

**Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 49729**

**Ector County**

**RN102032448**

**Docket No. 2014-1779-PST-E**

**Order Type:**

1660 Agreed Order

**Findings Order Justification:**

N/A

**Media:**

PST

**Small Business:**

No

**Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:**

Ector County, 300 South Dixie Boulevard, Odessa, Ector County

**Type of Operation:**

Fleet refueling facility

**Other Significant Matters:**

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

**Texas Register Publication Date:** April 10, 2015

**Comments Received:** No

***Penalty Information***

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$13,688

**Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement:** \$2,737

**Amount Deferred for Financial Inability to Pay:** \$0

**Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$10,951

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

Payment Plan: N/A

**Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP") Conditional Offset:** \$0

Name of SEP: N/A

**Compliance History Classifications:**

Person/CN - High

Site/RN - High

**Major Source:** No

**Statutory Limit Adjustment:** N/A

**Applicable Penalty Policy:** April 2014

***Investigation Information***

**Complaint Date(s):** N/A

**Complaint Information:** N/A

**Date(s) of Investigation:** October 28, 2014

**Date(s) of NOE(s):** November 18, 2014

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***Violation Information***

1. 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 June 30, 2012 [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 UST. Specifically, five fuel deliveries were accepted without a delivery certificate [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(5)(A)(i) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3467(a)].
3. Failed to provide corrosion protection for the UST system [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.49(a)(1) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(d)].
4. Failed to monitor the UST for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring) [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(1)(A) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1)].
5. Failed to provide release detection for the suction piping associated with the UST system. Specifically, the Respondent had not conducted the triennial line leak detector and piping tightness testing [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(2) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(b)].
6. Failed to maintain UST records and make them immediately available for inspection upon request by agency personnel [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.10(b)(1)(B)].

***Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements***

**Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

The Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures:

- a. Installed and tested a corrosion protection system for the UST system with passing results on November 7, 2014; and
- b. Converted the UST system to a pressurized system on November 24, 2014.

**Technical Requirements:**

The Order will require the Respondent to:

- a. Immediately:
  - i. Cease accepting fuel until such time as a valid delivery certificate is obtained from the TCEQ by submitting a properly completed UST and self-certification form; and

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ii. Begin maintaining all UST records and ensure that they are immediately available for inspection upon request by agency personnel.

b. Within 30 days, implement a release detection method for the UST system at the Facility.

c. Within 45 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with a.i. through b.

***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:** James Baldwin, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 7, MC 128, (512) 239-1337; Candy Garrett, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-1456

**TCEQ SEP Coordinator:** N/A

**Respondent:** The Honorable Susan M. Redford, County Judge, Ector County, 1010 East 8th Street, Odessa, Texas 79761

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





# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

TCEQ

<b>DATES</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	24-Nov-2014	<b>Screening</b>	25-Nov-2014	<b>EPA Due</b>	
	<b>PCW</b>	25-Nov-2014				

### RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION

<b>Respondent</b>	Ector County				
<b>Reg. Ent. Ref. No.</b>	RN102032448				
<b>Facility/Site Region</b>	7-Midland	<b>Major/Minor Source</b>	Minor		

### CASE INFORMATION

<b>Enf./Case ID No.</b>	49729	<b>No. of Violations</b>	5
<b>Docket No.</b>	2014-1779-PST-E	<b>Order Type</b>	1660
<b>Media Program(s)</b>	Petroleum Storage Tank	<b>Government/Non-Profit</b>	Yes
<b>Multi-Media</b>		<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	James Baldwin
		<b>EC's Team</b>	Enforcement Team 7
<b>Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum</b>	\$0	<b>Maximum</b>	\$25,000

## Penalty Calculation Section

**TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)** **Subtotal 1** **\$16,250**

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

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

**Compliance History** -10.0% Reduction **Subtotals 2, 3, & 7** **-\$1,625**

Notes: Reduction for high performer classification.

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

Notes: The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.

**Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments** **Subtotal 5** **-\$937**

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

Total EB Amounts	\$471
Estimated Cost of Compliance	\$8,418

\*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

**SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7** **Final Subtotal** **\$13,688**

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

Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes:

**Final Penalty Amount** **\$13,688**

**STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT** **Final Assessed Penalty** **\$13,688**

**DEFERRAL** 20.0% Reduction **Adjustment** **-\$2,737**

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

Notes:

Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

**PAYABLE PENALTY** **\$10,951**

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### 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 judgments 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 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 June 30, 2012.

Base Penalty \$25,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR	Release	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
	Actual				0.0%
	Potential				

>> Programmatic Matrix

Matrix Notes	Falsification	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
		x			5.0%

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

Adjustment \$23,750

\$1,250

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 3 Number of violation days 878

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

Violation Base Penalty \$3,750

Three annual events are recommended.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0%

Reduction \$0

	Before NOE/NOV	NOE/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 \$237

Violation Final Penalty Total \$3,375

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

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** Ector County  
**Case ID No.** 49729  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN102032448  
**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	28-Oct-2014	21-Aug-2015	0.81	\$4	n/a	\$4

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated cost to renew a delivery certificate by submitting a properly completed UST Registration and Self-Certification Form. 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]	\$200	30-Jun-2012	28-Oct-2014	3.25	\$32	\$200	\$232
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. The date required is the expiration date of the delivery certificate and the final date is the investigation date.

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$300

**TOTAL**

\$237

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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 UST. Specifically, five fuel deliveries were accepted without a delivery certificate.

Base Penalty \$25,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

Release	Harm		
	Major	Moderate	Minor
Actual			
Potential			X

Percent 3.0%

>> Programmatic Matrix

	Major	Moderate	Minor
Falsification			

Percent 0.0%

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 \$24,250

\$750

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 5

5 Number of violation days

mark only one with an x

daily	
weekly	
monthly	
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	X

Violation Base Penalty \$3,750

Five single events are recommended.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0%

Reduction \$0

Before NOE/NOV NOE/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 \$0

Violation Final Penalty Total \$3,375

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

# Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** Ector County  
**Case ID No.** 49729  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN102032448  
**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
<small>No commas or \$</small>							

### 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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Violation Number 3

Rule Cite(s)

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

Violation Description

Failed to provide corrosion protection for the UST system.

Base Penalty \$25,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

Release	Harm		
	Major	Moderate	Minor
Actual			
Potential	x		

Percent 15.0%

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Harm		
	Major	Moderate	Minor

Percent 0.0%

Matrix Notes

Human health or the environment will or could be exposed to pollutants that would exceed levels that are protective of human health or environmental receptors as a result of the violation.

Adjustment \$21,250

\$3,750

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1

10 Number of violation days

mark only one with an x

daily	
weekly	
monthly	x
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	

Violation Base Penalty \$3,750

One monthly event is recommended from the October 28, 2014 investigation date to the November 7, 2014 date of compliance.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

25.0%

Reduction \$937

Before NOE/NOV NOE/NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer

Extraordinary	
Ordinary	x
N/A	(mark with x)

Notes

The Respondent came into compliance on November 7, 2014, before the NOE dated November 18, 2014.

Violation Subtotal \$2,813

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$12

Violation Final Penalty Total \$2,438

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$2,438

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**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
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No commas or \$

### Delayed Costs

Equipment	\$6,000	28-Oct-2014	7-Nov-2014	0.03	\$1	\$11	\$12
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 install and test a corrosion protection system. The date required is the investigation date and the final date is the 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**

\$12

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Violation Number 4

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.50(b)(1)(A) and (b)(2) and Tex. Water Code § 26.3475(b) and (c)(1)

Violation Description

Failed to monitor the UST for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days). Also, failed to provide release detection for the suction piping associated with the UST system. Specifically, the Respondent had not conducted the triennial line leak detector and piping tightness testing.

Base Penalty \$25,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR

Release	Harm		
	Major	Moderate	Minor
Actual			
Potential	x		

Percent 15.0%

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor

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 \$21,250

\$3,750

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1

28 Number of violation days

mark only one with an x

daily	
weekly	
monthly	x
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	

Violation Base Penalty \$3,750

One monthly event is recommended from the October 28, 2014 investigation date to the November 25, 2014 screening date.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0%

Reduction

\$0

	Before NOE/NOV	NOE/NOV to EDRP/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 \$203

Violation Final Penalty Total \$3,375

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

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**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	28-Oct-2014	21-Aug-2015	0.81	\$61	n/a	\$61

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated date to provide release detection for the UST system at the Facility. 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]	\$118	28-Oct-2011	24-Nov-2014	3.99	\$24	\$118	\$142
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Estimated cost to conduct the triennial line leak detector and piping tightness testing. The date required is three years prior to the investigation date and the final date is the date the system was converted to a pressurized system.

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$1,618

**TOTAL**

\$203

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Violation Number 5

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			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
Actual				0.0%
Potential				

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Harm			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
	X			5.0%

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

Adjustment \$23,750

\$1,250

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 1 28 Number of violation days

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

Violation Base Penalty \$1,250

One single event is recommended.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0%

Reduction \$0

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

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

Violation Subtotal \$1,250

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$20

Violation Final Penalty Total \$1,125

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$1,125

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** Ector County  
**Case ID No.** 49729  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN102032448  
**Media** Petroleum Storage Tank  
**Violation No.** 5

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

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

### 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	28-Oct-2014	15-Aug-2015	0.80	\$20	n/a	\$20
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**

\$20

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# TCEQ Compliance History Report

**PUBLISHED** Compliance History Report for CN600753206, RN102032448, Rating Year 2014 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2009, through August 31, 2014.

**Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator:** CN600753206, Ector County      **Classification:** HIGH      **Rating:** 0.00  
**Regulated Entity:** RN102032448, Ector County Cemetery      **Classification:** HIGH      **Rating:** 0.00  
**Complexity Points:** 2      **Repeat Violator:** NO  
**CH Group:** 14 - Other  
**Location:** 300 South Dixie Boulevard, Odessa, Ector County, Texas  
**TCEQ Region:** REGION 07 - MIDLAND

**ID Number(s):**

**PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION**  
REGISTRATION 59979

**Compliance History Period:** September 01, 2009 to August 31, 2014      **Rating Year:** 2014      **Rating Date:** 09/01/2014

**Date Compliance History Report Prepared:** November 25, 2014

**Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:** Enforcement

**Component Period Selected:** November 25, 2009 to November 25, 2014

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

**Name:** James Baldwin

**Phone:** (512) 239-1337

**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.):**

Item 1      November 17, 2011      (951524)

**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

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



**IN THE MATTER OF AN  
ENFORCEMENT ACTION  
CONCERNING  
ECTOR COUNTY  
RN102032448**

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

## **AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2014-1779-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 Ector County ("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 fleet refueling facility at 300 South Dixie Boulevard in Odessa, Ector County, Texas (the "Facility").
2. The Respondent's one underground storage tank ("UST") is 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 November 23, 2014.
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 Thirteen Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$13,688) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-One Dollars (\$10,951) of the administrative penalty and Two

Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars (\$2,737) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. The deferred amount will be waived upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty.

7. Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
8. The Executive Director 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 recognizes that the Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures at the Facility:
  - a. Installed and tested a corrosion protection system for the UST system with passing results on November 7, 2014; and
  - b. Converted the UST system to a pressurized system on November 24, 2014.
  - c. 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.
  - d. 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.
  - e. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

## **II. ALLEGATIONS**

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

1. Failed to renew a previously issued UST delivery certificate by submitting a properly completed UST registration and self-certification form at least 30 days before the expiration date, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(4)(A)(vii) and (c)(5)(B)(ii), as documented during an investigation conducted on October 28, 2014. Specifically, the delivery certificate expired on June 30, 2012.
2. Failed to make available to a common carrier a valid, current TCEQ delivery certificate before accepting delivery of a regulated substance into the UST, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8(c)(5)(A)(i) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3467(a), as documented

during an investigation conducted on October 28, 2014. Specifically, five fuel deliveries were accepted without a delivery certificate

3. Failed to provide corrosion protection for the UST system, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.49(a)(1) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(d), as documented during an investigation conducted on October 28, 2014.
4. Failed to monitor the UST for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring), in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(1)(A) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1), as documented during an investigation conducted on October 28, 2014.
5. Failed to provide release detection for the suction piping associated with the UST system, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(2) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(b), as documented during an investigation conducted on October 28, 2014. Specifically, the Respondent had not conducted the triennial line leak detector and piping tightness testing.
6. 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)(1)(B), as documented during an investigation conducted on October 28, 2014.

### **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: Ector County, Docket No. 2014-1779-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. Immediately upon the effective date of this Agreed Order:

i. Cease accepting fuel until such time as a valid delivery certificate is obtained from the TCEQ by submitting a properly completed UST and self-certification form, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.8 to:

Registration and Reporting Section  
Permitting & Remediation Support Division, MC-129  
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
P.O. Box 13087  
Austin, Texas 79711-3087

ii. Begin maintaining all UST records and ensure that they are 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, implement a release detection method for the UST system at the Facility, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN CODE § 334.50.

c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit written certification as described below, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision Nos. 2.a.i through 2.b. The certification shall be notarized by a State of Texas Notary Public and include the following certification language:

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

The certification shall be submitted to:

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

with a copy to:

Waste Section Manager  
Midland Regional Office  
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
3300 North A Street, Building 4, Suite 107  
Midland, Texas 79705-5404

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

  
For the Executive Director

5/18/15  
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.

  
Signature

3/16/15  
Date

Susan M. Redford  
Name (Printed or typed)  
Authorized Representative of  
Ector County

County Judge  
Title

**Instructions:** Send the original, signed Agreed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section at the address in Section IV, Paragraph 1 of this Agreed Order.