

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – ENFORCEMENT MATTER – CASE NO. 47413
La Maredia Investments Nome LLC d/b/a Big D's
RN104949797
Docket No. 2013-1519-PST-E

Order Type:

Agreed Order

Media:

Petroleum Storage Tank

Small Business:

Yes

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

1043 Highway 90 E, Nome, Jefferson 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: July 4, 2014

Comments Received: None

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$10,125

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$290

Total Due to General Revenue: \$9,835

Payment Plan: 35 payments of \$281 each

Compliance History Classifications:

Person/CN – High
Site/RN – High

Major Source: Yes

Statutory Limit Adjustment: None

Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2011

Investigation Information

Complaint Date(s): N/A
Date(s) of Investigation: May 31, 2013
Date(s) of NOV(s): N/A
Date(s) of NOE(s): July 24, 2014

Violation Information

1. Failed to monitor the USTs for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring) [TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1) and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(1)(A)].
2. Failed to maintain UST records and make them immediately available for inspection upon request by agency personnel [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.10(b)].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:
None

Technical Requirements:

1. Immediately begin maintaining all UST records and ensure they are made immediately available for inspection upon request by agency personnel.
2. Within 30 days implement a release detection method for all USTs at the Facility.
3. Within 45 days submit written certification to demonstrate compliance.

Litigation Information

Date Petition(s) Filed: March 17, 2014
Date Answer(s) Filed: April 4, 2014
Settlement Date: June 2, 2014

Contact Information

TCEQ Attorneys: J. Amber Ahmed, Litigation Division, (512) 239-3400
Lena Roberts, Litigation Division, (512) 239-3400
Aaron Tucker, Public Interest Counsel, (512) 239-6363

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Steven VanLandingham, Enforcement Division, (512) 239-5717

TCEQ Regional Contact: Marilyn Gates, Beaumont Regional Office, (409) 899-8721

Respondent: Riyaz Maredia, Managing Member, La Maredia Investments Nome LLC, P.O. Box H, Nome, Texas 77629

Respondent's Attorney: N/A



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 3 (September 2011)

PCW Revision August 3, 2011

TCEQ

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|--------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| DATES | Assigned | 12-Aug-2013 | | |
| | PCW | 14-Apr-2014 | Screening | 13-Aug-2013 |
| | | | EPA Due | |

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|
| Respondent | La Maredia Investments Nome LLC dba Big D's | | |
| Reg. Ent. Ref. No. | RN104949797 | | |
| Facility/Site Region | 10-Beaumont | Major/Minor Source | Major |

CASE INFORMATION

| | | | |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Enf./Case ID No. | 47413 | No. of Violations | 2 |
| Docket No. | 2013-1519-PST-E | Order Type | 1660 |
| Media Program(s) | Petroleum Storage Tank | Government/Non-Profit | No |
| Multi-Media | | Enf. Coordinator | Clinton Sims |
| | | EC's Team | Enforcement Team 6 |
| Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum | \$0 | Maximum | \$25,000 |

Penalty Calculation Section

| | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties) | Subtotal 1 | \$11,250 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|

ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

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

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|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| Compliance History | -10.0% Enhancement | Subtotals 2, 3, & 7 | -\$1,125 |
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| Notes | Reduction for high performer classification. |
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|--------------------|----|------------------|-------------------|-----|
| Culpability | No | 0.0% Enhancement | Subtotal 4 | \$0 |
|--------------------|----|------------------|-------------------|-----|

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| Notes | The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria. |
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| Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments | Subtotal 5 | \$0 |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----|

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

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|----------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------|
| Total EB Amounts | \$212 | *Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount |
| Approx. Cost of Compliance | \$2,000 | |

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7 | Final Subtotal | \$10,125 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|----------|

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

Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

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| Notes | |
|--------------|--|

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|-----------------------------|----------|
| Final Penalty Amount | \$10,125 |
|-----------------------------|----------|

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|
| STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT | Final Assessed Penalty | \$10,125 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|

| | | | | |
|-----------------|--|-----------|-------------------|-----|
| DEFERRAL | | Reduction | Adjustment | \$0 |
|-----------------|--|-----------|-------------------|-----|

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

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|--------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Notes | Deferral not offered for non-expedited settlement. |
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| PAYABLE PENALTY | \$10,125 |
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Respondent La Maredia Investments Nome LLC dba Big D's

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PCW Revision August 3, 2011

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN104949797

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Clinton Sims

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)**

High Performer

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) -10%

>> **Compliance History Summary**

Compliance History Notes

Reduction for high performer classification.

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

>> **Final Compliance History Adjustment**

Final Adjustment Percentage *capped at 100% -10%

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Violation Number

Rule Cite(s)

Violation Description

Base Penalty

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

| OR | Release | Harm | | | Percent |
|----|-----------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| | | Major | Moderate | Minor | |
| | Actual | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text" value="30.0%"/> |
| | Potential | <input type="text" value="x"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | |

>> Programmatic Matrix

| | Falsification | Major | Moderate | Minor | Percent |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text" value="0.0%"/> |

Matrix Notes

Adjustment

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events Number of violation days

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| <i>mark only one with an x</i> | daily | <input type="text"/> |
| | weekly | <input type="text"/> |
| | monthly | <input type="text"/> |
| | quarterly | <input type="text" value="x"/> |
| | semiannual | <input type="text"/> |
| | annual | <input type="text"/> |
| | single event | <input type="text"/> |

Violation Base Penalty

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

Reduction

| | Before NOV | NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer |
|---------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Extraordinary | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Ordinary | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| N/A | <input type="text" value="x"/> | (mark with x) |

Notes

Violation Subtotal

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount

Violation Final Penalty Total

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent La Maredia Investments Nome LLC dba Big D's
Case ID No. 47413
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN104949797
Media 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) | \$1,500 | 31-May-2013 | 9-Apr-2014 | 0.86 | \$64 | n/a | \$64 |

Notes for DELAYED costs
 Estimated cost to monitor the USTs for releases. 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
 (Empty box for notes)

| | | | |
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| Approx. Cost of Compliance | \$1,500 | TOTAL | \$64 |
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PCW

Respondent La Maredia Investments Nome LLC dba Big D's

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PCW Revision August 3, 2011

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN104949797

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Clinton Sims

Violation Number 2

Rule Cite(s)

30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.10(b)(1)(B)

Violation Description

Failed to maintain UST records and make them immediately available for inspection upon request by agency personnel.

Base Penalty \$25,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

| Release | Harm | | |
|-----------|-------|----------|-------|
| | Major | Moderate | Minor |
| Actual | | | |
| Potential | | | |

Percent 0.0%

>> Programmatic Matrix

| Falsification | Major | Moderate | Minor |
|---------------|-------|----------|-------|
| | x | | |

Percent 15.0%

Matrix Notes

100% of the rule requirement was not met.

Adjustment \$21,250

\$3,750

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1

74 Number of violation days

mark only one with an x

| | |
|--------------|---|
| daily | |
| weekly | |
| monthly | |
| quarterly | |
| semiannual | |
| annual | |
| single event | x |

Violation Base Penalty \$3,750

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 \$3,750

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$19

Violation Final Penalty Total \$3,375

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$3,375

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent La Maredia Investments Nome LLC dba Big D's
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Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN104949797
Media Violation No. Petroleum Storage Tank
 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 | \$500 | 31-May-2013 | 9-Mar-2014 | 0.77 | \$19 | n/a | \$19 |
| 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 maintain UST records. 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 \$500

TOTAL \$19

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Compliance History Report

PUBLISHED Compliance History Report for CN603929613, RN104949797, Rating Year 2012 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2007, through August 31, 2012.

Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator: CN603929613, La Maredia Investments Nome LLC **Classification:** HIGH **Rating:** 0.00

Regulated Entity: RN104949797, BIG D'S **Classification:** HIGH **Rating:** 0.00

Complexity Points: 3 **Repeat Violator:** NO

CH Group: 01 - Gas Stations with convenience Stores and other Gas Stations

Location: 1043 HWY 90 E NOME, TX 77629, JEFFERSON COUNTY

TCEQ Region: REGION 10 - BEAUMONT

ID Number(s): **PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION** REGISTRATION 78260

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

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: August 07, 2013

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: August 07, 2008 to August 07, 2013

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

Name: Clinton Sims

Phone: (512) 239-6933

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? YES
- 3) If **YES** for #2, who is the current owner/operator? La Maredia Investments Nome LLC, Owner Operator since 2/18/2011
- 4) If **YES** for #2, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? Mackenzie Operations LP, Owner Operator, 4/24/2006 to 2/17/2011
- 5) If **YES**, when did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? 2/18/2011

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.):

Item 1 December 16, 2010 (873261)

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.

N/A

F. Environmental audits:

N/A

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):

N/A

H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates:

N/A

I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program:

N/A

J. Early compliance:

N/A

Sites Outside of Texas:

N/A

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



**IN THE MATTER OF AN
ENFORCEMENT ACTION
CONCERNING
LA MAREIDIA INVESTMENTS NOME LLC
DBA BIG D'S;
RN104949797**

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**BEFORE THE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

AGREED ORDER

DOCKET NO. 2013-1519-PST-E

I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On _____, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties (the "Agreed Order"), resolving an enforcement action regarding La Maredia Investments Nome LLC d/b/a Big D's ("Respondent") under the authority of TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7 and 26. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, represented by the Litigation Division, and Respondent together stipulate that:

1. Respondent owns and operates, 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 1043 Highway 90 E in Nome, Jefferson County, Texas (Facility ID No. 78260) (the "Facility"). The USTs at the Facility are not exempt or excluded from regulation under the Texas Water Code or the rules of the TCEQ, and contain a regulated petroleum substance as defined in the rules of the TCEQ.
2. This Agreed Order is entered into pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE §§ 7.051 and 7.070. The TCEQ has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 5.013 because it alleges violations of TEX. WATER CODE ch. 26 and TCEQ rules.
3. The Executive Director and Respondent agree that TCEQ has jurisdiction to enter this Agreed Order, and that Respondent is subject to TCEQ's jurisdiction.
4. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Agreed Order shall not constitute an admission by Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
5. An administrative penalty in the amount of ten thousand one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$10,125.00) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II. Respondent paid two hundred ninety dollars (\$290.00) of the administrative penalty. The remaining amount of nine thousand eight hundred thirty-five dollars (\$9,835.00) of the administrative penalty shall be payable in thirty-five (35) monthly payments of two hundred eighty-one dollars (\$281.00) each. The first monthly payment shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order. The subsequent payments shall be paid not later than 30 days following the due date of the previous payment. If Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with the payment requirements of this Agreed Order, including the payment schedule, the Executive Director may, at his 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, Respondent's failure to meet the payment schedule of this Agreed Order constitutes the failure by Respondent to timely and satisfactorily comply with all of the terms of this Agreed Order.

6. 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.
7. The Executive Director and Respondent agree on a settlement of the matters addressed in this Agreed Order, subject to final approval in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(a).
8. 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 Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions contained in this Agreed Order.
9. 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.
10. 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

1. During an investigation conducted on May 31, 2013, a UT-Arlington PST Program investigator (TCEQ Contractor) documented that Respondent:
 - a. Failed to monitor the USTs for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring), in violation of TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1) and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(1)(A); and
 - b. Failed to maintain UST records and make them immediately available for inspection upon request by agency personnel, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.10(b).
2. Respondent received notice of the alleged violations on or about July 29, 2013.

III. DENIALS

Respondent generally denies each Allegation in Section II.

IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

1. It is, therefore, ordered by the TCEQ that Respondent pay an administrative penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph 5, above. The payment of this administrative penalty and 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 considering or requiring corrective actions or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Administrative penalty payments shall be made payable to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: La Maredia Investments Nome LLC d/b/a Big D's, Docket No. 2013-1519-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

2. Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
 - a. Immediately upon the effective date of this Agreed Order, Respondent shall begin maintaining all UST records and ensure they are made immediately available for inspection upon request by agency personnel, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.10.
 - b. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, Respondent shall implement a release detection method for all USTs at the Facility, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50.
 - c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, Respondent shall submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provisions Nos. 2.a. and 2.b. The certifications shall be accompanied by detailed supporting documentation, including photographs, receipts, and/or other records, shall be notarized by a State of Texas Notary Public, and shall 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 fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

Respondent shall submit the written certifications and supporting documentation necessary to demonstrate compliance with these Ordering Provisions to:

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

and:

Marilyn Gates, Waste Section Manager
Beaumont Regional Office
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
3870 Eastex Freeway
Beaumont, Texas 77703-1830

3. All relief not expressly granted in this Agreed Order is denied.
4. The duties and provisions imposed by this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon Respondent. Respondent is ordered to give notice of this Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Facility operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
5. If 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, Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Agreed 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 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 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. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against 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 TCEQ's jurisdiction or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the TCEQ under such a statute.
8. 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.
9. Pursuant to 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(b) and TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2001.142, the effective date of this Agreed Order is the date of hand delivery of this Agreed Order to Respondent, or three days after the date on which the Commission mails a copy of the fully executed Agreed Order to Respondent, whichever is earlier.

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For the Commission



For the Executive Director



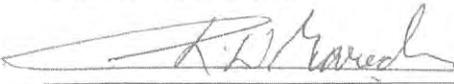
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I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Agreed Order. I represent that I am authorized to agree to the attached Agreed Order on behalf of La Maredia Investments Nome LLC d/b/a Big D's, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty amount, is materially relying on such representation.

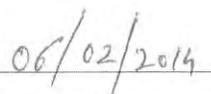
I also understand that failure to comply with the Ordering Provisions in this order and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount may result in:

- A negative impact on compliance history;
- Greater scrutiny of any permit applications;
- 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, I understand that any falsification of any compliance documents may result in criminal prosecution.



Signature - Riyaz Maredia, Managing Member
La Maredia Investments Nome LLC



Date