Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 58825 Joe Gonzales and Louise Hutson RN110795747 Docket No. 2020-0115-MSW-E

Order Type: 1660 Agreed Order **Findings Order Justification:** N/A Media: MSW **Small Business:** N/A Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred: Unauthorized Disposal Site, 509 County Road 4820, De Leon, Comanche County **Type of Operation:** Unauthorized waste tire disposal site **Other Significant Matters:** Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No Past-Due Penalties: No Other: N/A Interested Third-Parties: None Texas Register Publication Date: October 1, 2021 Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$7,875 Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$1,575 Total Paid to General Revenue: \$525 Total Due to General Revenue: \$5,775 Payment Plan: 11 payments of \$525 each Compliance History Classifications: Person/CN - Satisfactory Site/RN - Satisfactory Major Source: Yes Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A Applicable Penalty Policy: April 2014

Investigation Information

Complaint Date(s): N/A Complaint Information: N/A Date(s) of Investigation: May 30, 2019 and December 5, 2019 Date(s) of NOE(s): January 13, 2020

Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 58825 Joe Gonzales and Louise Hutson RN110795747 Docket No. 2020-0115-MSW-E

Violation Information

Caused, suffered, allowed, or permitted the unauthorized disposal of municipal solid waste ("MSW"). Specifically, 37,640 tires were disposed of at the Site [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 330.15(a) and (c)].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

N/A

Technical Requirements:

The Order will require the Respondents to:

a. Immediately, cease disposing of any additional MSW;

b. Within 90 days, remove all MSW, including but not limited to scrap tires, from the Site and dispose of it at an authorized facility; and

c. Within 105 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with a. and b.

Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A **TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Tyler Richardson, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 7, MC 219, (512) 239-4872; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548 **Respondent:** Joe Gonzales, Operator, 509 County Road 4820, De Leon, Texas 76444 Louise Hutson, Operator, 509 County Road 4820, De Leon, Texas 76444 **Respondent's Attorney:** N/A

	Policy Revision 4 (Ap		nalty Calc	ulatio	n Workst	neet (PC	•	Revision March 26,	, 2014
DATES	Assigned PCW		Screening 21-	Jan-2020	EPA Due				
Reg					Major/N	linor Source	Major		
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Med		2020-0115-MSW- Municipal Solid W	aste	imum	Government	Coordinator	1660		
			Penalty C	Calculat	tion Section	on			
ΤΟΤΑ	L BASE PENA	LTY (Sum of					Subtotal 1	\$7	,500
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	Notes	Enhance	ment for one NO	/ with sam	e/similar violati	ons.			
	Culpability	No		0.0%	Enhancement		Subtotal 4		\$0
	Notes	The Res	spondents do not	meet the	culpability crite	ria.			
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		Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	0	0%				
	Orders	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement order without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federa government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	I 0	0%				
	Judgments and Consent	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denia of liability of this state or the federal government (<i>number of judgments or consent decrees meeting criteria</i>)		0%				
	Decrees	Any adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this state or the federal government		0%				
	Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government (<i>number of counts</i>)	0	0%				
	Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%				
	Audits	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature 1995 (number of audits for which notices were submitted)		0%				
	Audits	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audi Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (<i>number of audits for which violations were</i> <i>disclosed</i>)		0%				
		Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%				
	Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive directo under a special assistance program	r No	0%				
		Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%				
		Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federa government environmental requirements	l No	0%				
		Adjustment Pe	ercentage (Sub	total 2)	5%			
>> R	epeat Violator	(Subtotal 3)						
	No	Adjustment Pe	ercentage (Sub	total 3)	0%			
>> C	ompliance Hist	ory Person Classification (Subtotal 7)						
	Satisfactory	Performer Adjustment Pe	ercentage (Sub	total 7)	0%			
>> C	>> Compliance History Summary							
	Compliance History Notes	Enhancement for one NOV with same/similar violations.						
		Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage	Subtotals 2,	3, & 7)	5%			
>> Fin	al Compliance	History Adjustment	-					
		Final Adjustment Percen	tage *capped a	at 100%	5%			

Screening Date21-Jan-2020DocketRespondentJoe Gonzales and Louise HutsonCase ID No.58825

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN110795747

Media Municipal Solid Waste

Enf. Coordinator Tyler Richardson

Other written NOVs

Component Number of...

NOVs

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Compliance History Worksheet Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)

Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in

the current enforcement action (number of NOVs meeting criteria)

Policy Revision 4 (April 2014) PCW Revision March 26, 2014

Adjust.

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Number

1

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PCW

Docket No. 2020-0115-MSW-E

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		Coordinator	Tyler Richardson						
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			Extraordinary Ordinary						
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			Notes	this violation.					
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	E	conomic	Benefit	Wo	rksheet		
Respondent	Joe Gonzales a	and Louise Hutsor	า				
Case ID No.	58825						
Reg. Ent. Reference No.	RN110795747						
	Municipal Solid	l Waste				Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
Violation No.	1						
						5.0	15
	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
Item Description							
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Delayed Costs							
Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/Construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
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Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN605670157, RN110795747, Rating Year 2019 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2014, through August 31, 2019.

	stomer, Respondent, or /ner/Operator:	• CN605670157, Joe Gonz	zales	Classification: S	ATISFACTORY	Rating	: 4.00
Regulated Entity:		RN110795747, Unauthor at 509 Country Road 482		Classification: S	Rating	Rating: 4.00	
Co	mplexity Points:	0		Repeat Violator:	NO		
СН	Group:	14 - Other					
Lo	cation:	509 County Road 4820 in	n De Leon, Comancl	ne County, Texas			
тс	EQ Region:	REGION 03 - ABILENE					
	Number(s): INICIPAL SOLID WASTE N	ON PERMITTED ID NUM R03110795					
Co	mpliance History Period	September 01, 2014	4 to August 31, 201	9 Rating Year:	2019 Ra	ating Date:	09/01/2019
Da	te Compliance History I	Report Prepared:	January 21, 2020				
Ag	ency Decision Requiring	g Compliance History	y: Enforceme	nt			
Co	mponent Period Selecte	ed: January 21, 201	5 to January 21, 20	20			
тс	EQ Staff Member to Cor	ntact for Additional I	Information Reg	arding This Compli	ance History.		
	Name: Tyler Richardson			Phone: (512) 239-4872		
2) ł	Has the site been in existence Has there been a (known) cha mponents (Multimed	ange in ownership/operate	or of the site during	the compliance period?	NO NO		
A.	Final Orders, court juc	igments, and conser	nt decrees:				
в.	Criminal convictions: N/A						
C.	Chronic excessive emi N/A	ssions events:					
D.	The approval dates of N/A	investigations (CCE	DS Inv. Track. N	lo.):			
E.	Written notices of viol A notice of violation represe entity. A notice of violation	ents a written allegation o	f a violation of a spe	ecific regulatory requirer		mmission to a	regulated
	1 Date: 07/2 Self Report?	22/2019 (1576464) NO		Classification:	Moderate		

- F. Environmental audits: N/A
- G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs): $_{\mbox{$N/A$}}$
- H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates: $_{\mbox{N/A}}$
- I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program: \$N/A\$
- J. Early compliance: N/A

Sites Outside of Texas:

N/A

Component Appendices

Appendix A All NOVs Issued During Component Period 1/21/2015 and 1/21/2020

1*	Date: 07,	/22/2019	(1576464)
	Self Report?	NO	For Informational Classification: On Moderate hapter 330, SubChapter A 330.15(a)
	Citation:	30 TAC C	hapter 330, SubChapter A 330.15(a)
		30 TAC C	hapter 330, SubChapter A 330.15(c)
	Description:	not cause	comply with the General Prohibition requirements which states a person may e, suffer, allow, or permit the collection, storage, transportation, processing, or of municipal solid waste (MSW) without the authorization of the commission.

* NOVs applicable for the Compliance History rating period 9/1/2014 to 8/31/2019

Appendix **B** All Investigations Conducted During Component Period January 21, 2015 and January 21, 2020

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* No violations documented during this investigation

**Investigation applicable for the Compliance History Rating period between 09/01/2014 and 08/31/2019.



Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN605670124, RN110795747, Rating Year 2019 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2014, through August 31, 2019.

	stomer, Respondent, o vner/Operator:	r CN605670124, Louise Hutson	Classification: SATISFACTOF	RY Rating: 4.00
Re	gulated Entity:	RN110795747, Unauthorized Disposal Site at 509 County Road 4820	Classification: SATISFACTOR	RY Rating: 4.00
Со	mplexity Points:	0	Repeat Violator: NO	
СН	Group:	14 - Other		
Lo	cation:	509 Country Road 4820 in De Leon, Coman	che County, Texas	
тс	EQ Region:	REGION 03 - ABILENE		
	Number(s): UNICIPAL SOLID WASTE I	NON PERMITTED ID NUMBER R03110795747		
Со	mpliance History Perio	d: September 01, 2014 to August 31, 201	.9 Rating Year: 2019	Rating Date: 09/01/2019
Da	te Compliance History	Report Prepared: January 28, 2020)	_
Ag	ency Decision Requirin	g Compliance History: Enforceme	nt	
Со	mponent Period Select	ed: January 28, 2015 to January 28, 20	20	
тс	EQ Staff Member to Co	ntact for Additional Information Reg	arding This Compliance Hist	ory.
	Name: Tyler Richardsor		Phone: (512) 239-48	72
2)	Has there been a (known) ch	e and/or operation for the full five year comp ange in ownership/operator of the site during lia) for the Site Are Listed in Sec	the compliance period?	NO NO
Α.	Final Orders, court ju N/A	dgments, and consent decrees:		
в.	Criminal convictions: N/A			
C.	Chronic excessive em N/A	issions events:		
D.	The approval dates of N/A	investigations (CCEDS Inv. Track. I	No.):	
E.	A notice of violation represe	lations (NOV) (CCEDS Inv. Track. Ne ents a written allegation of a violation of a sp n is not a final enforcement action, nor proof	ecific regulatory requirement from the	
	1 Date: 07/ Self Report?	22/2019 (1576464) NO	Classification: Moderate	

- F. Environmental audits: N/A
- G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs): $_{\mbox{$N/A$}}$
- H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates: $_{\mbox{N/A}}$
- I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program: \$N/A\$
- J. Early compliance: N/A

Sites Outside of Texas:

N/A

Component Appendices

Appendix A All NOVs Issued During Component Period 1/28/2015 and 1/28/2020

1*	,	/22/2019	(1576464)
	Self Report?	NO	For Informational PClassification: On Moderate hapter 330, SubChapter A 330.15(a)
	Citation:	30 TAC C	hapter 330, SubChapter A 330.15(a)
		30 TAC C	hapter 330, SubChapter A 330.15(c)
	Description:	not cause	comply with the General Prohibition requirements which states a person may e, suffer, allow, or permit the collection, storage, transportation, processing, or of municipal solid waste (MSW) without the authorization of the commission.

* NOVs applicable for the Compliance History rating period 9/1/2014 to 8/31/2019

Appendix B All Investigations Conducted During Component Period January 28, 2015 and January 28, 2020

Item 1 January 13, 2020 For⁽¹⁶¹⁷⁰⁰⁰⁾mational Purposes Only

 \ast No violations documented during this investigation

**Investigation applicable for the Compliance History Rating period between 09/01/2014 and 08/31/2019.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



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IN THE MATTER OF AN ENFORCEMENT ACTION CONCERNING JOE GONZALES AND LOUISE HUTSON RN110795747

BEFORE THE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2020-0115-MSW-E

I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On ______, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding Joe Gonzales and Louise Hutson (the "Respondents") under the authority of TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 361 and TEX. WATER CODE ch. 7. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondents together stipulate that:

- 1. Louise Hutson owns, and Joe Gonzales operates an unauthorized waste tire disposal site located at 509 County Road 4820 in De Leon, Comanche County, Texas (the "Site"). The Site involves or involved the management of municipal solid waste ("MSW") including scrap tires as defined in TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 361.
- 2. The Executive Director and the Respondents agree that the TCEQ has jurisdiction to enter this Order pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE §§ 7.002, 7.051, and 7.073, and that the Respondents are subject to TCEQ's jurisdiction. The TCEQ has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 5.013 because it alleges violations of TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 361 and the rules of the TCEQ.
- 3. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondents of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
- 4. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$7,875 is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondents paid \$525 of the penalty and \$1,575 is deferred contingent upon the Respondents' timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Order. The deferred amount shall be waived only upon full compliance with all the terms and conditions contained in this Order. If the Respondents fail to timely and satisfactorily comply with any of the terms or requirements contained in this Order, the Executive Director may demand payment of all or part of the deferred penalty amount.

The remaining amount of \$5,775 of the undeferred penalty shall be paid in 11 monthly payments of \$525 each. The first monthly payment shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Order. The subsequent payments shall each be paid not later than 30 days following the due date of the previous payment until the penalty is paid in full. If the Respondents fail to comply with the payment requirements of this Order, including the payment schedule, the Executive Director may accelerate the maturity of the remaining installments, in which event the unpaid balance shall become immediately due and payable without demand or notice. The Respondents' failure to meet the payment schedule of this Order and/or the acceleration of any remaining balance constitutes the failure by the Respondents to timely and satisfactorily comply with all the terms and conditions of this Order and the Executive Director may demand payment of all or part of the deferred penalty amount.

- 5. The Executive Director and the Respondents agree on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to final approval in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(a). Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
- 6. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondents have not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Order.
- 7. This Order represents the complete and fully-integrated agreement of the parties. The provisions of this Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.
- 8. This Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Order, whichever is later.

II. ALLEGATIONS

During investigations conducted on May 30, 2019 and December 5, 2019, an investigator documented that the Respondents caused, suffered, allowed, or permitted the unauthorized disposal of MSW, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 330.15(a) and (c). Specifically, 37,640 tires were disposed of at the Site.

III. DENIALS

The Respondents generally deny each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

Joe Gonzales and Louise Hutson DOCKET NO. 2020-0115-MSW-E Page 3

IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ORDERS that:

1. The Respondents are assessed a penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph No. 4. The payment of this penalty and the Respondents' compliance with all of the requirements set forth in this Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Joe Gonzales and Louise Hutson, Docket No. 2020-0115-MSW-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13088 Austin, Texas 78711-3088

- 2. The Respondents are jointly and severally liable for the violations documented in this Order, and are jointly and severally liable for timely and satisfactory compliance with all terms and conditions of this Order.
- 3. The Respondents shall undertake the following technical requirements:
 - a. Immediately upon the effective date of this Order, cease disposing of any additional MSW at the Site;
 - b. Within 90 days after the effective date of this Order, remove all MSW, including but not limited to scrap tires, from the Site and dispose of it at an authorized facility; and
 - c. Within 105 days after the effective date of this Order, submit written certification, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision Nos. 3.a and 3.b. The certification shall be signed by the Respondents and shall include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations." The certification shall be submitted to:

Order Compliance Team Enforcement Division, MC 149A Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

with a copy to:

Waste Section Manager Abilene Regional Office Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 1977 Industrial Boulevard Abilene, Texas 79602-7833

- 4. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
- 5. The duties and provisions imposed by this Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondents. The Respondents are ordered to give notice of this Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Site operations referenced in this Order.
- 6. If the Respondents fail to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondents' failure to comply is not a violation of this Order. The Respondents shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondents shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondents become aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
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- 8. This Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondents in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
- 9. This Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or

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For the Commission

Date

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Signature

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Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of Joe Gonzales

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