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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

November 14, 2014

Dear Stakeholder,

A water quality permit is required to dispose of wastewater by evaporation from ponds or surface impoundments adjacent to water in the state. The two types of permits available for this activity are a Texas Land Application Permit (TLAP), which is an individual water quality permit, or the Evaporation Pond General Permit (WQG100000).

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) is hosting a stakeholder meeting to discuss proposed changes to the Evaporation Pond general permit to allow certain existing facilities to qualify for coverage. If a facility does not qualify for coverage under this general permit, the facility will be required to obtain a new (or maintain its current) water quality TLAP.

The current general permit has pond construction and liner requirements that may exclude existing facilities from coverage. TCEQ is proposing to amend this general permit to allow coverage of existing evaporation ponds for which: (1) a notification was provided to the TCEQ in accordance with 30 TAC 335.2(d) and 30 TAC 335.6 that was acknowledged, in writing, prior to the effective date of this general permit amendment; or (2) a water quality TLAP was issued prior to the effective date of this general permit amendment.

Date: December 11, 2014
Time: 10:00 am
Location: TCEQ – Austin Office
Building C, Room 131E
12100 Park 35 Circle
Austin, Texas 78753

You can learn more and obtain a copy of the current general permit at the following website: https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/wastewater/general/WQG10_AIR.

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You are receiving this invitation because you provided a waste notification to the TCEQ, you have a current water quality Texas Land Application Permit (TLAP), you have expressed interest in these types of regulated activities, or you are a current member of the Water Quality Advisory Workgroup. This meeting is open to the public. Please invite other individuals or entities that may be interested in this regulated activity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chris Linendoll".

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