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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

August 30, 2017

Ms. Shannon Rusing
Texas Oil and Gas Association
304 West 13th Street
Austin, Texas 78701

AND

Mr. Scott Fisher
Texas Food and Fuel Association
401 West 15th Street, Suite 510
Austin, Texas 78701

RE: Notice of the August 30, 2017, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Waiver
Concerning Conventional and Reformulated Gasoline in Texas and Other States

Dear Ms. Rusing and Mr. Fisher:

On August 30, 2017, the U.S. EPA issued a fuel waiver to allow use of gasoline with a Reid Vapor Pressure (RVP) of 11.5 pounds per square inch (psi) in the State of Texas (as well as the additional states of Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Louisiana, Florida, and the District of Columbia), in order to increase the gasoline supply and minimize potential supply disruptions caused by the impact of Hurricane Harvey in Texas. The attached EPA letter details the requirements of the fuel waiver for specific gasoline fuel types. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality concurs with the EPA action.

Persons or businesses must keep records on the amount of conventional gasoline distributed or sold using this waiver. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Minor Hibbs, P.E. or Mr. Keith Sheedy, P.E. of my staff at (512) 239-6590 or (512) 239-1556, respectively.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard A. Hyde".

Richard A. Hyde, P.E.
Executive Director

Enclosure