

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



**REVISED NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
(To change the date of the public meeting.)
FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER
NEW**

PERMIT NO. WQ0005228000

APPLICATION. GCGV Asset Holding LLC, 22777 Springwoods Village Parkway, Spring, Texas 77389, which proposes to operate a chemical manufacturing facility that will produce ethylene, monoethylene glycol, and polyethylene, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a new permit, Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0005228000, to authorize the discharge of treated process wastewater, cooling tower blowdown, maintenance wastewater, water treatment wastewater, railcar wash water, miscellaneous wastewater, wastewater from commissioning activities, and stormwater at a daily average flow not to exceed 9,030,000 gallons per day via Outfall 001 and stormwater and allowable non-stormwater on an intermittent and flow-variable basis via Outfalls 002, 003, 004, and 005.

The facility will be located on the south side of State Highway 181 and on the west side of Farm-to-Market Road 2986, approximately one mile west of the City of Gregory, in San Patricio County, Texas 78359. The effluent will be discharged from the plant site via pipe to Corpus Christi Bay via Outfall 001, in Segment No. 2481 of the Bays and Estuaries; via Outfalls 002 and 003 to drainage ditches, thence to mud flats, thence to Copano Bay/Port Bay/Mission Bay in Segment No. 2472 of the Bays and Estuaries; and via Outfalls 004 and 005 to drainage ditches, thence to Green Lake Ditch, thence to Green Lake, thence to a tidal channel, thence to Corpus Christi Bay in Segment No. 2481 of the Bays and Estuaries. The unclassified receiving water uses are minimal aquatic life use for the drainage ditches, limited aquatic life use for Green Lake Ditch, high aquatic life use for Green Lake, and exceptional aquatic life use for the tidal channel. The designated uses for Segment No. 2472 and Segment No. 2481 are primary contact recreation, oyster waters, and exceptional aquatic life use. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application.

<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=27.930833&lng=-97.322777&zoom=13&type=r>

In accordance with Title 30 Texas Administrative Code Section 307.5 and TCEQ's *Procedures to Implement the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards* (June 2010), an antidegradation review of the receiving waters was performed. A Tier 1 antidegradation review has preliminarily determined that existing water quality uses will not be impaired by this permit action. Numerical and narrative criteria to protect existing uses will be maintained. A Tier 2 review has preliminarily determined that no significant degradation of water quality is expected in Green Lake, which has been identified as having high aquatic life use. Also, no significant degradation

of water quality is expected in the tidal channel or Corpus Christi Bay, which have been identified as having exceptional aquatic life use. Existing uses will be maintained and protected. The preliminary determination can be reexamined and may be modified if new information is received.

The TCEQ executive director reviewed this action for consistency with the Texas Coastal Management Program (CMP) goals and policies in accordance with the regulations of the General Land Office and has determined that the action is consistent with the applicable CMP goals and policies.

The TCEQ executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. A public meeting will be held and will consist of two parts, an Informal Discussion Period and a Formal Comment Period. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act. During the Informal Discussion Period, the public will be encouraged to ask questions of the applicant and TCEQ staff concerning the permit application. The comments and questions submitted orally during the Informal Discussion Period will not be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application and no formal response will be made. Responses will be provided orally during the Informal Discussion Period. During the Formal Comment Period on the permit application, members of the public may state their formal comments orally into the official record. A written response to all timely, relevant and material, or significant comments will be prepared by the Executive Director. All formal comments will be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application. A copy of the written response will be sent to each person who submits a formal comment or who requested to be on the mailing list for this permit application and provides a mailing address. Only relevant and material issues raised during the Formal Comment Period can be considered if a contested case hearing is granted on this permit application.

The Public Meeting is to be held:

***Monday, December 11, 2017 at 7:00 PM
Stephen F. Austin Elementary School
308 N. Gregory
Gregory, Texas 78359***

Please note, the public meeting previously scheduled for December 4, 2017, is cancelled.

INFORMATION. Citizens are encouraged to submit written comments anytime during the meeting or by mail before the close of the public comment period to the Office of the Chief Clerk, TCEQ, Mail Code MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.texas.gov.

The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Bell Whittington Public Library, 2400 Memorial Parkway, Portland, in San Patricio County, Texas and at La Retama Central Library, 805 Comanche Street, Corpus Christi, in Nueces County, Texas. Further information may also be obtained from GCGV Asset Holding LLC at the address stated above or by calling Mr. John E. Groneck at 832-624-9618.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the meeting should call the Office of the Chief Clerk at (512) 239-3300 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) at least one week prior to the meeting.

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