# Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 60998 Copano Processing LLC RN101271419 Docket No. 2021-0865-AIR-E

## **Order Type:**

Findings Agreed Order

# **Findings Order Justification:**

People or environmental receptors have been exposed to pollutants which exceed levels that are protective.

Media:

AIR

#### **Small Business:**

No

### Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Copano Processing Houston Central Gas Plant, 1651 County Road 255 South, Sheridan, Colorado County

# **Type of Operation:**

Oil and gas processing plant

# **Other Significant Matters:**

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: March 4, 2022

Comments Received: No

# **Penalty Information**

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$25,000

**Total Paid to General Revenue: \$25,000** 

**Total Due to General Revenue: \$0** 

Payment Plan: N/A

# **Compliance History Classifications:**

Person/CN - Satisfactory Site/RN - Satisfactory

Major Source: Yes

**Statutory Limit Adjustment:** \$7,500 **Applicable Penalty Policy:** January 2021

# **Investigation Information**

**Complaint Date(s):** N/A

**Complaint Information**: N/A

Date(s) of Investigation: April 27, 2021 through May 4, 2021

**Date(s) of NOE(s):** June 7, 2021

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### **Violation Information**

Failed to prevent unauthorized emissions. Since the emissions event was not caused by a sudden unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process beyond the control of the owner or operator and could have been avoided by better design and/or better operational and maintenance practices, the Respondent is precluded from asserting an affirmative defense under 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 101.222 [30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 101.20(3), 116.115(c), and 122.143(4), New Source Review Permit Nos. 56613, PSDTX706, and PSDTX709M1, Special Conditions No. 1, Federal Operating Permit No. O807, General Terms and Conditions and Special Terms and Conditions No. 8, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b)].

### Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

# **Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

The Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures in order to prevent the recurrence of emissions events due to the same or similar causes as Incident No. 287780:

- a. By June 12, 2019, updated the Loss of Power/Shutdown Operating Procedures;
- b. By July 1, 2019, conducted staff training;
- c. By July 29, 2019, began utilizing a higher voltage and more reliable power supply; and
- d. By August 17, 2021, improved the uninterrupted power supply for the Tank Farm, implemented process design improvements for the product tanks, installed and/or modified the alarms and interlocks for the product tanks and product pumps, updated the Standard Operating Procedure for the Pipeline Pump P-21A/B lineup, improved the mechanical integrity for affected pressure safety valves and thermal relief protection, updated Tank Farm drawings, and implemented measures to ensure the new Tank Farm console emergency shutdown switches are guarded against inadvertent operation and are clearly labeled.

# **Technical Requirements:**

N/A

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# **Contact Information**

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

**TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Toni Red, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 4, MC 219, (512) 239-1704; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

**Respondent:** Kevin Robinson, Director of Operations, Copano Processing LLC, P.O.

Box 381, Sheridan, Texas 77475 **Respondent's Attorney:** N/A



# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021) PCW Revision February 11, 2021

**DATES** 

Assigned 15-Jun-2021 PCW 18-Jan-2022 Screening 18-Jun-2021 **EPA Due** 

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION			
Respondent	Copano Processing LLC		
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.	RN101271419		
Facility/Site Region	12-Houston	Major/Minor Source Major	

CASE INFORMATION			
Enf./Case ID No.	60998	No. of Violations	1
Docket No.	2021-0865-AIR-E	Order Type	Findings
Media Program(s)	Air	Government/Non-Profit	No
Multi-Media		Enf. Coordinator	Toni Red
		EC's Team	Enforcement Team 4
Admin. Penalty \$	Limit Minimum \$0 Maximum	\$25,000	_

Admin. Penalty \$ 1	Limit Minimum	\$0 <b>Max</b>	imum	\$25,000			
		Penalty C	Calculat	tion Section	n		
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ADJUSTMENTS (+	/_) TO SURTO	FAL 1					
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Notes							
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STATUTORY LIMIT	T ADJUSTMENT	•			Final Ass	essed Penalty	\$25,000
			_				
<b>DEFERRAL</b> Reduces the Final Assessed Pe	analty by the indicated n	ercentage		0.0%	Reduction	Adjustment	\$0
Notes		erral is recommo	ended for	Findings Orders.			
PAYABLE PENALTY	Y						\$25,000

Screening Date 18-Jun-2021

Respondent Copano Processing LLC

**Case ID No.** 60998

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101271419

**Media** Air

Enf. Coordinator Toni Red

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**PCW** 

# **Compliance History Worksheet**

# >> Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)

Component	Number of	Number	Adjust.
NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action ( <i>number of NOVs meeting criteria</i> )	0	0%
	Other written NOVs	0	0%
	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability ( <i>number of orders meeting criteria</i> )	1	20%
Orders	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission		25%
Judgments and Consent Decrees	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government (number of judgments or consent decrees meeting criteria)	0	0%
	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 (number of counts)	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)		-1%
Addits	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which violations were disclosed)	2	-4%

		Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
	Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%	
		Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 2) 40%

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

No

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3)

0%

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

Satisfactory Performer

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7)

0%

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

Enhancement for one order containing a denial of liability and one order without a denial of liability.

Reduction for one notice of intent to conduct an audit and two disclosures of violations.

Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7)

>> Final Compliance History Adjustment

Final Adjustment Percentage \*capped at 100%

40%

40%

	Ec	conomic	Benefit	Wo	rksheet		
Respondent Copano Processing LLC							
Case ID No.							
Reg. Ent. Reference No. Media	Air					Percent Interest	Years of
Violation No.	1						Depreciation
						5.0	15
	Item Cost	<b>Date Required</b>	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	<b>Costs Saved</b>	EB Amount
Item Description							
Delayed Costs							
Equipment	\$25,000	7-Jul-2018	17-Aug-2021	3.12	\$260	\$5,192	\$5,452
Buildings				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Other (as needed) Engineering/Construction				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Engineering/Construction Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0 \$0
Record Keeping System	\$1,500	7-Jul-2018	12-Jun-2019	0.93	\$70	n/a	\$70
Training/Sampling	\$1,500	7-Jul-2018	1-Jul-2019	0.98	\$74	n/a	\$74
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Permit Costs Other (as needed)	\$10,000	7-Jul-2018	29-Jul-2019	0.00 1.06	\$0 \$530	n/a n/a	\$0 \$530
Notes for DELAYED costs  Avoided Costs	Estimated costs to update the Loss of Power/Shutdown Operating Procedures (\$1,500); conduct staff training (\$1,500); begin utilizing a higher voltage and more reliable power supply (\$10,000); and improve the uninterrupted power supply for the Tank Farm, implement process design improvements for the product tanks, install and/or modify the alarms and interlocks for the product tanks and product pumps, update the Standard Operating Procedure for the Pipeline Pump P-21A/B lineup, improve the mechanical integrity for affected pressure safety valves and thermal relief protection, update Tank Farm drawings, and implement measures to ensure the new Tank Farm console emergency shutdown switches are guarded against inadvertent operation and are clearly labeled (\$25,000) in order to prevent the recurrence of emissions events due to the same or similar causes as Incident No. 287770. The Dates Required is the date the emissions event occurred and the Final Dates are the dates of compliance.						
Disposal	ANIOA	LIZE avoided co	osts before en	0.00	\$0	r one-time avoide \$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Other (as needed)  Notes for AVOIDED costs		JI I		0.00	1 \$0	j \$0	\$0
Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$38,000			TOTAL		\$6,126



# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN604532515, RN101271419, Rating Year 2020 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2015, through August 31, 2020.

Customer, Respondent, or CN604532515, COPANO PROCESSING LLC Classification: SATISFACTORY Rating: 3.06

Owner/Operator:

Regulated Entity: RN101271419, COPANO PROCESSING Classification: SATISFACTORY Rating: 3.06

HOUSTON CENTRAL GAS PLT

Complexity Points: 14 Repeat Violator: NO

CH Group: 03 - Oil and Gas Extraction

**Location:** 1651 COUNTY RD 255 SOUTH SHERIDAN, TX 77475, COLORADO COUNTY

TCEQ Region: REGION 12 - HOUSTON

ID Number(s):

AIR OPERATING PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER CR0020C AIR OPERATING PERMIT 807

AIR OPERATING PERMITS PERMIT 3702 PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM/SUPPLY REGISTRATION 0450051

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER CR0020C AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS AFS NUM 4808900001

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS PERMIT 56613 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS EPA PERMIT PSDTX709M1

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS EPA PERMIT PSDTX706 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 50221

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 33867
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 10089
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102542

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 104949

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 131011

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS EPA PERMIT GHGPSDTX11 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 136454

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 135959

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 112392

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 151923 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 158633

AIR EMISSIONS INVENTORY ACCOUNT NUMBER CR0020C TAX RELIEF ID NUMBER 20190

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2015 to August 31, 2020 Rating Year: 2020 Rating Date: 09/01/2020

**Date Compliance History Report Prepared:** June 17, 2021

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: June 17, 2016 to June 17, 2021

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.

Name: Richard Garza Phone: (512) 239-2697

#### Site and Owner/Operator History:

1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period?

2) Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period?

#### Components (Multimedia) for the Site Are Listed in Sections A - J

A. Final Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees:

1 Effective Date: 04/28/2020 ADMINORDER 2019-1239-AIR-E (1660 Order-Agreed Order With Denial)

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.20(3)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: GT&Cs and ST&C 8 OP

SC No. 1 PERMIT

Description: Failure to preven unauthorized emissions.

2 Effective Date: 05/12/2020 ADMINORDER 2019-0919-AIR-E (Findings Order-Agreed Order Without Denial)

Classification: Major

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.20(3)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: NSR Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent the release of unauthorized emissions during an emissions event. (Category A12(i)(9)).

#### **B.** Criminal convictions:

N/A

#### C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

#### D. The approval dates of investigations (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

Item 1	September 15, 2016	(1345057)
Item 2	September 20, 2016	(1355297)
Item 3	March 21, 2017	(1383145)
Item 4	July 24, 2017	(1416517)
Item 5	September 22, 2017	(1424094)
Item 6	August 10, 2018	(1506161)
Item 7	September 10, 2018	(1510910)
Item 8	September 30, 2019	(1592561)
Item 9	October 04, 2019	(1579288)
Item 10	July 15, 2020	(1659234)

#### E. Written notices of violations (NOV) (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

A notice of violation represents a written allegation of a violation of a specific regulatory requirement from the commission to a regulated entity. A notice of violation is not a final enforcement action, nor proof that a violation has actually occurred.

N/A

#### F. Environmental audits:

Disclosure Date: 09/30/2016
Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT GG 60.334(i)(3)(ii)(A) 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT GG 60.334(i)(3)(ii)(B) 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT GG 60.334(i)(3)(ii)(C) 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT GG 60.334(i)(3)(ii)(D)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT NSR Permit No. 55613, SC 6.C.2.

Description: Failed to conduct sulfur content fuel monitoring of Turbine Nos. 202 and 203 in the first and third calendar quarters,

in accordance with PN 56613, SC(C)(3) and 40 CFR § 60.334 semi-annual custom fuel monitoring schedule

provisions.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) Rqmt Prov: PERMIT NSR Permit No. 55613, SC 11.D.

Description: Failed to maintain documentation to demonstrate that all semi-annual PEMS downtime reports have been submitted

to TCEQ. Additionally, some PEMS semi-annual reports did not document the corrective action taken for each

downtime event.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter C 122.210

Description: Failed to include all relevant NSR authorizations and requirements changes in the federal operating permit (No.

O0807).

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.144

Rqmt Prov: OP SOP O807, STC 15

Description: Failed to maintain five years worth of records demonstrating compliance with FOP O807.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.116

Description: Failed to ensure that EPN RTO-1 is only capable of controlling the waste gas permitted limit of 5.92 MMSCFD (it is

capable of controlling 7.5 MMSCFD).

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.110(a)

Description: Failed to accurately estimate RTO-1 NOx emissions to ensure the MAERT limit represents operation (emissions were

underestimated and therefore the MAERT limit is too low).

Viol. Classification: Major

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 106, SubChapter U 106.478

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.110(a)

Description: Failed to obtain authorization prior to operating a wastewater treatment system that emits VOC (since 1992) and a

temporary portable frac tank that has been at the facility for 12 months (since January 1, 2013).

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT A 60.7(a)(4)

Description: Failed to submit the initial NSPS 0000 notification on the modified distillate stabilizer unit due January 30, 2016.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT A 60.7(a)(3)

Description: Failed to submit the 15 day post start-up notification for Inlet/Residue Treaters and Tank Farm for NSPS 0000

applicability due October 22, 2015 and for TXP-1 due April 22, 2015.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT NSR Permit 56613, SC 3.C.

Description: Failed to monitor ammonia slip emissions on the Stream Boiler (EPN STK BLR3N) to demonstrate that they do not

exceed 10 ppm at 3 percent O2.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT NSR Permit No. 56613, SC 3.D.

Description: Failed to track Startup/Shutdown and reduced load operations for STKBLR3N to demonstrate that they are limited

to less than 200 hours per year.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT NSR Permit No. 56613, SC 11.B.

PERMIT NSR Permit No. 56613, SC 11.C.1.

Description: Failed to ensure that the PEMS is measuring the hourly CO output in pounds from EPNs STK BLR2, 3N, and 201.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-7a(h)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-7a(h)(3)

Description: Failed to develop and implement a Difficult to Monitor Plan that is required for facilities subject to Leak Detection

and Repair regulations.

Viol. Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145(2)(B)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145(2)(C)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-7a(g)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-7a(g)(2)

Description: Failed to report a deviation for failing to have a Difficult to Monitor Plan in the semi-annual deviation report.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.482-10(k)(2) 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-10a(k)(3) 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.482-7(h)(2)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-7a(h)(3)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT NSR Permit No. 56613, GC 8

PERMIT NSR Permit No. 56613, SC 1

Description: Failed to represent ammonia emissions from BLR3N SCR's ammonia slip in the permit application for the installation

of the SCR.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.10(b)(1)

Description: Failed to accurately report ammonia and HAPs emissions in previous emission inventories.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.110

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(b)(1) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT NSR Permit 56613, GC 8

PERMIT NSR Permit 56613, SC 1

Description: Failed to correctly calculate facility wide HAP emissions and to represent the facility as a major source for HAPs.

Therefore, failed to determine appropriate applicability for the 40 CFR Part 63 NESHAP HH, ZZZZ, DDDDD, YYYY

and to comply with the applicable notification and reporting requirements, in violation of §63.760, §63,764,§63.765, §63.766, §63.769,§63.771-63.775; §63.6600,§63.6602, §63.6610, §63.6612,§63.6615,

§63.6625, §63.6630,§63.6635, §63.6640, §63.664S,§63.6650, §63.6660; §63.7485

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

Description: Failure to comply with CO emissions rates for Boiler #2 (EPN STKBLR2). Specifically emissions in excess of permit

limits were observed when the boiler load was increased for RATA test on 7/28/16.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 106, SubChapter W 106.512

Description: Failure to comply with applicable NOx emission rates for Compressor Engine #360 (EPN COMP-1). Specifically, an

exceedance was discovered on July 19, 2016.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT MAERT Table

Description: Failure to comply with CO emission rates for Boiler #2 (EPN STKBLR2) during the period of December 2015 through

May 9, 2016 when emission testing contractor was onsite to collect data to build a PEMS model for CO. The exact

dates of the excess emission events and emission rates have not been documented.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145(2)(A)

Description: Failure to report excessive CO emission from Boiler #2 (EPN STKBLR2) in the semiannual deviation report for the

period of September 2, 2015 through March 1, 2016.

Notice of Intent Date: 02/28/2020 (1638302)

Disclosure Date: 09/04/2020 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.487(c)(4)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.487a(c)(4) 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT OOOO 60.5422(c) 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT KKK 60.636(c)

Description: Failure to ensure semiannual reports submitted pursuant to NSPS KKK and OOOO include changes to components

counts.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-9a(a)

Description: Failure to repair seven components in the Tank Farm process unit on the DORL during the unit shutdown.

Disclosure Date: 02/23/2021
Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-10a(a)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-11a(a)
40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.482-7(a)(1)
40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VVa 60.482-7a(a)(1)
40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT 0000 60.5400(a)
40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT KKK 60 632(a)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT KKK 60.632(a)

Description: Failure to monitor and include 129 components in TXP2 and TXP3 units that were part of the lube oil systems in the

LDAR program.

#### G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):

N/A

#### H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates:

N/A

#### I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program:

N/A

#### J. Early compliance:

N/A

#### **Sites Outside of Texas:**

Compliance History Report for CN604532515, RN101271419, Rating Year 2020 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from June 17, 2016, through June 17, 2021.

#### **Component Appendices**

#### Appendix A

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#### All NOVs Issued During Component Period 6/17/2016 and 6/17/2021

03/10/2017 (1377896)Date: For Informational PClassification: Self Report? Moderate 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) NSR SC 10B PERMIT ST&C 8 OP Description: Failed to comply with NOx emission rates for Boiler 2 (EPN: BLRSTK2). Category B14 For Informational PClassification: Self Report? NO Moderate 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) NSR SC 3D PERMIT ST&C 8 OP Failed to comply with NOx emission rates for Boiler 3N (EPN: BLRSTK3N). Category B14 Description: Hor Informational Classification:
30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)
30 TAC Chapter 122 SubChapter B 116.115(c) Self Report? Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) NSR SC 11E PERMIT ST&C 8 OP Failed to submit Relative Accuracy Test Audit (RATA) notifications for Boilers 3N and 4 Description: (EPNs: BLRSTK3N, BLR201). Category C3 2 03/21/2018 (1437696)Date: For Informational PClassification: Self Report? NO Moderate Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) SC 12B PERMIT ST&C 8 OP Description: Failure to comply with permitted temperature limit. (Category C4, moderate) 3 08/26/2019 (1533080)Date: For Informational Classification:
30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) Self Report? Moderate Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition (ST&C) 9 OP Description: Failure to maintain NOx emissions below permit limit during testing of engine #360 (EPN: COMP-360). (Category B13) Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate For Informational P 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition (ST&C) 9 OP Description: Failure to operate engine #350 (ID: GRP-ENG3; COMP-350) within the permitted NOx limit. (Category B13) Date: 02/18/2020 (1612894)Classification: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) Self Report? Moderate Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter F 116.615(2) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 8 OP Description: Failure to operate RTO-2 as represented in the application for Standard Permit #13101. (Category C4) Self Report? Classification: NO Moderate Classifi 30 TAC Chapter 106, SubChapter W 106.512(2)(A)(i) Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 8 OP

Compliance History Report for CN604532515, RN101271419, Rating Year 2020 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from June 17, 2016, through June 17, 2021.

Description: Failure to maintain NOx emissions below permitted limit during testing of engine #8

(COMP-8). (Category B13)

Self Report?

30 TAC Chapter 111, SubChapter A 111.111(a)(4)(A) Citation:

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT A 60.18(c)(1) 40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT A 63.11(b)(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP, Special Term & Condition 1A OP FOP, Special Term & Condition 8 OP NSR, Special Condition 8C PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent visible emissions from the flare to exceed a total of five minutes

during two consecutive hours. (Category C4)

#### Appendix B

#### All Investigations Conducted During Component Period June 17, 2016 and June 17, 2021

Item 1*	September 15, 2016**	For (1345057) mational Purposes Only
Item 2*	September 20, 2016**	For <sup>(1</sup> ] <sup>55</sup> <sup>29</sup> <sup>7</sup> mational Purposes Only
Item 3	March 10, 2017**	For <sup>(1377896)</sup> mational Purposes Only
Item 4*	March 21, 2017**	For <sup>(1]83145)</sup> mational Purposes Only
Item 5	May 31, 2017**	For (1115177) mational Purposes Only
Item 6*	July 24, 2017**	For (1110517) mational Purposes Only
Item 7*	September 22, 2017**	For (1124094) mational Purposes Only
Item 8	March 21, 2018**	For <sup>(1437696)</sup> mational Purposes Only
Item 9*	August 10, 2018**	For <sup>(15)</sup> Mational Purposes Only
Item 10*	September 10, 2018**	For (15,10910) mational Purposes Only
Item 11	June 21, 2019**	For (1466988) mational Purposes Only
Item 12	August 22, 2019**	For <sup>(15,33080)</sup> mational Purposes Only
Item 13	August 23, 2019**	For (1482218) mational Purposes Only
Item 14*	September 30, 2019**	For (1592561) mational Purposes Only
Item 15*	October 04, 2019**	For <sup>(1579288)</sup> mational Purposes Only
Item 16	February 14, 2020**	For (1512894) mational Purposes Only
Item 17*	July 15, 2020**	For (1659234) mational Purposes Only
Item 18	February 26, 2021	For <sup>(1692322)</sup> mational Purposes Only
Item 19	June 07, 2021	For (1683774) mational Purposes Only

<sup>\*</sup> No violations documented during this investigation

<sup>\*</sup> NOVs applicable for the Compliance History rating period 9/1/2015 to 8/31/2020

<sup>\*\*</sup>Investigation applicable for the Compliance History Rating period between 09/01/2015 and 08/31/2020.

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	§	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
COPANO PROCESSING LLC	§	
RN101271419	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

### AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2021-0865-AIR-E

On	, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the
Commission" or "TC	EQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement
action regarding Cop	pano Processing LLC (the "Respondent") under the authority of TEX.
HEALTH & SAFETY CO	DDE ch. 382 and TEX. WATER CODE ch. 7. The Executive Director of the
TCEQ, through the H	Enforcement Division, and the Respondent presented this Order to the
Commission.	• •

The Respondent understands that it has certain procedural rights at certain points in the enforcement process, including the right to formal notice of violations, notice of an evidentiary hearing, the right to an evidentiary hearing, and a right to appeal. By entering into this Order, the Respondent agrees to waive all notice and procedural rights.

It is further understood and agreed that 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. The duties and responsibilities imposed by this Order are binding upon the Respondent.

The Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

#### I. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates an oil and gas processing plant located at 1651 County Road 255 South near Sheridan, Colorado County, Texas (the "Plant"). The Plant consists or consisted of one or more sources as defined in Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.003(12).
- 2. During a record review conducted from April 27, 2021 through May 4, 2021, an investigator documented that the Respondent released 25,507.45 pounds of volatile organic compounds as fugitive emissions, during an emissions event (Incident No. 287770) that occurred on July 7, 2018 and lasted 25 minutes. The emissions event occurred due to two brief power outages that led to the execution of the Liberty Down Procedures and caused the pressure safety valves to open to release pressure, resulting in the releases to the atmosphere. TCEQ staff determined that the emissions event was not caused by a sudden unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process beyond the control of the owner or operator and could have been avoided by better design and/or better operational and maintenance practices.

- 3. The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent has implemented the following corrective measures at the Plant in order to prevent the recurrence of emissions events due to the same or similar causes as Incident No. 287780:
  - a. By June 12, 2019, updated the Loss of Power/Shutdown Operating Procedures;
  - b. By July 1, 2019, conducted staff training;
  - c. By July 29, 2019, began utilizing a higher voltage and more reliable power supply; and
  - d. By August 17, 2021, improved the uninterrupted power supply for the Tank Farm, implemented process design improvements for the product tanks, installed and/or modified the alarms and interlocks for the product tanks and product pumps, updated the Standard Operating Procedure for the Pipeline Pump P-21A/B lineup, improved the mechanical integrity for affected pressure safety valves and thermal relief protection, updated Tank Farm drawings, and implemented measures to ensure the new Tank Farm console emergency shutdown switches are guarded against inadvertent operation and are clearly labeled.

#### II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 1, the Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEQ pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code ch. 382 and the rules of the TCEQ.
- 2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2, the Respondent failed to prevent unauthorized emissions, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 101.20(3), 116.115(c), and 122.143(4), New Source Review Permit Nos. 56613, PSDTX706, and PSDTX709M1, Special Conditions No. 1, Federal Operating Permit No. O807, General Terms and Conditions and Special Terms and Conditions No. 8, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b). Since the emissions event was not caused by a sudden unavoidable breakdown of equipment or process beyond the control of the owner or operator and could have been avoided by better design and/or better operational and maintenance practices, the Respondent is precluded from asserting an affirmative defense under 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 101.222.
- 3. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 7.051, the TCEQ has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against the Respondent for violations of state statutes within the TCEQ's jurisdiction, for violations of rules adopted under such statutes, or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
- 4. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$25,000 is justified by the facts recited in this Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in Tex. WATER CODE § 7.053. The Respondent paid the \$25,000 penalty.

#### III. ORDERING PROVISIONS

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

1. The Respondent is assessed a penalty as set forth in Conclusion of Law No. 4 for violations of state statutes and rules of the TCEQ. The payment of this penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the requirements set forth in this Order resolve only the matters set forth by this Order in this action. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective actions or penalties for violations that are not raised here. Penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Copano Processing LLC, Docket No. 2021-0865-AIR-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. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
- 3. The duties and provisions imposed by this Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of this Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Plant operations referenced in this Order.
- 4. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.
- 5. 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 Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms in this Order.
- 6. 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.
- 7. This Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent 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.

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- This Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall 8. 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 issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms: electronic transmission, owner, person, writing, and written, shall have the meanings assigned to them under Tex. Bus. Org. Code § 1.002.
- 9. The effective date of this Order is the date it is signed by the Commission. A copy of this fully executed Order shall be provided to each of the parties.

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# **SIGNATURE PAGE**

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission	Date	
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For the Executive Director	Date	
the attached Order, and I do agree to the ter	nd the attached Order. I am authorized to agree to rms and conditions specified therein. I further ayment for the penalty amount, is materially relying	
I also understand that failure to comply with and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amo	h the Ordering Provisions, if any, in this Order ount, may result in:	
<ul> <li>A negative impact on compliance history;</li> <li>Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted;</li> <li>Referral of this case to the Attorney General's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;</li> <li>Increased penalties in any future enforcement actions;</li> <li>Automatic referral to the Attorney General's Office of any future enforcement action</li> <li>TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.</li> </ul>		
In addition, any falsy fication of any complia	nce documents may result in criminal prosecution.	
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Signature	Date	
Kevin M. Robinson	Director, Operations	
Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of Copano Processing LLC		
☐ If mailing address has changed, please	check this box and provide the new address below:	