

**ACTUAL PERFORMANCE FOR OUTPUT/EFFICIENCY MEASURES**

**582 - Commission on Environmental Quality**

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1-1-1 AIR QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING

1 # POINT SOURCE AIR ASSESSMENTS

<b>Quarter 1</b>	1,967.00	710.00	710.00	36.10 % *	393.40 - 590.10
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Explanation of Variance: The Number of Point Source Air Quality Assessments is above projections as of the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure counts the number of point source emissions inventories that were both quality assured and loaded into the State of Texas Air Reporting System database. Point source emissions inventories are cyclical and EPA's reporting deadline of December 31st led to a completion of a number of assessments during the first quarter. Cyclical performance is typical and is not expected to negatively affect annual performance for this measure.

2 # AREA SOURCE AIR ASSESSMENTS

<b>Quarter 1</b>	2,250.00	762.00	762.00	33.87 % *	450.00 - 675.00
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Explanation of Variance: Performance for the Number of Area Source Air Quality Assessments is above projections as the end of the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure counts the number of area source air emissions inventories that have been developed, reviewed, and loaded into the Texas Air Emissions Repository (TexAER) database. Performance was above expected levels as a result of the inventory projects completed and loaded into the database in order to comply with EPA 2011 Air Emissions Reporting Requirements.

3 # ON-ROAD SOURCE ASSESSMENTS

<b>Quarter 1</b>	1,013.00	189.00	189.00	18.66 % *	202.60 - 303.90
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Explanation of Variance: The Number of Mobile Source On-Road Air Quality Assessments is below projections at the end of the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure depicts the number of on-road mobile source/transportation related scenarios evaluated by the Air Quality Division. Quarterly performance for this measure fluctuates based on State Implementation Plan and technical support activities. Work completed in the first quarter included assessment of Harris County emissions and nationwide MOVES2010b assessments for photochemical modeling support.

6 TONS NOX REDUCED

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6 TONS NOX REDUCED

<b>Quarter 1</b>	6,097.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 % *	1,219.40 - 1,829.10
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Explanation of Variance: Performance was below projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure shows the projected tons of nitrogen oxides (NOx) reduced through projects funded by the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP) incentive grants. No TERP Diesel Emissions Reduction Program grants were awarded in the first quarter. Revisions to program requirements and grant guidelines required by Senate Bill 1727, 83rd Legislature were released for public comment in November. Once rules and guidelines are updated and adopted, grants will be awarded. TCEQ does not expect to open up a grant application period until September 2014 and performance for this measure is expected to be below projections for FY 2014.

7 # VEHICLES REPAIRED/REPLACED-LIRAP

<b>Quarter 1</b>	2,730.00	1,226.00	1,226.00	44.91 % *	546.00 - 819.00
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Explanation of Variance: Final - Performance for the Number of Vehicles Repaired or Replaced through the LIRAP was above projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure determines the number of vehicle repairs and replacements that have taken place in the five-county Houston-Galveston-Brazoria (HGB) area, nine-county Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) area, and two-county Austin-Round Rock (ARR) area. In the first quarter of FY 2014, the DFW area repaired and replaced a total of 477 vehicles; the HGB area repaired 599 vehicles and had no replacements; and the ARR area repaired and replaced a total of 150 vehicles. The high number of repairs and replacements reported in the first quarter FY 2014 is due to the use of outstanding replacement vouchers and unspent funds from FY 2013 being used during this quarter. The suspension of retirement/replacement assistance by the local programs will allow more assistance to be provided to repair vehicles and will bring future reports in line with projections.

Explanation of Update: The above reflects final numbers reported by DFW, HGB, and ARR.

1-1-2 WATER ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING

1 # SURFACE WATER ASSESSMENTS

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1 # SURFACE WATER ASSESSMENTS					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	62.00	14.00	14.00	22.58 %	12.40 - 18.60
2 # GROUNDWATER ASSESSMENTS					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	54.00	9.00	9.00	16.67 % *	10.80 - 16.20
<p><u>Explanation of Variance:</u> Performance for the number of groundwater assessments was below projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure counts the number of assessment activities which evaluate environmental or programmatic data related to groundwater quality or quantity. This level of performance is the norm for the first quarter. Most of the assessments are long term projects and are either regional studies requiring four months or longer of preparation or ongoing tasks where data or the number of coordination activities are compiled at the end of the year. Most assessments are expected to be completed in the fourth quarter, and it is anticipated that performance will meet projections.</p>					
3 # DAM SAFETY ASSESSMENTS					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	1,030.00	68.00	68.00	6.60 % *	206.00 - 309.00
<p><u>Explanation of Variance:</u> Performance for the Number of Dam Safety Assessments is below projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure reflects the total number of dam safety assessments completed during the reporting period. The number of Emergency Action Plans (EAPs) that have been received by the program have decline significantly impacting the number of assessments that could be done. The Dam Safety Program anticipates meeting projections for this measure at the end of the fiscal year.</p>					
<u>1-1-3 WASTE ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING</u>					
1 # ACTIVE MUN SOLID WASTE ASSESS					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	190.00	39.00	39.00	20.53 %	38.00 - 57.00

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1-2-1 AIR QUALITY PERMITTING

1 # AIR PERMITS REVIEWED

<b>Quarter 1</b>	5,600.00	2,011.00	2,011.00	35.91 % *	1,120.00 - 1,680.00
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Explanation of Variance: The Number of State and Federal New Source Air Quality Permit Applications Reviewed was above projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure quantifies the permitting workload of the Air Permits Division (APD) staff assigned to review state and federal new source review permit applications. Staff is not able to attribute the increase to any one factor or factors.

2 # FEDERAL AIR PERMITS REVIEWED

<b>Quarter 1</b>	800.00	328.00	328.00	41.00 % *	160.00 - 240.00
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Explanation of Variance: Performance for the Number of Federal Air Quality Operating Permits Reviewed was above projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure quantifies the workload of air permitting staff assigned to review federal operating permit applications. There has been an increase in new source review air quality applications for the oil and gas sector that required review and processing by staff. This performance is expected to continue for the fiscal year.

1-2-2 WATER RESOURCE PERMITTING

1 # WATER QUAL APPS REVIEWED

<b>Quarter 1</b>	8,348.00	2,794.00	2,794.00	33.47 % *	1,669.60 - 2,504.40
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Explanation of Variance: Performance for The Number of Applications to Address Water Quality Impacts Reviewed was above projections at the end of the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure reflects agency workload with regard to the review of water quality permit applications. The number of permitted construction activities has historically fluctuated with economic factors, and the TCEQ has received more applications than anticipated. This level of performance is expected to continue for the fiscal year.

3 # CAFO AUTHORIZATIONS REVIEWED

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3 # CAFO AUTHORIZATIONS REVIEWED					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	108.00	16.00	16.00	14.81 % *	21.60 - 32.40
<p><u>Explanation of Variance:</u> Performance for the Number of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) Authorizations Reviewed was below projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure counts the number of concentrated animal feeding operation (CAFO) individual permits filed with the Chief Clerk of the Commission following technical review and CAFO general permit authorizations that have been issued. Fewer CAFO permits were filed than anticipated, but performance is expected to increase during the fourth quarter when general permit renewals will be filed.</p>					
<u>1-2-3 WASTE MANAGEMENT AND PERMITTING</u>					
2 # NONHAZARDOUS WASTE APPS					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	275.00	68.00	68.00	24.73 %	55.00 - 82.50
3 # HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMIT APPS					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	215.00	49.00	49.00	22.79 %	43.00 - 64.50
<u>1-2-4 OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING</u>					
2 # EXAMS PROCESSED					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	12,000.00	2,793.00	2,793.00	23.28 %	2,400.00 - 3,600.00
<u>2-1-1 SAFE DRINKING WATER</u>					
1 # WATER SYSTEMS MEETING STANDARDS					

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1 # WATER SYSTEMS MEETING STANDARDS

<b>Quarter 1</b>	6,595.00	6,670.00	6,670.00	101.14 %	6,265.25 - 6,924.75
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2 # DRINKING WATER SAMPLES

<b>Quarter 1</b>	43,670.00	14,157.00	14,157.00	32.42 % *	8,734.00 - 13,101.00
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Explanation of Variance: Performance for the Number of Drinking Water Samples Collected was above projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure reflects agency workload with regard to the collection of public drinking water chemical compliance samples by an agency contractor and TCEQ regional investigators. There has been a steady increase in the number of public water systems coming on line which makes these systems subject to drinking water sample requirements. Additional sampling requirements for compliance with the federal Disinfection ByProducts Rule has also led to increased sampling. The increased trend in sampling is expected to continue for the rest of the fiscal year.

2-1-2 WATER UTILITIES OVERSIGHT

1 # UTILITY RATE REVIEWS

<b>Quarter 1</b>	80.00	51.00	51.00	63.75 % *	16.00 - 24.00
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Explanation of Variance: Performance for the Number of Utility Rate Reviews Performed was above projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure reflects the number of applications received and processed by agency staff and either approved, dismissed, withdrawn or referred to the Environmental Law Division as a contested matter. The number of rate and tariff change applications filed has been increasing over the last three years. TCEQ believes this is a reflection of the current economy, aging infrastructure, and water and sewer utilities attempting to set rates that reflect the cost of service. As the cost of service for water and/or sewer utilities increases, the need for utilities to increase their rates also increases. Therefore, the number of rate reviews also increases. Submittal rates for FY 2014 are anticipated to remain above projections for the same reason.

3-1-1 FIELD INSPECTIONS & COMPLAINTS

1 # AIR SITES INSPECTED/INVESTIGATED

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1 # AIR SITES INSPECTED/INVESTIGATED					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	11,177.00	2,700.00	2,700.00	24.16 %	2,235.40 - 3,353.10
2 # WATER RTS INSPECTED/INVESTIGATED					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	28,600.00	6,621.00	6,621.00	23.15 %	5,720.00 - 8,580.00
3 # WATER SITES INSPECTED/INVES					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	11,865.00	4,263.00	4,263.00	35.93 % *	2,373.00 - 3,559.50
<p><u>Explanation of Variance:</u> The Number of Inspections and Investigations of Water Sites and Facilities was above projections at the end of the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure represents the total number of inspections or investigations completed for water entities during the reporting period. There were more water rights inspections than anticipated due to widespread drought conditions and a priority call made by a senior water right holder in the Brazos Basin that continued through part of October. The agency anticipates meeting the annual projection.</p>					
<b>3-1-2 ENFORCEMENT &amp; COMPLIANCE SUPPORT</b>					
1 # ENVIRO LABS ACCREDITED					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	285.00	280.00	280.00	98.25 %	270.75 - 299.25
2 # ASSISTS BY SBAP					

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2 # ASSISTS BY SBAP

<b>Quarter 1</b>	66,000.00	28,305.00	28,305.00	42.89 % *	13,200.00 - 19,800.00
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Explanation of Variance: Performance for the Number of Small Businesses and Local Governments Assisted exceeded projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure provides an indication of the number of notifications provided to the state's small businesses and local governments to keep them informed of regulatory changes that might affect them. Performance is above the projected level due to an increase in the number of compliance newsletters mailed.

3-1-3 POLLUTION PREVENTION RECYCLING

1 # POLLUTION PREVENTION WORKSHOPS

<b>Quarter 1</b>	125.00	53.00	53.00	42.40 % *	25.00 - 37.50
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Explanation of Variance: For the first quarter of FY 2014, the performance of the number of presentations, booths, and workshops conducted on pollution prevention/waste minimization and voluntary program participation is above expectations. The first quarter results are historically higher each fiscal year as many event opportunities present themselves in the Fall. Future performance is expected to remain consistent with expectations.

4-1-1 STORAGE TANK ADMIN & CLEANUP

3 # PST CLEANUPS COMPLETED

<b>Quarter 1</b>	200.00	83.00	83.00	41.50 % *	40.00 - 60.00
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Explanation of Variance: Performance for the Number of Petroleum Storage Tank Cleanups Completed was above projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. Most cleanups are finalized after responsible parties complete all field work and formally request closure review. The TCEQ has limited control over the number of requests for closure. Performance for the year is expected to be above projections.

4-1-2 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS CLEANUP

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3 # VOLUNTARY CLEANUPS					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	61.00	37.00	37.00	60.66 % *	12.20 - 18.30
<u>Explanation of Variance:</u> Performance for the Number of Voluntary and Brownfields Cleanups Completed was above projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure indicates the number of sites that have completed necessary response actions to either remove or control contamination levels at these sites. Cleanup completions are not evenly distributed throughout the fiscal year.					
4 # SUPERFUND EVALS/CLEANUPS UNDERWAY					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	43.00	45.00	45.00	104.65 %	40.85 - 45.15
5 # SUPERFUND REMEDIAL ACTION COMP.					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 % *	0.60 - 0.90
<u>Explanation of Variance:</u> Performance for the Number of Superfund Remedial Actions Completed was below projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. Superfund remedial action completions are not expected to be evenly distributed over each reporting quarter.					
7 # DRY CLEANER SITE CLEANUPS					
<b>Quarter 1</b>	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 % *	0.40 - 0.60
<u>Explanation of Variance:</u> Performance for the Number of Dry Cleaner Remediation Site Cleanups Completed was below projections for the first quarter in FY 2014. This measure reflects the agency's efforts to clean up known eligible dry cleaning sites contaminated by dry cleaner solvents. Cleanup completions are not expected to be evenly distributed over each reporting quarter.					

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1-1-1 AIR QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING

3 AVG COST/ LIRAP RETROFIT

Quarter 1	525.00	538.56	538.56	102.58 %	498.75 - 551.25
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Explanation of Update: Original performance reflected preliminary data from DFW, HGB, and ARR. The above cost reflects final data reported from the areas.

4 AVG COST/TON NOX REDUCED

Quarter 1	7,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 % *	7,125.00 - 7,875.00
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Explanation of Variance: Performance was below projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure shows the average cost per ton of nitrogen oxides (NOx) reduced through projects funded by the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP) incentive grants. The TERP Program has not issued any emissions reduction incentive grants this quarter. The agency is in the process of developing and adopting new guidelines and requirements for changes made by SB 1727 from the 83rd Legislature. TERP grant programs will be open to applicants in September 2014 and grant funds are not expected to be awarded until FY 2015. Performance for this measure will be below target for the rest of FY 2014.

4-1-1 STORAGE TANK ADMIN & CLEANUP

1 AVG TIME TO AUTH CORRECTIVE ACTION

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1 AVG TIME TO AUTH CORRECTIVE ACTION

<b>Quarter 1</b>	60.00	15.00	15.00	25.00 % *	57.00 - 63.00
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Explanation of Variance: Performance for the Average Time to Authorize a State Lead Contractor to Perform Corrective Action Activities was below projections for the first quarter of FY 2014. This measure reports the average number of days for the agency staff to process LPST State Lead work order proposals over the reporting period. The TCEQ has implemented procedures for reviewing work order proposals to ensure average review times meet the program time frame of 60 days. The desired performance for this measure is to be below projections.

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