

**Biography: Rebecca L. Villalba**  
**Water Quality Division**  
**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality**

***Current Position***

Rebecca L. Villalba has been working at the TCEQ since August of 1996 in the Wastewater Permitting Section of the Water Quality Division. Currently, she is the Team Leader for the Stormwater & Pretreatment Team. She is responsible for supervising staff that implements the Stormwater (construction, industrial, and municipal), pretreatment, and quarry programs and their associated permitting activities.

Prior to July 1, 2011, she was as a Sr. Pretreatment Coordinator in the Stormwater & Pretreatment Team providing oversight for numerous Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) pretreatment programs. Her oversight activities included performing pretreatment program audits, industrial user categorical determinations, reviewing publicly owned treatment works (POTW) permit applications for appropriate pretreatment requirements, and reviewing pretreatment program substantial modifications.

***Prior Experience and Education***

Ms. Villalba has participated in the TCEQ's partnership efforts with the Mexican government related to the pretreatment program. In 2001, Ms. Villalba completed the five-day Environmental Management Systems (EMS) Lead Auditor Training Course. Since then, she has been representing the Water Quality Division in the EMS team involved in developing and implementing the TCEQ's EMS program.

Ms. Villalba has a B.S. degree in Chemistry with Chemical Engineering and Spanish minors from the University of Houston. Prior to joining the TCEQ; she worked at an international chemical company in the area of industrial solid and hazardous waste management and at NASA-Johnson Space Center in the water laboratory conducting experiments and research to support the Space Shuttle and Space Station water disinfection projects.

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