## Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 58789 BASF Corporation RN100218049 Docket No. 2020-0057-AIR-E

**Order Type:** 

1660 Agreed Order

**Findings Order Justification:** 

N/A

Media:

AIR

**Small Business:** 

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

BASF Freeport Site, 602 Copper Road, Freeport, Brazoria County

Type of Operation:

Chemical manufacturing plant

**Other Significant Matters:** 

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: Yes, Docket Nos. 2020-1014-AIR-E,

2020-1062-AIR-E and 2020-1522-AIR-E

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: February 12, 2021

Comments Received: No

# Penalty Information

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$84,938

**Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$16,987** 

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$33,976

Total Due to General Revenue: \$0

Payment Plan: N/A

Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP") Conditional Offset: \$33,975

Name of SEP: Houston-Galveston Area Council-AERCO (Third-Party Pre-

Approved)

**Compliance History Classifications:** 

Person/CN - Satisfactory Site/RN - Satisfactory

Major Source: Yes

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A Applicable Penalty Policy: April 2014

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# **Investigation Information**

Complaint Date(s): N/A Complaint Information: N/A

Date(s) of Investigation: October 28, 2016 through October 31, 2016, September 23,

2019 through October 1, 2019, and November 20, 2019 through November 22, 2019

Date(s) of NOE(s): January 26, 2017 and February 28, 2020

# Violation Information

1. Failed to comply with the maximum allowable emissions rate ("MAER"). Specifically, the Respondent exceeded the volatile organic compounds ("VOC") MAER of 0.01 ton per year based on a 12-month rolling period for the 12-month periods ending from December 2013 through April 2019 for the Cooling Towers, Emissions Point Number ("EPN") 8-1-031, resulting in 1.09 tons of unauthorized VOC [30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 116.115(b)(2)(F) and 122.143(4), New Source Review ("NSR") Permit No. 19886, General Conditions No. 8, Federal Operating Permit ("FOP") No. 01536, General Terms and Conditions ("GTC") and Special Terms and Conditions ("STC") No. 7, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b)].

2. Failed to prevent unauthorized emissions. Specifically, the Respondent released 255.65 pounds ("lbs") of VOC and 32.47 lbs of carbon monoxide as fugitive emissions, during an emissions event (Incident No. 280549) that occurred on March 16, 2018 and lasted three hours and 22 minutes. The emissions event occurred when over time, a mixture of reaction products in the carbon steel line caused an accelerated corrosion of the carbon steel materials, resulting in the release to the atmosphere. Since the emissions event could have been avoided by better design and/or better operational and maintenance practices, the Respondent is precluded from asserting an affirmative defense under 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 101.222 [30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 101.20(3), 116.115(c), and 122.143(4), NSR Permit Nos. 9513A and PSDTX641M1, Special Conditions No. 1, FOP No. 01927, GTC and STC No. 15, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b)].

# Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

# Corrective Action(s) Completed:

The Respondent implemented the following corrective measures:

- a. In order to prevent the recurrence of emissions events due to the same or similar causes as Incident No. 280549:
- i. By March 17, 2018, removed and replaced the corroded and cracked piping; and

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ii. By April 27, 2018, installed additional equipment to reduce the potential for pipe corrosion.

b. On May 8, 2019, obtained an amendment for NSR Permit No. 19886 that increased the VOC annual MAER for EPN 8-1-031.

## **Technical Requirements:**

The Order will require the Respondent to implement and complete a SEP (see SEP Attachment A).

## **Contact Information**

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Richard Garza, Enforcement Division,

Enforcement Team 4, MC 219, (512) 239-2697; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division,

MC 219, (512) 239-2548

TCEO SEP Coordinator: Stuart Beckley, SEP Coordinator, Enforcement Division,

MC 219, (512) 239-3565

SEP Third-Party Administrator: Houston-Galveston Area Council-AERCO, P.O.

Box 22777, Houston, Texas 77227-2777

Respondent: Christopher P. Witte, Senior Vice President, BASF Corporation, 602

Copper Road, Freeport, Texas 77541

Respondent's Attorney: N/A

		Penalty Calculatio	n Worksheet (PC	CW)	
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\$67,951

**PAYABLE PENALTY** 

Policy Revision 4 (April 2014) PCW Revision March 26, 2014

Respondent BASF Corporation

**Case ID No.** 58789 Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN100218049

Media Air

Enf. Coordinator Richard Garza

# **Compliance History Worksheet**

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>>	Compliance History	Site	Enhancement	(Subtotal 2)

Component	Number of	Number	Adjust
NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action (number of NOVs meeting criteria)	5	25%
	Other written NOVs	4	8%
	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	7	140%
Orders	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	3	75%
Judgments and Consent Decrees	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government (number of judgments or consent decrees meeting criteria)	0	0%
	Any adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this state or the federal government	0	0%
Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government (number of counts)	0	0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%
Audits	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which notices were submitted)	23	-23%
Audits	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which violations were disclosed)	17	-34%

	Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%
Other	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 2) 191%

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

No

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3)

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

Satisfactory Performer

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7)

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

Enhancement for five NOVs with same/similar violations, four NOVs with dissimilar violations, seven orders containing a denial of liability, and three orders without a denial of liability. Reduction for 23 notices of intent to conduct an audit and 17 disclosures of violations.

Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7) 191%

>> Final Compliance History Adjustment

Final Adjustment Percentage \*capped at 100% 100%

### **Economic Benefit Worksheet**

Respondent BASF Corporation Case ID No. 58789 Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN100218049 Media Air Years of **Percent Interest** Violation No. 1 Depreciation 5.0 15 Item Cost Date Required Final Date Yrs Interest Saved **Costs Saved EB Amount Item Description Delayed Costs** Equipment 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 0.00 Buildings \$0 \$0 \$0 Other (as needed) \$0 \$0 \$0 Engineering/Construction 0.00 \$0 \$0 Land 0.00 \$0 n/a \$0 Record Keeping System 0.00 \$0 \$0 n/a Training/Sampling 0.00 \$0 \$0 n/a Remediation/Disposal 0.00 \$0 n/a \$0 **Permit Costs** 8-May-2019 5.44 \$1,342 n/a \$1,342 Other (as needed) 0.00 n/a \$0 Actual delayed cost to obtain an amendment for NSR Permit No. 19886 that increased the VOC annual Notes for DELAYED costs MAER for EPN 8-1-031. The Date Required is the initial date of non-compliance and the Final Date is the compliance date. ANNUALIZE avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided costs) **Avoided Costs** Disposal 0.00 \$0 Personnel 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Inspection/Reporting/Sampling 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Supplies/Equipment 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 **Financial Assurance** 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 0.00 **ONE-TIME** avoided costs \$0 \$0 \$0 Other (as needed) Notes for AVOIDED costs TOTAL Approx. Cost of Compliance \$4,937 \$1,342

### **Economic Benefit Worksheet**

Respondent BASF Corporation Case ID No. 58789 Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN100218049 Media Air Years of **Percent Interest** Depreciation Violation No. 2 5.0 15 Item Cost Date Required Final Date Yrs Interest Saved **Costs Saved EB Amount Item Description Delayed Costs** \$10,000 16-Mar-2018 27-Apr-2018 0.12 \$77 \$81 Equipment \$4 Buildings 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 16-Mar-2018 Other (as needed) \$5,000 17-Mar-2018 \$0 0.00 \$1 Engineering/Construction 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Land 0.00 \$0 n/a \$0 Record Keeping System 0.00 \$0 n/a \$0 Training/Sampling 0.00 \$0 \$0 n/a Remediation/Disposal 0.00 \$0 \$0 n/a **Permit Costs** \$0 0.00 \$0 n/a Other (as needed) 0.00 Estimated delayed costs to remove and replace the corroded and cracked piping (\$5,000) and to install additional equipment to reduce the potential for pipe corrosion (\$10,000) in order to prevent the Notes for DELAYED costs recurrence of emissions events due to the same or similar causes as Incident No. 280549. The Dates Required are the date the emissions event occurred and the Final Dates are the dates of compliance. ANNUALIZE avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided costs) **Avoided Costs** 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Disposal Personnel 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Inspection/Reporting/Sampling 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Supplies/Equipment 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 **Financial Assurance** \$0 \$0 0.00 \$0 ONE-TIME avoided costs 0.00 \$0 \$0 \$0 Other (as needed) \$0 \$0 Notes for AVOIDED costs TOTAL \$82 Approx. Cost of Compliance \$15,000



# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN600124895, RN100218049, Rating Year 2020 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2015, through August 31, 2020.

Customer, Respondent, or CN600124895, BASF Corporation Classification: SATISFACTORY Rating: 3.30

Owner/Operator:

Regulated Entity: RN100218049, BASF FREEPORT SITE Classification: SATISFACTORY Rating: 8.56

Complexity Points: 43 Repeat Violator: NO

CH Group: 05 - Chemical Manufacturing

Location: 602 COPPER RD FREEPORT, TX 77541-3001, BRAZORIA COUNTY

TCEQ Region: REGION 12 - HOUSTON

ID Number(s):

AIR OPERATING PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER BL00210

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AIR OPERATING PERMITS PERMIT 1927
AIR OPERATING PERMITS PERMIT 2158
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**INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMIT 50128** 

WASTEWATER EPA ID TX0008788

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 10373
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AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 10578
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AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS PERMIT 8074A

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 12952A
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 13481A
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER BL00210

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS PERMIT 19886

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 42856
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS EPA PERMIT PSDTX959
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS EPA PERMIT PSDTX193M1
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS AFS NUM 4803900017
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS EPA PERMIT PSDTX641M1
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 72728
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 74947

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 82606
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 85333
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 91495
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 96347

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AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102885

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 112885
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 139412

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 139303

AIR OPERATING PERMITS PERMIT 1536

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PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM/SUPPLY REGISTRATION 0200501

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REGISTRATION # (SWR) 30024

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AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 10554
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 10634
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 11080
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 11286

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS PERMIT 7595A
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS PERMIT 735B

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 1390A

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS PERMIT 1733A

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AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS EPA PERMIT PSDTX641
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 130747
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Compliance History Period: September 01, 2015 to August 31, 2020 Rating Year: 2020 Rating Date: 09/01/2020

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: October 16, 2020

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: October 16, 2015 to October 16, 2020

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.

Name: Richard Garza Phone: (512) 239-2697

### Site and Owner/Operator History:

1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period?

YES

2) Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period?

NO

### Components (Multimedia) for the Site Are Listed in Sections A - J

### A. Final Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees:

1 Effective Date: 04/08/2016 ADMINORDER 2015-0900-AIR-E (Findings Order-Agreed Order Without Denial)

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145(2)(A)

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5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Rgmt Prov: General Terms and Conditions OP

Description: Failed to report all instances of deviations.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(b)

> 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.116(a)(1) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: NSR Permit No. 8074A, GC No. 1 PERMIT

Special Term and Condition 11 OP

Description: Failed to comply with the representations in a permit application.

2 Effective Date: 11/08/2016

ADMINORDER 2016-0177-IWD-E (1660 Order-Agreed Order With Denial)

Classification: Moderate

2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)(1) Citation:

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Rqmt Prov: Effluent Limits PERMIT

Description: Failure to comply with permit effluent limits as documented by a TCEQ record review of self-reported data.

3 Effective Date: 06/20/2017 ADMINORDER 2016-1699-AIR-E (1660 Order-Agreed Order With Denial)

Classification: Moderate

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Specila Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent unauthorized emissions during an emissions event. Category A12.i(6).

4 Effective Date: 09/26/2017 ADMINORDER 2016-0534-AIR-E (1660 Order-Agreed Order With Denial)

Classification: Moderate

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT EEE 63.1219(a)(5)(i)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 4 PERMIT

Special Terms & Conditions 1A PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain carbon monoxide emissions limits [Category B13].

5 Effective Date: 08/22/2018

ADMINORDER 2017-1100-AIR-E (Findings Order-Agreed Order Without Denial)

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.20(3)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(b)(2)(F) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent unauthorized emissions during an emissions event. Excessive Emission Event. [Categoty A12.i(6).]

Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter F 101.201(a)(1)(B)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: FOP O-1927 STC 2.F. PERMIT

Description: Failure to report an emissions event in a timely manner. Category C3.

Classification: Moderate

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.146(2)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: FOP General Terms and Conditions OP

Description: Failure to submit the Annual Permit Compliance Certification within the required timeframe. (Category

A(12)(i)(7) - GC 6)

Effective Date: 05/23/2019 ADMINORDER 2017-1763-AIR-E (1660 Order-Agreed Order With Denial) Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.20(3)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(b)(2)(F) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Special Term and Condition 9 OP

Description: Failed to comply with the MAER. Specifically, the Respondent exceeded the VOC MAER of 33.09 tons per year based on a rolling 12-month period for the Heat Recovery Steam Generator with Duct Burner Firing, EPN 15-2-1, for the 12-month periods ending in September 2016 through August 2017, resulting in the release of 0.54 ton of unauthorized VOC.

7 Effective Date: 04/02/2020 ADMINORDER 2019-0301-AIR-E (1660 Order-Agreed Order With Denial)

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.20(3)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(b)(2)(F) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: SC 1 PERMIT STC 15 OP

Description: Failed to comply with the maximum allowable emissions rate ("MAER"). Specifically, the Respondent exceeded the volatile organic compounds ("VOC") MAER of 0.10 ton per year based on a 12-month rolling period for the 12-month periods ending from April 2018 through November 2018 for the Cooling Tower, Emissions Point Number ("EPN") 4-2-6, resulting in 0.15 ton of unauthorized VOC.

8 Effective Date: 05/12/2020 ADMINORDER 2019-0283-AIR-E (Findings Order-Agreed Order Without Denial)

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(b)(2)(F)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Special Term & Condition 11 OP

Description: Failed to comply with the MAER.

Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145(2)(A)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: General Terms & Conditions OP

Description: Failure to report all instances of deviation (Category B3).

9 Effective Date: 10/12/2020 ADMINORDER 2019-1308-AIR-E (1660 Order-Agreed Order With Denial)

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(b)(2)(F)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: SC1 PERMIT

ST&C 6 PERMIT

Description: Failed to comply with the maximum allowable emissions rate ("MAER"). The Respondent exceeded the NOx MAER of 0.30 tpy based on a 12-month rolling period for the 12-month periods ending from September 2018 through August 2019 for the Ammonia Recovery System Maintenance Emissions to Flare, EPN 16-1-2 and the CO MAER of 0.17 tpy based on a 12-month rolling period for the 12-month periods ending from May 2018 through April 2019 for the Depressurization Emissions to Flare, EPN 16-1-2 resulting in the

See addendum for information regarding federal actions.

#### B. Criminal convictions:

N/A

### C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

### D. The approval dates of investigations (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

The approva	I dates of investigations	(CCEDS Inv. Track.
Item 1	December 11, 2015	(1295780)
Item 2	January 15, 2016	(1315681)
Item 3	January 22, 2016	(1301664)
Item 4	January 25, 2016	(1281430)
Item 5	January 29, 2016	(1306006)
Item 6	February 09, 2016	(1306990)
Item 7	March 16, 2016	(1331802)
Item 8	March 23, 2016	(1321392)
Item 9	March 31, 2016	(1322287)
Item 10	April 20, 2016	(1338965)
Item 11	April 25, 2016	(1314962)
Item 12	May 18, 2016	(1345765)
Item 13	June 22, 2016	(1338562)
Item 14	July 18, 2016	(1359181)
Item 15	September 07, 2016	(1343900)
Item 16	September 15, 2016	(1358356)
Item 17	October 19, 2016	(1358318)
Item 18	October 20, 2016	(1378482)
Item 19	November 15, 2016	(1384441)
Item 20	December 19, 2016	(1390578)
Item 21	February 10, 2017	(1389681)
Item 22	February 16, 2017	(1404078)
Item 23	April 11, 2017	(1417681)
Item 24	April 26, 2017	(1408843)
Item 25	May 12, 2017	(1425270)
Item 26	June 14, 2017	(1414432)
Item 27	June 17, 2017	(1431273)
Item 28	July 06, 2017	(1421542)
Item 29	July 10, 2017	(1416686)
Item 30	July 17, 2017	(1439888)
Item 31	July 28, 2017	(1428357)
Item 32	August 15, 2017	(1443573)
Item 33	September 18, 2017	(1450198)
Item 34	September 20, 2017	(1435237)
Item 35	October 16, 2017	(1456018)
Item 36	November 18, 2017	(1461498)
Item 37	December 07, 2017	(1449869)
Item 38	December 11, 2017	(1438668)
Item 39	December 20, 2017	(1467878)
Item 40	January 12, 2018	(1474582)
Item 41	February 05, 2018	(1466105)
Item 42 Item 43	February 26, 2018 April 20, 2018	(1455682) (1493724)
Item 44	May 09, 2018	(1483215)
Item 45	May 17, 2018	(1500641)
Item 46	June 19, 2018	(1507758)
Item 47	June 22, 2018	(1497845)
Item 48	June 25, 2018	(1496734)
Item 49	July 16, 2018	(1514076)
Item 50	July 25, 2018	(1500397)
Item 51	September 17, 2018	(1527302)
Item 52	October 01, 2018	(1518399)
Item 53	October 12, 2018	(1523443)
Item 54	October 17, 2018	(1505493)
Item 55	October 18, 2018	(1524006)
Item 56	October 19, 2018	(1513388)
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Compliance History Report for CN600124895, RN100218049, Rating Year 2020 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from October 16, 2015, through October 16, 2020. Ratings are pending Mass Classification.

Item 57	December 18, 2018	(1545279)
Item 58	January 21, 2019	(1559812)
Item 59	February 22, 2019	(1549001)
Item 60	March 20, 2019	(1548689)
Item 61	April 04, 2019	(1540884)
Item 62	April 22, 2019	(1571876)
Item 63	June 17, 2019	(1575860)
Item 64	June 18, 2019	(1583361)
Item 65	June 26, 2019	(1577082)
Item 66	August 07, 2019	(1430114)
Item 67	August 16, 2019	(1599535)
Item 68	September 16, 2019	(1606440)
Item 69	October 02, 2019	(1597733)
Item 70	October 16, 2019	(1613286)
Item 71	November 21, 2019	(1619100)
Item 72	December 11, 2019	(1592269)
Item 73	December 13, 2019	(1597706)
Item 74	December 18, 2019	(1610252)
Item 75	January 21, 2020	(1618499)
Item 76	January 23, 2020	(1634093)
Item 77	February 07, 2020	(1625775)
Item 78	February 21, 2020	(1640712)
Item 79	March 18, 2020	(1647232)
Item 80	March 27, 2020	(1638127)
Item 81	April 20, 2020	(1653568)
Item 82	May 20, 2020	(1660155)
Item 83	June 15, 2020	(1657138)
Item 84	June 26, 2020	(1658210)
Item 85	July 14, 2020	(1652807)
Item 86	July 16, 2020	(1673616)
Item 87	August 10, 2020	(1666235)
Item 88	August 18, 2020	(1680392)
Item 87	August 10, 2020	(166623

#### E. Written notices of violations (NOV) (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

concentration.

A notice of violation represents a written allegation of a violation of a specific regulatory requirement from the commission to a regulated entity. A notice of violation is not a final enforcement action, nor proof that a violation has actually occurred.

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Date:
                        05/07/2020
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             Self Report?
                            NO
                                                                           Classification:
                                                                                             Minor
             Citation:
                              30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352(4)
                              30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)
                              30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)
                              40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT H 63.167(a)
                              5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)
                              Special Condition 19E PERMIT
                              STC 15 OP
                             STC 1A OP
             Description:
                              Failure to Prevent Open Ended Lines (OELs) (Category C10).
             Self Report?
                                                                           Classification:
                                                                                             Minor
             Citation:
                              30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.356(2)(A)
                              30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)
                              30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)
                              40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT H 63.162(f)(1)
                              5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)
                              STC 15 OP
             Description:
                              Failure to Include and perform initial Method 21 monitoring of Leak Detection and
                              Repair (LDAR) components.
                                                                           Classification:
             Self Report?
                                                                                             Minor
             Citation:
                              30 TAC Chapter 111, SubChapter A 111.121(3)
                              30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)
                              30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)
                              5C THSC Chapter 382 382.058(b)
                              STC 1 OP
             Description:
                             Failure to operate the Incinerator (EPN: 4-1-IN701) within the established CO
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Date: 05/29/2020 (1625911)Self Report? Classification: Moderate 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter C 335.69(a)(1)(A) Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter C 335.69(a)(1)(B) 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter E 335.112(a) 40 CFR Chapter 262, SubChapter I, PT 262, SubPT C 262.34(a)(1)(ii) 40 CFR Chapter 265, SubChapter I, PT 265, SubPT J 265.195 Description: The facility failed to document in the operating record required daily inspections of a hazardous waste tank. Self Report? Classification: Moderate Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter C 335.69(a)(4) 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter E 335.112(a) 40 CFR Chapter 265, SubChapter I, PT 265, SubPT J 265.193(e)(1)(iii) Description: The facility failed to ensure that the secondary containment systems are free of cracks or gaps. Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter D 305.69(b) 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter D 305.69(k) II.C.1.d. PERMIT Description: The facility failed to ensure that tables listing authorized wastes or permitted units for inspections were correct or complete. 3 Date: 05/31/2020 (1666659)Self Report? YES Classification: Moderate Citation: 2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a) 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1) Description: Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter 4 Date: 06/12/2020 (1592267)Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(b)(2)(F) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 9 OP NSR, Special Condition 1 PERMIT Description: Failure to maintain NOx emissions within permitted limits. (Unit ID: 15-2-COGN1) (Category C4 Violation) Self Report? Classification: Moderate Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 9 OP NSR, Special Condition 8 PERMIT Description: Failure to maintain permitted concentration limits for NOx and CO (Unit ID: 15-2-COGN1) (Category C4 Violation) Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter F 101.201(b) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 2.F. OP Description: Failure to create a Recordable Emission Event form within 14 days. (Category C3 Violation) 5 Date: 07/22/2020 (1646106)Self Report? NO Classification: Minor Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

SPECIAL CONDITION 23B PERMIT
SPECIAL TERM AND CONDITION 6 OP

Description: Failure to use the correct certified ammonia gas standard during functionality tests

(Category B18g(1)).

6 Date: 08/05/2020 (1592273)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.764(a)(2)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 1A OP Description: Failure to sample the cooling tower (Unit ID: 5-2-10) for highly reactive volatile organic

compound (HRVOC) within the 24-hour required timeframe. (Category C1)

Self Report? Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter F 101.201(b) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 2F OP

Description: Failure to create a final record of a non-reportable emission event within two weeks of

the emissions event that occurred on August 6, 2018. (Category B3) Moderate

Self Report? Classification:

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

> 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 11 OP NSR, Special Condition 9 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain thermal oxidizer (TO) (Unit ID: 5-4-31) temperature within

permitted limits. (Category C1)

Self Report? Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.725(d)(4) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 1A OP NSR, Special Condition 4D PERMIT

Description: Failure to sample the flare (Unit ID: 5-2-02) for highly reactive volatile organic

compounds (HRVOC) within 24 hours of the monitor going down. (Category C1)

Self Report? Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 117, SubChapter B 117.310(c)(2)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 1A OP

Description: Failure to operate with the ammonia emission limit of 10 pounds per million volume

(ppmv) on reformer (Unit ID: 5-1-31, 5-1-H1). (Category C4)

7 Date: 08/28/2020 (1612902)

> Self Report? Classification: Moderate NO

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145(2)(A)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, General Term and Condition OP

Description: Failure to report a deviation in the September 14, 2018 through March 13, 2019

deviation report. (Category B3)

Self Report? Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354(11) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT FFFF 63.2480(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Description: Failure to monitor connectors in Unit ID: 15-3-FUGS. Category B1

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354(2)(B) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT FFFF 63.2480(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Description: Failure to monitor pumps in Unit ID: 15-3-FUGS. Category B1

Self Report? Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354(2)(C) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT FFFF 63.2480(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Description: Failure to monitor valves in Unit ID: 15-3-FUGS. Category B1

Self Report? Classification: Moderate

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354(3) Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Description: Failure to conduct visual, audible, and/or olfactory means at least weekly on flanges in

Unit ID: 15-3-FUGS. Category B1

8 08/31/2020 Date: (1612901)

> Self Report? Classification: NO Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352(2) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)
30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)
5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)
FOP, Special Term & Condition 13 OP
FOP, Special Term & Condition 1A OP
NSR, Special Condition 9H PERMIT
Failure to repair a leaking pump in heavy liquid

Description: Failure to repair a leaking pump in heavy liquid VOC service within 15 days after the

leak was found (Unit ID: 5-9-FUG)(Category B1 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2158, FOP, Special Term & Condition 1A OP

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT EEE 63.1219(a)(5)(i)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Description: Failure to maintain hourly rolling average CO parts per million by volume (ppmv) for the

stack (UNIT ID: 5-5-50/5-5-IN5100) (Category C4 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

FOP, Special Term & Condition 13 OP NSR, Special Condtion 1A PERMIT

Description: Failure to operate within the NOx and CO pounds per hour (lbs/hr) Maximum Allowable

Emission Rate (MAER) for the stack (Unit ID: 5-5-50/5-5-IN5100) (Category B13

Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

SC THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 13 OP NSR, Special Condition 9E PERMIT

Description: Failure to monitor new fugitive emissions components within 15 days of installation and

operations (Unit ID: 5-9-FUG)(Category B1 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352(4)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.482-6(a)(1)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 13 OP FOP, Special Term & Condition 1A OP NSR, Special Condition 9E PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent Open Ended Lines (OELs) (CATEGORY C10 Violation)

9 Date: 09/08/2020 (1612895)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352(2) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.482-2(c)(1)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Condition 17H PERMIT Special Term & Condition 14 OP Special Term & Condition 1A OP

Description: Failure to repair component in within required 15-day timeframe. (CATEGORY C4

Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.116(b)(1)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Special Term & Condition 14 OP

Description: Failure to maintain destruction efficiency for S500 SOx Scrubber (Unit ID: 7-1-73).

(CATEGORY C4 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Condition 24A PERMIT Special Term & Condtion 14 OP

Description: Failure to maintain 3-hour rolling temperature average for Flare FL-280 (Unit ID:

12-1-1) within permitted limit. (CATEGORY C4 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Condition 11 PERMIT Special Term & Condition 14 OP

Description: Failure to maintain oxygen content for Vapor Combustor R-180 (Unit ID: 11-1-100)

within permitted limit. (CATEGORY C4 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

> 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Condition 11D PERMIT Special Term & Condition 14 OP

Description: Failure to maintain continuous emissions monitoring system (CEMS) for Vapor

Combustor R-180 (Unit ID: 11-1-100). (CATEGORY B1 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 117, SubChapter B 117.340(a)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Term & Conditon 1A OP

Description: Failure to maintain continuous fuel flow monitor for Unit ID: 11-1-4. (CATEGORY C1

Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter F 101.201(b) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Term & Condition 2F OP

Description: Failure to create a final record within 2 weeks for Unit IDs: 12-1-48 and 12-1-1.

(CATEGORY C3 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354(2)(C)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Condition 17F PERMIT Special Term & Condition 14 OP Special Term & Conditon 1A OP

Description: Failure to conduct quarterly leak detection and repair (LDAR) monitoring on valves.

(CATEGORCY C1 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Condition 11 PERMIT Special Term & Condition 14 OP

Description: Failure to maintain temperatures for Vapor Combustor R-180 (Unit ID: 11-1-100) within

permitted limit. (CATEGORY C4 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 61, SubChapter C, PT 61, SubPT W 61.272(c)(2)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Term & Condition 1A OP

Description: Failure to conduct sampling for Scrubber S-300 (Unit ID: 7-1-8). (CATEGORY C1

Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Condition 15D PERMIT Special Term & Condtion 14 OP

Description: Failure to maintain total dissolved solid (TDS) concentration for Cooling Tower CT-700

(Unit ID: 7-1-90) within permitted limit. (CATEGORY B13 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Condition 15E(2) PERMIT Special Term & Conditon 14 OP

Description: Failure to conduct daily conductivity testing for Cooling Tower CT-1100 (Unit ID:

11-1-91). (CATEGORY C1 Violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-7a(a)(1)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Terms and Condition OP

Description: Failure to conduct monthly leak detection and repair (LDAR) monitoring on valves.

Category C1

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354(2)(B) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

50 THSC Chapter 382 382 085(b)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Terms and Condition 1A OP

Description: Failure to conduct quarterly leak detection and repair (LDAR) monitoring on pump seals.

Category C1

#### F. Environmental audits:

Notice of Intent Date: 04/27/2015 (1248378)

Disclosure Date: 11/05/2015
Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.353 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.355 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.356 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.357 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.780(a) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

40 CFR Chapter 264, SubChapter I, PT 264, SubPT BB 264.1050 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.480(a)

4F TWC Chapter 63, SubChapter A 63.160

Description: Failed to have 4,087 components associated with the AAE2 unit tagged and monitored.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.353 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.355 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.356 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.780 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.480(a)

4F TWC Chapter 63, SubChapter A 63.160

Description: Failed to have 10,763 components associated with the AAE3 unit. They were not tagged and monitored.

Notice of Intent Date: 07/20/2015 (1280722)

Disclosure Date: 01/25/2016 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.480(a)

4F TWC Chapter 63, SubChapter A 63.160

Description: Failed to tag 4,674 components associated with the BA unit and failed to monitor them.

Viol. Classification: Major

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.110(a)

Description: Failed to include 2,527 components associated with the BA unit in its permit representations.

Notice of Intent Date: 08/11/2015 (1286587)

Disclosure Date: 01/26/2016
Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.110(b)

Description: The permit representation that authorized combustion of Dispersions Unit condensate in incinerator IN-5100

incorrectly stated the duration to be 21 days per year instead of 365 days per year.

Notice of Intent Date: 08/12/2015 (1286601)

Disclosure Date: 01/27/2016

Viol. Classification: Major

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.110(a)

Description: Failed to have correct permit representations for the Latex Dispersions Unit regarding the chemical composition and

equipment. Incorrect assumptions were made prior to commencement of construction.

Notice of Intent Date: 08/18/2015 (1282169)

Disclosure Date: 01/28/2016

Viol. Classification: Major

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 106, SubChapter K 106.263(e)(7)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.110(a)

Description: Four temporary pump engines were operated for more than 180 days without being registered.

Notice of Intent Date: 02/05/2016 (1312724)

Disclosure Date: 10/04/2016

Viol. Classification: Major

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.110(a)

Description: Failure to prevent emissions event in which isopropyl alcohol and particulate matter were released into the

atmosphere. Overpressure conditions in an emergency vent system caused the unit's Nara heaters to release

isopropyl and particulate matter into the atmosphere.

Viol. Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter F 101.201(b)(2)

Description: Failure to generate final internal records of emission events within the required timeframe as specified in

101.201(b)(2)

Notice of Intent Date: 11/17/2016 (1382616)

Disclosure Date: 05/11/2017 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT EEE 63.1200

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT EEE 63.1200(a)(2)

Description: Failure to maintain low volatile metals limit of 92 ug/dscm. The expanded low volatile metals limit of 92 ug/dscm

under the Hazardous Waste Combustor MACT rule was malfunction in the DCS. The maximum value during this

exceedances was 124.51 ug/dscm.

Notice of Intent Date: 03/22/2017 (1403409)

Disclosure Date: 10/27/2017 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352

Description: Failure to identify and close nine open-ended lines in VOC or HRVOC service.

Notice of Intent Date: 03/22/2017 (1403418)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date: 03/22/2017 (1407419)

Disclosure Date: 10/24/2017 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352

Description: Failure to identify and close 69 unauthorized open-ended lines.

Notice of Intent Date: 03/27/2017 (1407405)

Disclosure Date: 10/27/2017 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.110(a)

Description: Failure to identify and close two unauthorized open-ended lines (OELs).

Notice of Intent Date: 03/27/2017 (1407408)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date: 03/27/2017 (1407418)

Disclosure Date: 10/24/2017 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352(4)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143

Description: Failure to monitor for open-ended lines in VOC or HRVOC service. 5 open-ended lines were discovered.

Notice of Intent Date: 04/12/2017 (1408893)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date: 07/10/2017 (1429027)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date: 08/08/2017 (1435220)

Disclosure Date: 08/01/2018

Viol. Classification: Major

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(b)(2)(F)

Description: Failure to comply with VOC emission limits for Cooling Tower, CT-6000, EPN No. 4-2-6. Specifically the cooling

tower is in exceedance of the permitted lb/hr and TPY emission limits for VOC.

Notice of Intent Date: 09/29/2017 (1448413)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date: 10/09/2017 (1479727)

Disclosure Date: 11/29/2018
Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 61, SubChapter C, PT 61, SubPT FF 61.355(a)(5)

Description: Failure to update the total annual benzene concentration to reflect benzene-containing wastes.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 61, SubChapter C, PT 61, SubPT FF 61.355(a)(1)(i)

Description: Failure to calculate the annual benzene quantity for each waste stream and determine the annual benzene quantity.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.781(b)

Description: Failure to monitor four connectors in HRVOC service.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.116(a)(1)

Description: Failure to accurately calculate emissions for hexanediol and perntanediol.

Notice of Intent Date: 12/04/2017 (1460108)

Disclosure Date: 07/03/2018
Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354(11)

Description: Failure to monitor and tag recently replaced LDAR equipment within the required timeframe.

Notice of Intent Date: 04/11/2018 (1481704)

Disclosure Date: 10/03/2018
Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

Description: Failure to accurately label components. Labeled as "difficult-to monitor" for accessible component.

Notice of Intent Date: 08/22/2018 (1513369)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date: 08/31/2018 (1513636)

Disclosure Date: 11/29/2018 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(a)

Description: Failure to collect monthly VOC samples of cooling water at the correct location. It was determined that monthly

VOC samples of cooling water were collected at the "supply" header rather then at the " return" headers.

Notice of Intent Date: 02/28/2019 (1551676)

Disclosure Date: 11/13/2019
Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(a)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.116(a)

Description: Failure to report deviation in the last Title V deviation report. Fugitive equipment leaks were identified and reported

as needing to be represented in the NSR permit, however this deviation was not included in the report that covered

the time frame of September 14, 2018 through March 13, 2019.

Notice of Intent Date: 04/04/2019 (1555724)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date: 11/25/2019 (1616750)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date: 04/09/2020 (1646134)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date: 04/15/2020 (1646214)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date:

05/20/2020 (1652610)

No DOV Associated

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):

H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates:

N/A

- I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program:
- J. Early compliance:

N/A

Sites Outside of Texas:

N/A

# Addendum to Compliance History Federal Enforcement Actions

Reg Entity Name:

BASF FREEPORT SITE

Reg Entity Add:

602 COPPER RD

Reg Entity City:

FREEPORT

Reg Entity No: RN100218049

EPA Case No: 06-2020-3355

Order Issue Date (yyyymmdd):

Case Result:

BASF FREEPORT SITE -

Statute: CAA Sect of Statute: 111

Classification: Minor

Program: New Source Performanc Citation:

Violation Type:

Cite Sect:

Cite Part:

Enforcement Action: Administrative Compliance Orders

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN § BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION §
CONCERNING § TEXAS COMMISSION ON
BASF CORPORATION §
RN100218049 § ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

## AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2020-0057-AIR-E

### I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On	, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the
Commission" or	"TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement
action regarding	g BASF Corporation (the "Respondent") under the authority of TEX. HEALTH &
	. 382 and TEX. WATER CODE ch. 7. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through
	t Division, and the Respondent together stipulate that:

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates a chemical manufacturing plant located at 602 Copper Road in Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas (the "Plant"). The Plant consists or consisted of one or more sources as defined in Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.003(12).
- 2. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree that the TCEQ has jurisdiction to enter this Order pursuant to Tex. Water Code §§ 7.002, 7.051, and 7.073, and that the Respondent is subject to TCEQ's jurisdiction. The TCEQ has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 5.013 because it alleges violations of Tex. Health & Safety Code ch. 382 and the rules of the TCEQ.
- 3. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
- 4. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$84,938 is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent paid \$33,976 of the penalty and \$16,987 of the penalty is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Order and shall be waived only upon full compliance with all the terms and conditions of this Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with any of the terms and conditions contained in this Order, the Executive Director may demand payment of all or part of the deferred penalty amount.

Pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 7.067, \$33,975 of the penalty shall be conditionally offset by the Respondent's timely and satisfactory completion of the Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP") as defined in the attached SEP Agreement ("Attachment

- A"), incorporated herein by reference). The Respondent's obligation to pay the conditionally offset portion of the penalty shall be discharged upon full compliance with all the terms and conditions of this Order, which includes the timely and satisfactory completion of all provisions of the SEP Agreement, as determined by the Executive Director.
- 5. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to final approval in accordance with 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(a). Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
- 6. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Order.
- 7. This Order represents the complete and fully-integrated agreement of the parties. The provisions of this Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.
- 8. This Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Order, whichever is later.
- 9. The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent implemented the following corrective measures at the Plant:
  - a. In order to prevent the recurrence of emissions events due to the same or similar causes as Incident No. 280549:
    - By March 17, 2018, removed and replaced the corroded and cracked piping; and
    - ii. By April 27, 2018, installed additional equipment to reduce the potential for pipe corrosion.
  - b. On May 8, 2019, obtained an amendment for New Source Review ("NSR")
    Permit No. 19886 that increased the volatile organic compounds ("VOC") annual
    maximum allowable emissions rate ("MAER") for Emissions Point Number
    ("EPN") 8-1-031.

### II. ALLEGATIONS

- During record reviews conducted from October 28, 2016 through October 31, 2016 and November 20, 2019 through November 22, 2019, an investigator documented that the Respondent failed to comply with the MAER, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 116.115(b)(2)(F) and 122.143(4), NSR Permit No. 19886, General Conditions No. 8, Federal Operating Permit ("FOP") No. 01536, General Terms and Conditions ("GTC") and Special Terms and Conditions ("STC") No. 7, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b). Specifically, the Respondent exceeded the VOC MAER of 0.01 ton per year based on a 12-month rolling period for the 12-month periods ending from December 2013 through April 2019 for the Cooling Towers, EPN 8-1-031, resulting in 1.09 tons of unauthorized VOC.
- 2. During a record review conducted from September 23, 2019 through October 1, 2019, an investigator documented that the Respondent failed to prevent unauthorized emissions, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 101.20(3), 116.115(c), and 122.143(4), NSR Permit Nos. 9513A and PSDTX641M1, Special Conditions No. 1, FOP No. 01927, GTC and STC No. 15, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b). Specifically, the Respondent released 255.65 pounds ("lbs") of VOC and 32.47 lbs of carbon monoxide as fugitive emissions, during an emissions event (Incident No. 280549) that occurred on March 16, 2018 and lasted three hours and 22 minutes. The emissions event occurred when over time, a mixture of reaction products in the carbon steel line caused an accelerated corrosion of the carbon steel materials, resulting in the release to the atmosphere. Since the emissions event could have been avoided by better design and/or better operational and maintenance practices, the Respondent is precluded from asserting an affirmative defense under 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 101.222.

### III. DENIALS

The Respondent generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

### IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ORDERS that:

1. The Respondent is assessed a penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph No. 4. The payment of this penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all of the requirements set forth in this Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: BASF Corporation, Docket No. 2020-0057-AIR-E" to:

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> Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13088 Austin, Texas 78711-3088

- 2. The Respondent shall implement and complete the SEP as set forth in Section I, Paragraph No. 4. The amount of \$33,975 of the assessed penalty is conditionally offset based on the Respondent's implementation and completion of the SEP pursuant to the terms of the SEP Agreement, as defined in Attachment A. Penalty payments for any portion of the SEP deemed by the Executive Director as not complete shall be paid within 30 days after the date the Executive Director demands payment.
- 3. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
- 4. The duties and provisions imposed by this Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of this Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Plant operations referenced in this Order.
- 5. If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
- 6. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director. Extension requests shall be sent to the Order Compliance Team at the address listed above.
- 7. This Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
- 8. This Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or

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persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms: electronic transmission, owner, person, writing, and written, shall have the meanings assigned to them under Tex. Bus. Org. Code § 1.002.

9. The effective date of this Order is the date it is signed by the Commission. A copy of this fully executed Order shall be provided to each of the parties.

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## SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission	Date
Cuntil	05/25/2021
For the Executive Director	Date
I, the undersigned, have read and understand the the attached Order, and I do agree to the terms an acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment on such representation.	d conditions specified therein. I further
I also understand that failure to comply with the C and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, n	
<ul> <li>A negative impact on compliance history;</li> <li>Greater scrutiny of any permit applications s</li> <li>Referral of this case to the Attorney General's additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or</li> <li>Increased penalties in any future enforcement Automatic referral to the Attorney General's</li> <li>TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by lateral</li> </ul>	s Office for contempt, injunctive relief, r to a collection agency; nt actions; Office of any future enforcement actions; and
In addition, any falsification of any compliance do	cuments may result in criminal prosecution. $1/5/2021$
Signature Phitle	Se. Vice Front
Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of BASF Corporation	Title
☐ If mailing address has changed, please check t	his box and provide the new address below:

### Attachment A

# Docket Number: 2020-0057-AIR-E SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Respondent:	BASF Corporation
Payable Penalty Amount:	\$67,951
SEP Offset Amount:	\$33,975
Type of SEP:	Contribution to a Third-Party Pre-Approved SEP
Third-Party Administrator:	Houston-Galveston Area Council-AERCO
Project Name:	Clean Vehicles Partnership Project

<u>Location of SEP:</u> Angelina, Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Hardin, Harris, Houston, Jasper, Jefferson, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Nacogdoches, Newton, Orange, Polk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Trinity, Tyler, Walker, Waller, and Wharton Counties

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") agrees to offset a portion of the administrative penalty amount assessed in this Agreed Order for the Respondent to contribute to a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP"). The offset is equal to the SEP Offset Amount set forth above and is conditioned upon completion of the project in accordance with the terms of this Attachment A.

## 1. Project Description

## a. Project

The Respondent shall contribute the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator named above. The contribution will be to the **Houston-Galveston Area Council-AERCO** for the *Clean Vehicles Partnership Project*. The contribution will be used in accordance with the SEP between the Third-Party Administrator and the TCEQ (the "Project"). Specifically, the SEP Offset Amount will be used to replace old, higher emission buses that do not meet 2010 Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") emissions standards ("Old Buses") with new, lower emission buses that meet the most recent EPA emissions standards ("New Buses") or to retrofit or convert Old Buses with emissions reducing equipment. The Third-Party Administrator shall allocate the SEP Offset Amount to public entities such as school districts, local governments, and public transit authorities ("SEP Administrators") that apply for replacement, retrofit, or conversion of buses.

The SEP Offset Amount may also be used for retrofit or conversion technology that brings an Old Bus up to current EPA emissions standards. New Buses may be alternative-fueled. The SEP Offset Amount may be used for up to 100% of the replacement, conversion, or retrofit cost. The SEP Offset Amount will be used only for purchase of New Buses or conversion or retrofit equipment and contract labor for

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installation of equipment. The SEP Offset Amount will not be used for financing such a purchase through a lease-purchase or similar agreement.

Retrofitting means reducing exhaust emissions to current standards by installing devices that are verified or certified by the EPA or the California Air Resources Board as proven retrofit technologies. Converting means replacing an engine system with an alternative fuel engine system to bring the Old Bus within the current EPA emissions standards. Buses to be replaced, retrofitted, or converted must be in regular use (driven at least five hundred miles per year for at least the past two years) by the SEP Administrator and must not already be scheduled for replacement in the following twenty-four months. All replaced buses must be fully decommissioned. The Third-Party Administrator shall provide proof of decommissioning to TCEQ for each replaced vehicle by submitting a copy of the TCEQ SEP Vehicle Replacement Disposition Form. The SEP will be done in accordance with all federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations.

All dollars contributed will be used solely for the direct cost of implementing the Project, including, but not limited to supplies, materials, and equipment. Any portion of this contribution that is not spent on the specifically identified SEP may, at the discretion of the Executive Director ("ED"), be applied to another pre-approved SEP.

The Respondent's signature affixed to this Agreed Order certifies that the Respondent has no prior commitment to make this contribution and that it is being contributed to settle this enforcement action. The Respondent shall not profit from this SEP.

### b. Environmental Benefit

This SEP will directly benefit air quality by reducing harmful exhaust emissions that contribute to the formation of ozone and may cause or exacerbate many respiratory diseases, including asthma. For example, by replacing a 1989 diesel bus with a 2010 ultra-low emission model, passengers' exposure to nitrogen oxides may be reduced by 98 percent; volatile organic compounds by 93 percent; carbon dioxide by 83 percent; and particulate matter by 99 percent. In addition, by encouraging less bus idling, this SEP contributes to public awareness of air pollution and air quality.

## c. Minimum Expenditure

The Respondent shall contribute at least the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator and comply with all other provisions of this SEP.

### 2. Performance Schedule

Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent must contribute the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator. The Respondent shall make the check payable to **Houston-Galveston Area Council-AERCO SEP** and shall mail the contribution with a copy of the Agreed Order to:

Houston-Galveston Area Council-AERCO Attn: Air Quality Program Manager P.O. Box 22777 Houston, Texas 77227-2777

## 3. Records and Reporting

Concurrent with the payment of the SEP Offset Amount, the Respondent shall provide the Enforcement SEP Coordinator with a copy of the check and transmittal letter indicating full payment of the SEP Offset Amount to the Third-Party Administrator. The Respondent shall mail a copy of the check and transmittal letter to:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enforcement Division Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 219 P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

# 4. Failure to Fully Perform

If the Respondent does not perform its obligations under this Attachment A, including full expenditure of the SEP Offset Amount and submittal of the required reporting described in Sections 2 and 3 above, the ED may require immediate payment of all or part of the SEP Offset Amount.

In the event the ED determines that the Respondent failed to fully implement and complete the Project, the Respondent shall remit payment for all or a portion of the SEP Offset Amount, as determined by the ED, and as set forth in the attached Agreed Order. After receiving notice of failure to complete the SEP, the Respondent shall include the docket number of the attached Agreed Order and a note that the enclosed payment is for the reimbursement of a SEP; shall make the check payable to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality"; and shall mail it to:

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> Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Litigation Division Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 175 P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

## 5. Publicity

Any public statements concerning this SEP and/or project, made by or on behalf of the Respondent must include a clear statement that **the Project was performed as part of the settlement of an enforcement action brought by the TCEQ**. Such statements include advertising, public relations, and press releases.

## 6. Recognition

The Respondent may not seek recognition for this contribution in any other state or federal regulatory program.

# 7. Other SEPs by TCEQ or Other Agencies

The SEP Offset Amount identified in this Attachment A and in the attached Agreed Order has not been, and shall not be, included as a SEP for the Respondent under any other Agreed Order negotiated with the TCEQ or any other agency of the state or federal government.