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**Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number 53A

**REGULATED ENTITY NAME LOOKOUT DRIVE TRANSFER STATION**

**RN NUMBER:** RN102778438

**PERMIT NUMBER:** 53A

**DOCKET NUMBER:** 2013-1406-MSW

**COUNTY:** COLLIN

**PRINCIPAL NAME:** NORTH TEXAS MWD

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**COMMENTS:** I am recommending that the 9 months for the length taken for the preparation and duration of the hearing be extended to 12 months. I am requesting a contested case hearing for Permit No.53A because I am directly affected by this permit, I live within 1 mile of the transfer station and of the proposed new site. I have lived in this location for 25 years and all my family..my wife, my three daughters, and my pets are directly impacted and I am requesting a contested hearing. Rather than give you an academic answer I will simply tell you like it is... Its probably not a good idea to continue to collect trash from all over the area and bring the trash to a location directly beside a creek that provides the drinking water supply to thousands of people. There is no way you can provide 100% containment and if just one toxic chemical gets released into the creek water there could be significant impact. Just observe the current site and you can clearly see that the city has not been able to 100% contain the environmental aspects generated by this site. There are stains hundreds of yards on the pavement leading to the site. Over the past 25 years I have observed transfer trucks leaking liquids on the roads as they drive to this location. We all know that keeping a potential environmental risk so close to the families and citizens in this area is no different than the town of West keeping the fertilizer plant next to the schools. As

you know the development north of Renner will soon bring thousands of people directly in the path of the transfer activity. I know this will drive up the cost of disposal, but sometimes reducing risks to people is more important than a budget. This is true only if you are the person impacted, your life potentially changed forever due to some future health issues that are identified as unexplained. TCEQs mission is to protect people and provide a place where future generations can live in a safe and clean environment.