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Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) for MSGP Stormwater Permittees

June 2018 - Starting Sept. 1, 2018, Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) discharge monitoring reports (DMRs) must be submitted electronically using the NetDMR system, unless the permittee requests and obtains an electronic reporting waiver. Only facilities who obtain a waiver will be allowed to continue submitting paper DMRs after Sept. 1, 2018.

Important Update: Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) TXR050000, NetDMR Electronic Reporting Temporary Waiver Issued

If you currently have an active stormwater Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) TXR050000 authorization, please be aware that although the MSGP states that effective Dec. 21, 2016, all discharge monitoring reports (DMRs) must be submitted electronically using the online NetDMR reporting system, this option is not available at this time.

Samples for MSGP DMRs must be collected before Dec. 31, 2018, and the sampling results must be reported to the TCEQ by March 31, 2019.

Permittees are required to submit MSGP DMRs for:

- facilities in sectors A, C, D, E, J, O, and S, and;
- facilities in all sectors required to meet numeric effluent limits for hazardous metals, when sample results indicate an exceedance of any constituent listed.

The TCEQ may grant a Temporary Waiver from the electronic reporting rule in limited cases. If you are unable to report electronically, you can submit a [Request for Electronic Reporting Waiver](#)  form (TCEQ-20754). A separate waiver form is required for each permit or authorization. Waiver forms may also be obtained by contacting the Stormwater Permitting Program at 512-239-3700.

To submit your DMRs electronically, you must access the NetDMR system through the EPA's Central Data Exchange (CDX). Please visit the [NetDMR Support Portal webpage](#)  to find information on how to create an account. Facilities can also contact EPA's eReporting help desk at 1-877-227-8965, or send an email to support@epanet.zendesk.com to receive assistance with creating a CDX account.

If you have questions, please call the Small Business and Local Government Assistance hotline at 1-800-447-2827 or visit TCEQ's website to learn more about [Monitoring and Reporting Stormwater Discharges from Industrial Facilities](#).

Dry Cleaner Advisory Committee Vacancy

May 2018 - The Dry Cleaner Advisory Committee advises the TCEQ on implementing the Dry Cleaner Environmental Remediation Program.

This committee has been appointed in accordance with [House Bill 1366](#), 78th Texas Legislature (Regular Session), 2003 which created Chapter 374 of the Texas Health and Safety Code (THSC).

In accordance with Chapter 374.004 of the THSC, the advisory committee is to be composed of three industry representatives and two public representatives—one rural and one urban.

The current members of the Dry Cleaner Advisory Committee are:

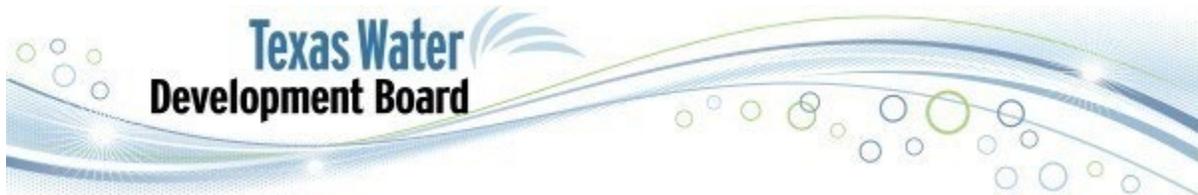
Name	City	Representing
Ms. Vicky Maisel	San Antonio	Dry Cleaning Industry
Vacant		Dry Cleaning Industry
Ms. Shirley French Reichstadt	Dallas	Dry Cleaning Industry
Dr. Charles Riggs	Denton	Urban Public
Ms. Carolyn Gibson-Baros	El Campo	Rural Public

The TCEQ is currently seeking an industry representative on the Dry Cleaner Advisory Committee. Potential candidates must be a representative of the dry cleaning industry (own and/or operate a dry cleaner, etc.). Applicants should submit a resume to the following address:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Dry Cleaner Advisory Committee, c/o Michael A. Bame, P.G.
Mail Code 137
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Texas Water Development Board: Regional financial assistance workshop to be held in Beeville on June 5

May 2018 - The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) will hold a financial assistance workshop in Beeville, Texas, on Tuesday, June 5, 2018.



The workshop will provide valuable information and one-on-one opportunities to discuss your project needs. The TWDB regional project team for your area, along with TWDB program coordinators, will be at the workshop to discuss specific projects and answer any questions you may have.

The workshop will take place at the Beeville Community Center – Room 101, 111 East Corpus Christi Street, Beeville, Texas, at 1:00 p.m.

The workshop will include:

- Disaster recovery response: amendments to the State Revolving Funds
- A brief but informative overview of the TWDB and the types of financing available
- A handout with financial program updates
- One-on-one meetings with TWDB staff to explore funding options for your projects
- A one-hour presentation. Meetings with TWDB staff will follow the presentation.

Registration information

Please email your name, title, entity, email, telephone number, and the workshop location you are planning to attend to srfworkshops@twdb.texas.gov. General questions may be directed to your [regional project team manager](#)

Please register as soon as possible, as venues are subject to capacity limitations.

Please visit the [TWDB website](#)

TCEQ Adopts Revisions to the Petroleum Storage Tank Rules

May 2018 - On May 9, 2018, TCEQ commissioners adopted revisions to 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 334, Underground and Aboveground Storage Tanks.

The adopted rules incorporate changes from EPA's 2015 revisions to the [federal underground storage tank \(UST\) regulations](#) in Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 280.

The rule revisions include:

- Periodic operation and maintenance requirements for UST systems to conduct walkthrough inspections and test UST system components,
- Requirements to ensure UST system compatibility before storing certain biofuel blends,
- New requirements to annually test specific release-detection equipment,
- Changes to comply with existing EPA release-detection requirements to monitor at least every 30 days (instead of every 35 days), and
- Minor rule revisions relating to the fee on delivery of petroleum products to reflect changes that were statutorily implemented in the Texas Water Code in 2015.

The rules will publish in the Texas Register on May 25, 2018, and be effective on May 31, 2018. To view the adopted rule, visit www.tceq.texas.gov/rules/adopt.html.