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CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105
TCEQ, MC-105
PO Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Re: City of Gatesville
Sludge disposal Permit Application No. WQ0004464000

Dear Sir:

I am responding to TCEQ letter dated March 18, 2009. I disagree with the TCEQ Executive Director's(ED) position to reissue the above referenced permit because of environmental issues I have documented and presented to TCEQ's Waco Office on numerous occasions. "I request a contested case hearing" in Gatesville, Texas be scheduled prior to any action taken to renew the City of Gatesville Sludge disposal permit at the City Municipal Airport. My air, residence, land and water ways have been impacted by the activities and consequences of this permit. All "adverse issues" that have "affected me and my family" as well as the air quality, water quality and land pollutants are reported and well documented with TCEQ, Waco Office. This airport sludge disposal permit matter remains unresolved, as evidenced by the continuing work of the TCEQ, Waco Office.

I am requesting that the City of Gatesville relocate the land disposal site to a more appropriate location.

I will look forward to the TCEQ announcement of the scheduled "contested case hearing" on this matter.

Please enter my name, address, daytime phone on your mailing list for this and all environmental impact topics in Coryell County.

The environmental and land use impact issues are identified below:

These issues cited below constitute reasons why the Executive Director(ED) should reconsider issuing the permit.

1. Air quality is deteriorated due to foul, offensive sludge odors emanating from the airport site. Such foul odors constitute a "nuisance from odor".
2. Evidence needs to be presented regarding the long term public health effects from land applied Class B sludge.

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3. Evidence needs to be presented that determines the level of pollutants migrating from the airport site onto private land and into the public waterways (Leon River) from the airport land applied Class B sludge.
4. Currently there are no preventive measures taken by the City of Gatesville to prevent sludge contaminated rainwater runoff from the airport site.
5. The TCEQ permit prohibits any "discharge" from the sludge disposal site.
6. Land applied Class B sludge disposal is not consistent with current land use, residential and business, in close proximity to the airport site.
7. These issues do not preclude appropriate consideration of other TCEQ rules, environmental impact, or land use or aesthetic or public considerations, which may be presented, regarding the airport land applied Class B sludge.

Please advise when the Executive Director has plans to schedule a Contested Case Hearing in this sludge matter.

Respectfully submitted,


Don Strieber

840 Chitwood Road
Gatesville, Texas 76528
254-865-8565

CC: Elizabeth Haley, Director of Human Resources
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Debra Sloane, EH&S Engineer
Laerdal Medical Corp.
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Bridget C. Bohac, Director
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CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

Re: Permit No. WQ0004464000, City of Gatesville, Airport site

Dear TCEQ:

Regarding the permit renewal status of the City of Gatesville permit # WQ0004464000, please bring me up-to-date.

Has the above identified permit and location at the airport site for land applied Class B sludge been approved and issued to the City of Gatesville?

If so, please send me the complete permit documents with TCEQ approval letter from the authorized TCEQ person. Please be sure to include the latest land applied sludge lab analysis.

Also since I have some difficulty getting two previous sludge lab analysis, please include those complete lab reports.

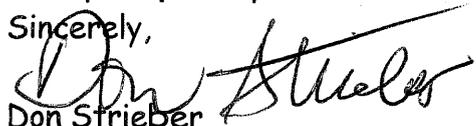
If the City of Gatesville airport permit has not been reissued, please describe the current status of the permit review and forward to me.

I would also like to obtain a copy of City of Gatesville, Landfill Sludge Disposal permit and disposal criteria. This is, of course, a different site from the airport. I do not have the number of this sludge permit. Is the City of Gatesville authorized at this time to use the landfill site for sludge disposal? Please provide a detailed response.

I must express that I have a disconcerted view of the lack of TCEQ responsiveness and overall environmental responsibility that I have experienced from the TCEQ in this land applied sludge permit. Perhaps the TCEQ could offer reasons why the public should not be heard in this matter? Also, the TCEQ should describe and justify the benign nature and nil environmental impact to our ground water of the land applied Class B sludge, especially during rain events. Also, please justify the foul odor control and a fly problem from the Class B land applied sludge to several affected resident and property owner's near the airport, we are prepared to listen.

Your prompt cooperation and reply in this matter will be appreciated.

Sincerely,


Don Strieber

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CC: Debra Sloan, Laerdal Medical
Bobby Berry
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CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

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Re: Permit No. WQ0004464000

BY DM

Dear Sir:

I am hereby requesting a public meeting be scheduled prior to any action taken to renew the City of Gatesville permit # WQ0004464000.

My residence, land and water ways have been impacted by the activities and consequences of this permit. I am requesting that the City of Gatesville relocate the land site to a more appropriate location.

I will look forward to the TCEQ announcement of the scheduled public meeting on this matter.

Please enter my name and address on your mailing list for this and all environmental impact topics in Coryell County.

Sincerely,

Don Strieber
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Gatesville, Texas 76528

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Bryan W. Shaw, Ph.D., *Commissioner*
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February 26, 2009

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CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

Don Streiber
840 Chitwood Road
Gatesville, Texas 76528

RE: Sludge Permit No. WQ0004464000; City of Gatesville

Dear Mr. Streiber,

Thank you for your letter requesting a public meeting on the application submitted by the City of Gatesville. Title 30, Texas Administrative Code Section 55.154(c) provides that a public meeting is to be held if: (1) the Executive Director determines that there is a substantial or significant degree of public interest in an application; (2) a member of the legislature who represents the general area in which the facility is located or proposed to be located requests that a public meeting be held; or (3) when a public meeting is otherwise required by law. The Executive Director has determined not to hold a public meeting on this application.

The TCEQ appreciates your interest in environmental issues. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance at 1-800-687-4040 or me at (512) 239-5692.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Celia Castro".

Celia Castro, Staff Attorney
Environmental Law Division

cc: LaDonna Castañuela, TCEQ Chief Clerk, MC-105
Bridget Bohac, TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, MC-108
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