

# Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



## DECISION OF THE COMMISSION REGARDING THE PETITION FOR RULEMAKING FILED BY TEXAS SEPTIC SYSTEMS COUNCIL

Docket No. 2017-0425-PET  
Rule Project No. 2017-021-PET-NR

On May 24, 2017, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (Commission) considered the petition for rulemaking filed by the Texas Septic Systems Council. The petitioner filed the request on March 27, 2017, and requested changes to 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 285, On-site Sewage Facilities (OSSF) related to grease interceptors, conditioning of all commercial OSSF permits, design requirements for restaurants, specific requirements for flow equalization, and requirements for equipment to measure wastewater flow in an OSSF.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, pursuant to Administrative Procedure Act, Texas Government Code, § 2001.021 and Texas Water Code, § 5.102 and § 5.103 that the petition be denied. The decision to deny the petition is based on our conclusion that the Commission's existing rules concerning grease interceptors and restaurant food service OSSFs are protective of human health and the environment. The Commission includes the reasons to deny the petition as expressed in the executive director's response memorandum to the petitioner dated May 5, 2017.

This Decision constitutes the decision of the Commission required by the Texas Government Code, § 2001.021(c).

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Bryan W. Shaw, Ph.D., P.E., Chairman

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