2.0% Enhancement Subtotals 2, 3, & 7

Notes

Culpability No 0.0% Enhancement Subtotal 4

Notes

Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments Subtotal 5

Economic Benefit 0.0% 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 1.7% Adjustment

Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes

Final Penalty Amount

STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT Final Assessed Penalty

DEFERRAL 20.0% Reduction Adjustment

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

Notes

PAYABLE PENALTY

Screening Date 28-Sep-2012

Docket No. 2012-1965-PST-E

PCW

DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY dba Lone

Respondent Star 97

Policy Revision 3 (September 2011)

Case ID No. 45089

PCW Revision August 3, 2011

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102648334

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	1	2%
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)

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3)

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7)

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

Enhancement for one NOV with dissimilar violations.

Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7)

>> Final Compliance History Adjustment

Final Adjustment Percentage *capped at 100%

Screening Date 28-Sep-2012

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PCW

Respondent DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY dba Lone Star 97

Policy Revision 3 (September 2011)

Case ID No. 45089

PCW Revision August 3, 2011

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102648334

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Keith Frank

Violation Number 1

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.50(b)(2) and Tex. Water Code § 26.3475(a)

Violation Description Failed to provide proper release detection for the pressurized piping associated with the underground storage tanks. Specifically, the Respondent did not conduct the annual piping tightness and line leak detector tests.

Base Penalty \$25,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

Table with columns: Release (Actual, Potential), Harm (Major, Moderate, Minor), and Percent (30.0%). Includes an 'OR' label.

>> Programmatic Matrix

Table with columns: Falsification, Major, Moderate, Minor, and Percent (0.0%).

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 \$17,500

\$7,500

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 Number of violation days 365

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

Violation Base Penalty \$7,500

One annual event is recommended for the 12-month period preceding the April 19, 2012 investigation.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0% Reduction Before NOV NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer \$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 \$7,500

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$129

Violation Final Penalty Total \$7,779

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$7,779

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY dba Lone Star 97
Case ID No. 45089
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102648334
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
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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

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	19-Apr-2011	19-Apr-2012	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

\$118

TOTAL

\$129

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TCEQ Compliance History Report

PENDING Compliance History Report for CN600251037, RN102648334, Rating Year 2012 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2007, through August 31, 2012.

Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator: CN600251037, DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY **Classification:** SATISFACTORY **Rating:** 7.01

Regulated Entity: RN102648334, Lone Star 97 **Classification:** SATISFACTORY **Rating:** 2.00

Complexity Points: 5 **Repeat Violator:** NO

CH Group: 14 - Other

Location: 700 S STEMMONS FWY, DENTON, TX 76205, DENTON COUNTY

TCEQ Region: REGION 04 - DFW METROPLEX

ID Number(s):

PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION 44356

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2007 to August 31, 2012 **Rating Year:** 2012 **Rating Date:** 09/01/2012

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: September 28, 2012

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: September 28, 2007 to September 28, 2012

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.

Name: Keith Frank

Phone: (512) 239-1203

Site and Owner/Operator History:

- 1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period? YES
- 2) Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period? NO
- 3) If **YES** for #2, who is the current owner/operator? N/A
- 4) If **YES** for #2, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? N/A
- 5) If **YES**, when did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? N/A

Components (Multimedia) for the Site Are Listed in Sections A - J

A. Final Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees:

N/A

B. Criminal convictions:

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

D. The approval dates of investigations (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

N/A

E. Written notices of violations (NOV) (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

A notice of violation represents a written allegation of a violation of a specific regulatory requirement from the commission to a regulated entity. A notice of violation is not a final enforcement action, nor proof that a violation has actually occurred.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



**IN THE MATTER OF AN
ENFORCEMENT ACTION
CONCERNING
DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING
COMPANY DBA LONE STAR 97
RN102648334**

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**BEFORE THE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

**AGREED ORDER
DOCKET NO. 2012-1965-PST-E**

I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On _____, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY dba Lone Star 97 ("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 together stipulate that:

1. The Respondent owns and operates a convenience store with retail sales of gasoline at 700 South Stemmons Freeway in Denton, Denton County, Texas (the "Facility").
2. The Respondent's two underground storage tanks ("USTs") are not exempt or excluded from regulation under the Texas Water Code or the rules of the Commission.
3. The Executive Director 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 24, 2012.
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 Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars (\$7,779) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid Two Hundred Sixty-Seven

Dollars (\$267) of the administrative penalty and One Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$1,555) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, including the payment schedule, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty.

The remaining amount of Five Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars (\$5,957) of the administrative penalty shall be payable in 23 monthly payments of Two Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$259) 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. In addition, the failure of the Respondent to meet the payment schedule of this Agreed Order constitutes the failure by the Respondent to timely and satisfactorily comply with all the terms of this Agreed Order.

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 and the Respondent agree on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to final approval in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(a).
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 failed to provide proper release detection for the pressurized piping associated with the USTs, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(2) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(a), as documented during an investigation conducted on April 19, 2012. Specifically, the Respondent did not conduct the annual piping tightness and line leak detector tests.

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: DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY dba Lone Star 97, Docket No. 2012-1965-PST-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations 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, implement a release detection method for the pressurized piping associated with the UST system at the Facility, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50; and
 - 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 Provision No. 2.a. 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
Dallas/Fort Worth Regional Office
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
2309 Gravel Drive
Fort Worth, Texas 76118-6951

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.

SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission

Pamela Davis

For the Executive Director

2/18/13

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.

W. P. DOUGLASS

Signature

12/7/12

Date

W. P. Douglas

Name (Printed or typed)

Authorized Representative of

DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY dba Lone Star 97

Managing Partner

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.