## Project Storm, LLC RN110445749 Docket No. 2020-0840-AIR-E

## **Order Type:**

Default Order

Media:

AIR

**Small Business:** 

Yes

**Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:** 

2600 Hobbs Road, League City, Galveston County

**Type of Operation:** 

portable air curtain incinerator

**Other Significant Matters:** 

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: None Past-Due Penalties: None Past-Due Fees: None Other: None Interested Third Parties: None

**Texas Register Publication Date:** June 18, 2021

Comments Received: None

**Penalty Information** 

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$5,000

**Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$0

**Total Due to General Revenue:** \$5,000

**Compliance History Classifications:** 

Person/CN – Unclassified Site/RN – Unclassified

Major Source: No

Statutory Limit Adjustment: None

**Applicable Penalty Policy:** April 2014

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### Investigation Information

Complaint Date(s): N/A

**Date(s) of Investigation:** November 5, 2019 through June 11, 2020

Date(s) of NOV(s): N/A

**Date(s) of NOE(s):** June 12, 2020

#### **Violation Information**

- 1. Failed to obtain a federal operating permit ("FOP") prior to operating a portable air curtain incinerator (ACI) [Tex. Health & Safety Code §§ 382.054 and 382.085(b) and 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 122.121].
- 2. Failed to obtain authorization prior to constructing or modifying a source of air contaminants [Tex. Health & Safety Code §§ 382.0518(a) and 382.085(b) and 30 Tex. ADMIN. Code § 116.110(a)].

#### **Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements**

#### **Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

None

#### **Technical Requirements:**

- 1. Within 30 days, either permanently cease operating the ACI or submit an administratively complete registration for a Permit by Rule to authorize the ACI and submit an administratively complete FOP application for the ACI.
- 2. Respond completely and adequately, as determined by the TCEQ, to all requests for information concerning the registration and FOP application by any deadline specified in writing.
- 3. Within 45 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with Technical Requirement No. 1.
- 4. Within 180 days, submit written certification that either authorization to operate the ACI and an FOP have been obtained or that the operation has ceased until such time that the appropriate authorizations are obtained.

#### **Litigation Information**

Date Petition(s) Filed:December 23, 2020Date Green Card(s) Signed:December 26, 2020

**Date Answer(s) Filed:** N/A

#### **Contact Information**

TCEQ Attorneys: Casey Kurnath, Litigation, (512) 239-3400

Garrett Arthur, Public Interest Counsel, (512) 239-6363

TCEQ Litigation Agenda Coordinator: Elisa Guerra, (512) 239-3329

**TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Johnnie Wu, Enforcement, (512) 239-2524 **TCEQ Regional Contact:** Joseph Doby, Houston Regional Office, (713) 767-3500

Respondent Contact: Victor Carranza, President, Project Storm, LLC, 4201 Cypress Creek

Parkway, Suite 219, Houston, Texas 77068-3440

Respondent's Attorney: N/A



# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

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

 DATES
 Assigned
 15-Jun-2020

 PCW
 13-Oct-2020
 Screening
 18-Jun-2020
 EPA Due

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION

Respondent Project Storm, LLC

Reg. Ent. Ref. No. RN110445749

Facility/Site Region 12-Houston Major/Minor Source Minor

CASE INFORMATION

Enf./Case ID No. 59481

Docket No. 2020-0840-AIR-E

Media Program(s) Air

Multi-Media

Multi-Media

Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum \$0 Maximum

No. of Violations 2

Order Type 1660

Government/Non-Profit No

Enf. Coordinator Johnnie Wu

EC's Team Enforcement Team 5

			Penalty Ca	alculati	on Section	า		
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	Notes	The Re	espondent does not	meet the	culpability crite	ria.		
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**PCW** 

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

Screening Date 18-Jun-2020
Respondent Project Storm, LLC

Case ID No. 59481

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN110445749

**Media** Air

Enf. Coordinator Johnnie Wu

# **Compliance History Worksheet**

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Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action ( <i>number of NOVs meeting criteria</i> )	0	0%
Other written NOVs	0	0%
Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability ( <i>number of orders meeting criteria</i> )	0	0%
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	0	0%
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%
Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government ( <i>number of counts</i> )	0	0%
Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%
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Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
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	Economic Benefit Worksheet							
Respondent	Project Storm,	, LLC						
Case ID No.	59481							
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Media Violation No.						Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation	
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Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
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	n/a	\$0	
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
Permit Costs	\$5,000	4-Dec-2019	13-Aug-2021	1.69	\$423	n/a	\$423	
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
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Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0 \$0	\$0	
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Economic Benefit Worksheet							
Respondent	Project Storm	, LLC					
Case ID No.	59481						
Reg. Ent. Reference No.	RN110445749						
Media Violation No.						Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
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Financial Assurance				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	1 \$0	1 \$0 1	\$0
Notes for AVOIDED costs							
Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$5,000			TOTAL		\$423

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# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN603976010, RN110445749, Rating Year 2019 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2014, through August 31, 2019.

Customer, Respondent, CN603976010, Project Storm, LLC Classification: UNCLASSIFIED Rating: -----

or Owner/Operator:

Regulated Entity: RN110445749, SEDONA SECTION 6 Classification: UNCLASSIFIED Rating: -----

SN0206720

Complexity Points: 5 Repeat Violator: NO

**CH Group:** 09 - Construction

**Location:** 2600 HOBBS RD LEAGUE CITY, TX 77573, GALVESTON COUNTY

TCEQ Region: REGION 12 - HOUSTON

ID Number(s):

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 152602L001

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2014 to August 31, 2019 Rating Year: 2019 Rating Date: 09/01/2019

**Date Compliance History Report Prepared:** June 23, 2020

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: June 23, 2015 to June 23, 2020

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

**Name:** Johnnie Wu **Phone:** (512) 239-2524

#### Site and Owner/Operator History:

1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period? NO

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

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

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

N/A

**B.** Criminal convictions:

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

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

N/A

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

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.

N/A

F. Environmental audits:

N/A

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):

N/A

н.	Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates:
	N/A
I.	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program: N/A
J.	Early compliance: N/A

**Sites Outside of Texas:** 

N/A

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

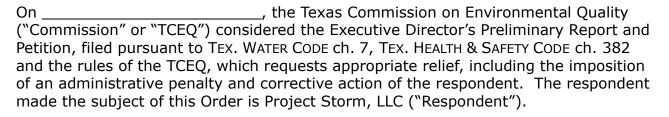


IN THE MATTER OF AN
<b>ENFORCEMENT ACTION</b>
CONCERNING
PROJECT STORM, LLC;
RN110445749

§ §	BEFORE THE
§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
§ §	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL QUALIT</b>

#### **DEFAULT ORDER**

#### **DOCKET NO. 2020-0840-AIR-E**



The Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent owns and operates a portable air curtain incinerator ("ACI") located at 2600 Hobbs Road in League City, Galveston County, Texas (the "Site"). The Site consists or consisted of one or more sources as defined in Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.003(12).
- 2. During an investigation conducted November 5, 2019 through June 11, 2020, an investigator documented that Respondent:
  - Failed to obtain a federal operating permit ("FOP") prior to operating ACI.
     Specifically, Respondent was operating ACI SN 0200-300 prior to obtaining a FOP;
  - b. Failed to obtain authorization prior to constructing or modifying a source of air contaminants. Specifically, Respondent was operating ACI SN 0200-300 prior to obtaining the proper authorization.
- 3. The Executive Director filed the "Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition Recommending that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enter an Enforcement Order Assessing an Administrative Penalty Against and Requiring Certain Actions of Project Storm, LLC" (the "EDPRP") in the TCEQ Chief Clerk's office on December 23, 2020.
- 4. By letter dated December 23, 2020, sent to Respondent's last known address via certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, the Executive Director served Respondent with notice of the EDPRP. According to the return receipt "green card," Respondent received notice of the EDPRP on December 26, 2020, as evidenced by the signature on the card.

5. More than 20 days have elapsed since Respondent received notice of the EDPRP. Respondent failed to file an answer and failed to request a hearing.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 1, Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEQ pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code ch. 382 and the rules of the TCEO.
- 2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.a, Respondent failed to obtain a FOP prior to operating an ACI, in violation of Tex. Health & Safety Code §§ 382.054 and 382.085(b) and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 122.121.
- 3. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.b, Respondent failed to obtain authorization prior to constructing or modifying a source of air contaminants, in violation of Tex. Health & Safety Code §§ 382.0518(a) and 382.085(b) and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 116.110(a).
- 4. As evidenced by Findings of Fact Nos. 3 and 4, the Executive Director timely served Respondent with proper notice of the EDPRP, as required by Tex. WATER CODE § 7.055 and 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 70.104(b)(1).
- 5. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 5, Respondent failed to file a timely answer as required by Tex. Water Code § 7.056 and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.105. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 7.057 and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.106, the Commission may enter a Default Order against Respondent and assess the penalty recommended by the Executive Director.
- 6. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 7.051, the Commission has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against Respondent for violations of state statutes within TCEQ's jurisdiction, for violations of rules adopted under such statutes, or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
- 7. An administrative penalty in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) is justified by the facts recited in this Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in Tex. Water Code § 7.053.
- 8. Tex. Water Code §§ 5.102 and 7.002 authorize the Commission to issue orders and make determinations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the statutes within its jurisdiction.

#### **ORDERING PROVISIONS**

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

1. Respondent is assessed an administrative penalty in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for violations of state statutes and rules of the TCEQ. The payment of this penalty and Respondent's compliance with all the requirements set forth in this Order resolve only the matters set forth by this Order in this action. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective actions or penalties for violations which are not raised here.

2. The penalty assessed by this Order shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Order. All checks submitted to pay the penalty imposed by this Order shall be made out to TCEQ and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Project Storm, LLC; Docket No. 2020-0840-AIR-E" to:

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

- 3. Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
  - a. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Order, either permanently cease operating the ACI or submit an administratively complete registration for a Permit by Rule to authorize the ACI, in accordance with 30 Tex. Admin. Code ch. 106, and submit an administratively complete FOP application for the ACI, as described by 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 122.134, to:

Air Permits Division, MC 163 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

- b. Respond completely and adequately, as determined by the TCEQ, to all requests for information concerning the registration and FOP application by any deadline specified in writing.
- c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Order, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision No. 3.a.
- d. Within 180 days after the effective date of this Order, submit written certification that either authorization to operate the ACI and an FOP have been obtained or that the operation has ceased until such time that the appropriate authorizations are obtained.
- e. The certifications required by these Ordering Provisions shall be accompanied by detailed supporting documentation, including photographs, receipts, and/or other records, shall be signed by Respondent, and shall include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The written certifications and supporting documentation necessary to demonstrate compliance with these Ordering Provisions shall be sent to:

Order Compliance Team
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Enforcement Division, MC 149A
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

and:

Air Section Manager Houston Regional Office Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 5425 Polk Street, Suite H Houston Texas 77023-1452

- 4. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
- 5. The provisions of this Order shall apply to and be binding upon Respondent. Respondent is ordered to give notice of this Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Site operations referenced in this Order.
- 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 Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until 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. If 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, Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Order. Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
- 8. The Executive Director may refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings without notice to Respondent if the Executive Director determines that Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Order.
- 9. 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.
- 10. 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.

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11. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this fully executed Order to each of the parties. By law, the effective date of this Order shall be the date the Order is final, as provided by 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.106(d) and Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.144.

## SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION O	N ENVIRONM	ENTAL QUALITY	
For the Commission	Date		

## TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



#### **UNSWORN DECLARATION OF CASEY KURNATH**

- 1. "On behalf of the Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the "Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition Recommending that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enter an Enforcement Order Assessing an Administrative Penalty Against and Requiring Certain Actions of Project Storm, LLC" (the "EDPRP") was filed in the TCEQ Chief Clerk's office on December 23, 2020.
- 2. The EDPRP was mailed to Respondent's last known address on December 23, 2020, via certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid. According to the return receipt "green card," Respondent received notice of the EDPRP on December 26, 2020, as evidenced by the signature on the card.

More than 20 days have elapsed since Respondent received notice of the EDPRP. Respondent failed to file an answer and failed to request a hearing."

"My name is Casey M. Kurnath, and I am an employee of the following governmental agency: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. I am executing this declaration as part of my assigned duties and responsibilities. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct."

State of Texas	,		
on the <u>1st</u>	day of	<u>June</u>	, 2021
Casey K	Kurnath		
Declarant			

Executed in \_\_\_\_\_Williamson\_\_\_\_\_County,