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August 18, 2015

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)  
Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105  
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Austin, Texas 78711

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is submitted as a formal request for continuance on Contested Case Hearing, Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009.

The referenced permit proposes significant impact to constituents of my senatorial district and I would appreciate the opportunity to address the commission on behalf of the Cedar Crest citizens and impacted community. However, due to a speaking arrangement that I have with the Texas State Bar's Advanced Civil Trial Course, I will not be able to attend the hearing scheduled for Wednesday, August 19, 2015. This speaking engagement has been on my calendar since January 2015.

As you and your staff evaluate this request, I am confident that you will give full consideration to this request and grant a continuance. Thus fostering, positive representation of the citizens I serve.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. I await your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Royce West".

Royce West  
State Senator  
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To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as formal representation that I followed TCEQ's policy and procedures and communicated the request for continuance on the Contested Case Hearing, Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009.

In addition, find enclosed documentation showing that the following individual(s) received the above referenced letter on the following date(s):

- Office of the Chief Clerk, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) - August 18, 2015
- Vic McWherter, OPIC - August 17, 2015
- Richard Hyde, Executive Director, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) - August 17, 2015
- Lori Madrid, Contek LLC - August 17, 2015
- Michael Byington, Byington Group LLC - August 18, 2015

Should you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me directly at 214-741-0123. Thank you again for your positive consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Royce West".

Royce West

State Senator

District 23

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## **Richard V Dominguez**

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**From:** Richard V Dominguez  
**Sent:** Monday, August 17, 2015 5:35 PM  
**To:** 'Vic.Mcwherter@tceq.texas.gov'  
**Subject:** Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009 request for continuance  
**Attachments:** document2015-08-17-173124.pdf

Vic,  
On behalf of Senator West, he would like to formally submit a request for continuance on Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009.

If you have any questions please, feel free to contact me.

Thank You,

Richard V. Dominguez  
Legislative Aide to State Senator Royce West  
2612 Main Street, Suite 100  
Dallas, Texas 75226  
(214)741-0123

## **Richard V Dominguez**

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**From:** Richard V Dominguez  
**Sent:** Monday, August 17, 2015 5:36 PM  
**To:** 'Richard Hyde'  
**Subject:** Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009 request for continuance  
**Attachments:** document2015-08-17-173102.pdf

Richard,  
On behalf of Senator West, he would like to formally submit a request for continuance on Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009.

If you have any questions please, feel free to contact me.

Thank You,

Richard V. Dominguez  
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## Richard V Dominguez

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**From:** Richard V Dominguez  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2015 9:11 AM  
**To:** 'Lori Madrid'  
**Cc:** Margaret Lowe; mlbyington@aol.com  
**Subject:** RE: Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009 request for continuance

Lori,  
Thank you for the email and follow up.

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**From:** Lori Madrid [<mailto:lmadrid@contekllc.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 17, 2015 11:58 PM  
**To:** Richard V Dominguez  
**Cc:** Margaret Lowe; [mlbyington@aol.com](mailto:mlbyington@aol.com)  
**Subject:** RE: Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009 request for continuance

Richard,

I am no longer associated with this permitting action and will refer you to Michael Byington, whom I have cc'd here to fulfill your request for a continuance and contact information (email and/or fax) for Joseph Ondrusek. I apologize that I cannot be of further assistance in this matter.

Thanks,

Lori Madrid

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Lori Madrid  
Environmental & Air Quality Specialist  
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**From:** Richard V Dominguez [Richard.Dominguez@senate.state.tx.us]

**Sent:** Monday, August 17, 2015 6:58 PM

**To:** Lori Madrid

**Subject:** Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009 request for continuance

Lori,  
On behalf of Senator West, he would like to formally submit a request for continuance on Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009.

If you agree to this, please let me know.

Thank You

Richard V. Dominguez  
Legislative Aide to State Senator Royce West  
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**Richard V Dominguez**

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**Subject:** FW: Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009 request for continuance

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**From:** Richard V Dominguez  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2015 2:07 PM  
**To:** 'Michael Byington'  
**Subject:** RE: Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009 request for continuance

Michael,  
Thank you for the email. I will forward it to him.

**From:** Michael Byington [<mailto:byingtongroupllc@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2015 2:06 PM  
**To:** Richard V Dominguez  
**Subject:** Re: Columbia Packing Co., Inc., Permit No. 106009 request for continuance

Via Richard V. Dominguez, Legislative Aide to State Senator Royce West:

Dear Senator West, in response to the letter received from you via Richard V. Dominguez, Legislative Aide, requesting a continuance on Contested Case Hearing, Columbia Packing Company, Inc., Permit No. 106009, we respectfully decline to delay the TCEQ process further. Columbia Packing Company prepared and submitted all required permit applications and has responded to every request by the TCEQ and others in the process to expand and operate under the required regulations. If granted, this permit will enable Columbia Packing to increase its staff; hiring and benefiting those in the Cedar Crest community.

On Tue, Aug 18, 2015 at 9:43 AM, Richard V Dominguez <[Richard.Dominguez@senate.state.tx.us](mailto:Richard.Dominguez@senate.state.tx.us)> wrote:

Michael,

Senator West would like to know if your client and you, would accept the proposed request for continuance.

Please review the following request and if you all agree or disagree, please let me know.

Thank You,

Richard V. Dominguez

Legislative Aide to State Senator Royce West

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Michael Byington

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Thank you, The Byington Group

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