Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 61499 Flint Hills Resources Houston Chemical, LLC RN102576063 Docket No. 2021-1409-AIR-E

Order Type:

1660 Agreed Order

Findings Order Justification:

N/A

Media:

AIR

Small Business:

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Flint Hills Resources Houston Chemical, 9822 La Porte Freeway, Houston, Harris

County

Type of Operation:

Chemical manufacturing plant

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: April 29, 2022

Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$8,550

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$1,710

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$6,840 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: N/A

Applicable Penalty Policy: January 2021

Investigation Information

Complaint Information: N/A

Complaint Information: N/A

Date(s) of Investigation: August 6, 2021 through August 19, 2021

Date(s) of NOE(s): October 22, 2021

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Violation Information

Failed to prevent unauthorized emissions. Specifically, the Respondent released 716.05 pounds of nitrogen oxides from the Waste Heat Boiler, Emissions Point Number 4026-U, during an emissions event (Incident No. 363599) that occurred on July 26, 2021 and lasted one hour and 10 minutes. The emissions event occurred due to a malfunction of a Printed Wiring Board assembly on the positioner mounted on Valve XV2033 that caused the valve position feedback indication to fail and the equipment protection program to activate as designed, resulting in the release to the atmosphere. Since the emissions event 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. 18999, PDTX755M1, and N216, Special Conditions No. 1, Federal Operating Permit No. O1251, General Terms and Conditions and Special Terms and Conditions No. 12, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b)].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

By October 15, 2021, the Respondent replaced the digital control valve positioner on Valve XV2033 and updated the control logic in order to prevent the recurrence of emissions events due to the same or similar causes as Incident No. 363599.

Technical Requirements:

N/A

Contact Information

TCEO Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Kate Dacy, Enforcement Division,

Enforcement Team 4, MC 219, (512) 239-4593; Michael Parrish, Enforcement

Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

Respondent: Larry E. House, Site Manager, Flint Hills Resources Houston

Chemical, LLC, 9822 La Porte Freeway, Houston, Texas 77017

Respondent's Attorney: N/A



Notes

PAYABLE PENALTY

Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

THE PONMENTAL OF	Policy R	evision 5 (January 28	3, 2021)			•	PCW Rev	vision February 11, 2021
DATES	Assigned	25-Oct-2021						
	PCW	30-Dec-2021	Screening 26-	Oct-2021	EPA Due			
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CASE I	NFORMATION							
	f./Case ID No.	61499			No.	of Violations	1	
		2021-1409-AIR-	·E			Order Type	1660	
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	Multi-Media				Enf.	Coordinator		
						EC's Team	Enforcement T	eam 4
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Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

\$6,840

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

Respondent Flint Hills Resources Houston Chemical, LLC

Case ID No. 61499

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102576063

Media Air

Enf. Coordinator Kate Dacy

Compliance History Worksheet				
	ory <i>Site</i> Enhancement (Subtotal 2) Number of	Number	Adjust.	
NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action (number of NOVs meeting criteria)	1	5%	
	Other written NOVs	1	2%	
	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	1	25%	
Judgments	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%	
and Consent 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	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)	5	-5%	
Audits	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which violations were disclosed)	4	-8%	
	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%	
Other	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)

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

No

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3)

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

Satisfactory Performer

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7)

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

Enhancement for one NOV with same or similar violations, one NOV with dissimilar violations, one order containing a denial of liability, and one order without a denial of liability. Reduction for five notices of intent to conduct an audit and four disclosures of violations.

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

>> Final Compliance History Adjustment

Final Adjustment Percentage *capped at 100%

39%

39%

	E	conomic	Benefit	Wor	ksheet		
Respondent	Flint Hills Resources Houston Chemical, LLC 61499						
Case ID No.							
Reg. Ent. Reference No.							
Media						Percent Interest	Years of
Violation No.	1						Depreciation
						5.0	15
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Item Description							
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Equipment Buildings				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$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 Permit Costs				0.00	\$0 #0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$20,000	26-Jul-2021	15-Oct-2021	0.00	\$0 \$222	n/a n/a	\$0 \$222
Notes for DELAYED costs	in order to p 363599. TI	revent the recurrence Date Required	ence of emission is the date the	ns event emissior complia	s due to the same as event occurred ance.	2033 and update th or similar causes as and the Final Date is	S Incident No.
Avoided Costs	ANNU	ALIZE avoided c	osts before er		<u> </u>	one-time avoided	
Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0
Financial Assurance				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Notes for AVOIDED costs							
Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$20,000			TOTAL		\$222

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Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN604650093, RN102576063, Rating Year 2021 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2021.

Customer, Respondent, CN604650093, Flint Hills Resources

Houston Chemical, LLC

RN102576063, FLINT HILLS RESOURCES Classification: SATISFACTORY Regulated Entity:

Classification: SATISFACTORY

Rating: 6.28

Rating: 6.28

HOUSTON CHEMICAL

Complexity Points: 35 Repeat Violator: NO

CH Group: 05 - Chemical Manufacturing

Location: 9822 LA PORTE FREEWAY IN HARRIS COUNTY, HOUSTON, TEXAS

TCEO Region: **REGION 12 - HOUSTON**

ID Number(s):

or Owner/Operator:

AIR OPERATING PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER HG0035U **AIR OPERATING PERMITS PERMIT 1251**

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS PERMIT 18999 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER HG0035U

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 141694 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 143727 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS AFS NUM 4820100117 **AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS** EPA PERMIT PSDTX755 **AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 111299** AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS EPA PERMIT GHGPSDTX137

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 141395 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS EPA PERMIT PSDTX755M1 **AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 139393 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS** EPA PERMIT N216

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 140888 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 139284 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 144425 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 111301 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 162749 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 164936

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STORMWATER PERMIT TXR05DA04 WASTEWATER PERMIT WQ0000393000

WASTEWATER EPA ID TX0006068 AIR EMISSIONS INVENTORY ACCOUNT NUMBER

HG0035U

POLLUTION PREVENTION PLANNING ID NUMBER INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE EPA ID P00438

TXD096035274

INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE SOLID WASTE TAX RELIEF ID NUMBER 23777 REGISTRATION # (SWR) 30463

TAX RELIEF ID NUMBER 23778 TAX RELIEF ID NUMBER 23228

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2016 to August 31, 2021 Rating Year: 2021 **Rating Date:** 09/01/2021

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: December 30, 2021 Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:

Component Period Selected: December 30, 2016 to December 30, 2021

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

Name: Kate Dacy **Phone:** (512) 239-4593

Site and Owner/Operator History:

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

NO

YES

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: Effective Date: 10/27/2020 ADMINORDER 2019-1331-AIR-E (Findings Order-Agreed Order Without Denial) 1 Classification: 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) Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 16 PA Special Term and Condition 11 OP Description: Failure to maintain concentration limits for the Charge Gas Heater (EPN: 4000-B) (Category A8 - HPV Criterion 2). Classification: Moderate Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.20(3) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(b)(2)(F) 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) Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PA Special Term and Condition 11 OP Description: Failure to prevent exceedance of MAER for the Charge Gas Heater (EPN: 4000-B) (Category A8 - HPV Criterion 2). Classification: Minor Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.20(1) 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) 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT A 60.18(c)(1) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Rqmt Prov: Special Condition 26C PA Special Terms and Conditions 1A and 11 OP Description: Failure to prevent visible emissions from the flare (EPN: 1-105A) (Category C4). Classification: Moderate 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.725(h)(1) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Description: Failure to operate temporary flare in HRVOC service below 336 hours (Category A12(i)(6)). Classification: Minor Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.20(1) 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) Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 26 PA Special Term & Condition 11 OP Description: Failure to maintain the net heating value of the combustion zone (NHVcz) for the flare (EPN: 1-105A) (Category C4). Classification: Minor Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter F 101.201(b)(2)(B) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Rqmt Prov: Special Term and Condition 2F OP Description: Failure to include all information required by 30 TAC 101.201(b)(2) on the final record for a non-reportable emission event (Category C3). Classification: Minor Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122,145(2)(A) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Rgmt Prov: General Terms and Conditions OP Description: Failure to report all deviations (Category B3).

Classification: Minor

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

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

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Rqmt Prov: General Terms and Conditions OP

Description: Failure to report all deviations (Category B3).

See addendum for information regarding federal actions.

B. Criminal convictions:

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

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

Item 1	January 19, 2017	(1397144)
Item 2	February 16, 2017	(1404028)
Item 3	March 17, 2017	(1411129)
Item 4	April 14, 2017	(1389101)
Item 5	April 19, 2017	(1417632)
Item 6	May 18, 2017	(1425221)
Item 7	May 23, 2017	(1408084)
Item 8	June 19, 2017	(1431224)
Item 9	July 19, 2017	(1439833)
Item 10	August 15, 2017	(1443521)
Item 11	August 24, 2017	(1430463)
Item 12	October 19, 2017	(1455968)
Item 13	November 16, 2017	(1461449)
Item 14	December 18, 2017	(1467828)
Item 15	March 19, 2018	(1490436)
Item 16	April 16, 2018	(1493673)
Item 17	May 18, 2018	(1500591)
Item 18	June 18, 2018	(1507708)
Item 19	June 25, 2018	(1496726)
Item 20	August 20, 2018	(1520087)
Item 21	September 20, 2018	(1527252)
Item 22	December 10, 2018	(1524174)
Item 23	January 16, 2019	(1559662)
Item 24	February 14, 2019	(1523325)
Item 25	February 19, 2019	(1559660)
Item 26	February 25, 2019	(1524180)
Item 27	March 19, 2019	(1559661)
Item 28	April 15, 2019	(1550375)
Item 29	April 18, 2019	(1571826)
Item 30	May 06, 2019	(1472098)
Item 31	May 17, 2019	(1583261)
Item 32	June 17, 2019	(1583262)
Item 33	July 18, 2019	(1593139)
Item 34	August 20, 2019	(1599485)
Item 35	September 20, 2019	(1606390)
Item 36	September 30, 2019	(1576223)
Item 37	October 17, 2019	(1613236)
Item 38	November 19, 2019	(1619050)
Item 39	December 16, 2019	(1626402)
Item 40	January 18, 2020	(1634043)
Item 41	February 17, 2020	(1640662)
Item 42	March 19, 2020	(1647182)
Item 43	April 20, 2020	(1653518)
Item 44	April 28, 2020	(1638843)
Item 45	May 19, 2020	(1660105)
Item 46	June 18, 2020	(1666609)
Item 47	July 16, 2020	(1673566)

Item 48	August 19, 2020	(1680341)
Item 49	August 27, 2020	(1632948)
Item 50	September 17, 2020	(1686910)
Item 51	October 19, 2020	(1693257)
Item 52	November 04, 2020	(1685547)
Item 53	November 18, 2020	(1712461)
Item 54	December 17, 2020	(1712462)
Item 55	February 12, 2021	(1725516)
Item 56	March 18, 2021	(1725517)
Item 57	April 06, 2021	(1684676)
Item 58	April 20, 2021	(1725518)
Item 59	May 19, 2021	(1740064)
Item 60	May 28, 2021	(1703517)
Item 61	June 16, 2021	(1703860)
Item 62	July 19, 2021	(1751706)
Item 63	August 04, 2021	(1739886)
Item 64	August 20, 2021	(1757170)
Item 65	September 16, 2021	(1766250)
Item 66	October 15, 2021	(1776713)

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.

1 Date: 12/31/2020 (1712463)

Self Report? YES Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a) 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description: Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

2 Date: 02/26/2021 (1672572)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354(11) 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, ST&C 12 OP FOP, ST&C 1A OP NSR, SC 7E PERMIT

Description: Failure to monitor new or reworked components within the allowable timeframe.

(Category C1 violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352(4) 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.783(5) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116, 115(c)

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

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT H 63.167(a)(1)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

FOP, ST&C 12 OP FOP, ST&C 1A OP NSR, SC 7E PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent open-ended lines (OELs). (Category C10 violation)
Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

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

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT WW 63.1066(b)(1)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

FOP, ST&C 10 OP FOP, ST&C 12 OP FOP, ST&C 1A OP

Description: Failure to submit notification of a 10-year inspection for tank M-1002. (Category

B3 violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: 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)

FOP, ST&C 12 OP NSR, SC 1 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain carbon monoxide (CO) emissions from the Auxiliary Boiler

(EPN: 1-104BD) within the maximum allowable emission rate. (Category B13

Moderate

Minor

violation)

Self Report? NO Classification:

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, ST&C 12 OP NSR, SC 1 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions from the Waste Heat Boiler

(EPN: 4026-U) within the maximum allowable emission rate. (Category B13

violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: 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)

FOP, ST&C 12 OP NSR, SC 1 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions from the Charge Gas Heater

(EPN: 4000-B) within the maximum allowable emission rate. (Category B13

violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: 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)

FOPS, ST&C 12 OP NSR, SC 1 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain butene emissions from the Main Flare (EPN: 1-105A) within

the maximum allowable emission rate. (Category B13 violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(a) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

FOP, ST&C 12 OP NSR, SC 15 PERMIT NSR, SC 16 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain the concentration of nitrogen oxides (NOx), carbon monoxide

(CO), and ammonia (NH3) within the permitted limits for the Charge Gas Heater

(EPN 4000-B). (Category B13 violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

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

30 TAC Chapter 117, SubChapter B 117.310(c)(2)(B) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

FOP, ST&C 12 OP FOP, ST&C 1A OP NSR, SC 11 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain the concentration of nitrogen oxides (NOx) and ammonia

(NH3) within the permitted limits for the Waste Heat Boiler (EPN 4026-U).

(Category B13 violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: 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)

FOP, ST&C 12 OP NSR, SC 16 PERMIT NSR, SC 17 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain the Charge Gas Heater's (EPN: 4000-B) firebox temperature

within authorized limits. (Category B18.g(1) violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 111, SubChapter A 111.111(a)(4)(A)(ii)

30 TAC Chapter 111, Subchapter A 111.111(a)(4)(A)(II)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

FOP, ST&C 1A OP

Description: Failure to record the daily visible emissions observations of the Main Flare (EPN:

1-105A). (Category C1 violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

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

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

FOP, ST&C 12 OP FOP, ST&C 1A OP NSR, SC 12 PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent opacity from the Auxiliary Boiler, EPN: 1-104BD. (Category C4

violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

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, ST&C 12 OP NSR, SC 49A(1) PERMIT

Description: Failure to operate the carbon absorption system (CAS) as a dual canister system.

(Category C1 violation)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

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

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

FOP, ST&C 12 OP NSR, SC 49A(4) PERMIT

Description: Failure to change the primary carbon canister in the carbon absorption system

(CAS) within 4 hours of documented breakthrough. (Category C1 violation)

F. Environmental audits:

Notice of Intent Date: 10/10/2016 (1369234)

Disclosure Date: 02/23/2017 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 262, SubChapter I, PT 262, SubPT A 262.11

Description: Failed to characterize absorbents and wipes contaminated with an aerosol spray solvent containing

tetrachloroethylene as a hazardous waste. Use of tetrachloroethylene as a solvent would result in a listed

hazardous waste.

Viol. Classification: Minor

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 262, SubChapter I, PT 262, SubPT C 262.34(a)(1)

Description: Failed to include the dates (on April 11, 2016 and April 18, 2016) and name of inspector (on March 13,

2015, March 21, 2016, September 23, 2016, and October 10, 2016) on weekly waste inspection forms.

Viol. Classification: Minor

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 268, SubChapter I, PT 268, SubPT A 268.7(a)(7)

Description: Failed to maintain the one-time Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) notice for waste treated onsite in the

wastewater treatment system in the waste records (the one-time LDR notice may have been part of

historical files pre-dating the FHR acquisition).

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 262, SubChapter I, PT 262, SubPT C 262.34(c)(2)

Description: Failed to place bulk containers of potential hazardous waste in a designated waste management unit within

three days of exceeding 55 gallons for some projects. These temporary project container locations were not set up as 90-day accumulation areas, were not subject to weekly inspections, and were not listed in the

site waste handling procedure or Notice of Registration.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 262, SubChapter I, PT 262, SubPT A 262.11

30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter R 335.508

Description: Failed to appropriately characterize and document the characterization of Outfall 001 sludge Storm Tanks

Final. Specifically, folder containing profile information for Class 2 Sludge (00115192) contained analytical results for Outfall 001 sludge showing a Reactive Sulfide concentration of 119 mg/kg (12/16/15) and analytical for "Storm Tanks Final" showing TPH concentrations of 3,230 and 3,290 mg/kg Total Petroleum

Hydrocarbon (8/08/14).

Disclosure Date: 05/17/2017

Viol. Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1) Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Stormwater Permit Part III.D.1.c.

Description: Failed to maintain weekly and daily rainfall records from the Harris County Flood District readily available

for review. Specifically, rainfall data from a nearby weather station was utilized to determine when a qualifying storm event had occurred and samples were collected. The facility maintained a weather station

and recorded weather conditions were uploaded into the PI System.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1) Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Stormwater Permit Part III.A.1.a.2.

PERMIT Stormwater Permit Part III.A.4.

Description: Failed to implement Best Management Practices to prevent soil erosion and sedimentation. Specifically, the

fabric filter fence was observed to be damaged or missing at the southeast portion of the Barnum Substation construction area. Similarly, the filter fabric fence was observed to be damaged at the

northwest corner of the Area 2 and along the northern perimeter of Area 3.

Notice of Intent Date: 08/23/2017 (1437154)

No DOV Associated

Notice of Intent Date: 03/13/2018 (1478794)

Disclosure Date: 02/12/2019 Viol. Classification: Moderate

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter B 115.142 Citation:

Description: Failed to install required controls for an "Affected volatile organic compound wastewater stream," as

defined by 30 TAC § 115.140.

Notice of Intent Date: 08/24/2018 (1513331)

Disclosure Date: 07/11/2019

Viol. Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Part III.A.5.a.3

Description: Failed to document Signatory Authority and submit to TCEQ for the Site Manager and failed to document

delegation in the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan ("SWP3").

Viol. Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Part III.B.2.a

Description: Failed to inspect all outfalls each quarter instead of inspecting only substantially similar outfalls each

Viol. Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Rgmt Prov: PERMIT Part III.B.2

Description: Failed to ensure that inspection records document that at least one member of the Stormwater Pollution

Prevention Team is present during the inspection.

Viol. Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Rgmt Prov: PERMIT Part III.B.3.d

Description: Failed to document review of inspections by the stormwater pollution prevention team.

Viol. Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Rgmt Prov: PERMIT Part III.B.5.b

Description: Failed to certify the 2018 Annual Comprehensive Site Compliance Inspection report within 30 days of

inspection. Viol. Classification: Minor

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1) Citation:

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Part III.D.2.b.4

Description: Failed to include an estimate of the runoff coefficient of the drainage areas in the SWP3.

08/04/2020 (1670060) Notice of Intent Date:

Disclosure Date: 09/23/2020 Viol. Classification: Moderate

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.725(a) Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.725(a)(4)

Description: Failed to have an adequate and updated Highly Reactive Volatile Organic Compounds (HRVOC) vent gas

monitoring plan for the Waste Heat Boiler (EPN 4026-U, FIN 4026-U) and Charge Gas Heater (EPN 4000-B).

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter H 101.359(a)

Description: Failed to utilize an accurate method for the fired duty calculation for Regeneration Air Heater EP 4026-U,

FIN 4001-B) which impacted the total NOx emissions for the Waste Heat Boiler (EPN 4026-U) that were reported under the Mass Emission Cap and Trade (MECT) annual compliance reports for several years.

Disclosure Date: 10/21/2020

Viol. Classification: Minor

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

Description: Failed to accurately record visible emission observations for the Main Flare (EPN 1-105A). Specifically, 12

days of EPN 1-105A visible emission observation records were found that showed the date of observation, but the time of observation was missing or the observations were done before sunrise or after sunset. The auditors found that the systems put in place were not effective enough in meeting the flare observation

requirements.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

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

Rgmt Prov: PERMIT Special Conditions No. 48

Description: Failed to consider when the shutdown began or when the startup ended in the standard procedure

established to exempt the maximum number of hours allowed for every startup and shutdown. NSR Permit No. 18999 has durations (hours) for startup and shutdown periods (EPN 4026-U, ENP 4000-B) during which

the site is exempt from NOx, CO, and NH3 reporting.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

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

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Special Conditions No. 11

PERMIT Special Conditions No. 16

Description: Failed to calculate accurate 12-month rolling averages of ppm concentration for EPN Nos. 4026-U and

4000-B. Specifically, the calculation method for 12-month rolling averages of ppm concentration included zero values for calendar months with do data due to process shutdowns, but these should be excluded because the absence of data is not equivalent to a concentration of zero and should not reduce the average

calculation.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

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

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Special Conditions No. 25

Description: Failed to use valid data for emission calculations. Specifically, CEMS monitoring data for EPNs 4026-U and

4000-B at the full span of the NOx and CO analyzer was not identified and was used as if it were valid data

for emission calculations.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

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

Rgmt Prov: PERMIT STC No. 3

Description: Failed to make available records of opacity observations by certified readers as required by FOP 01251 for

Waste Heat Boiler stack (EPN No. 4026-U) which requires monthly opacity observations by a certified

reader using 40 CFR Subpart 60, Appendix A, Reference Method 9.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

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

Rgmt Prov: OP STC No. 3.A(iv)(1)

Description: Failed to provide documentation that the five gas turbine (EPN No. 4026-U, FIN Nos. 4061-JT through

4065-JT) bypass vents, that are operated only for brief periods during startup and shutdown, had been included in the visible emissions monitoring program or that they were exempt from visible emissions

monitoring.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.148(a)

Description: Failed to submit to remove the permit shield for 30 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 115 Industrial Wastewater Unit

ID No. WWU and 40 CFR Part 63 Subpart VVVVV for Unit ID No. CTOWER.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

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

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Special Conditions No. 39

Description: Failed to have documentation of LEL readings when the isolated equipment was opened to the atmosphere

after being purged to a control device for MSS line break activities to make sure it is less than 10% LEL

before opening the equipment to the atmosphere.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.764(a)(3)

Description: Failed to meet requirements for obtaining valid data for 95% of operating hours. Specifically, the HRVOC

analyzer monitoring system for the cooling tower organic emissions had many hours of detected organic concentrations that were determined by the site to be invalid, but were treated as valid hours of monitoring

data for purposes of monitoring downtime.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

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

Description: Failed to report all instances of deviations in the previous semi-annual Title V deviation reports. Specifically,

FHR missed reporting the deviations associated with the audit findings in Inv. No. 1670060 in prior reports

because FHR was unaware of them.

Notice of Intent Date: 09/16/2021 (1764423)

No DOV Associated

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:

N/A

Addendum to Compliance History Federal Enforcement Actions

Reg Entity Name: FLINT HILLS RESOURCES HOUSTON CHE

Reg Entity Add: 9822 LA PORTE FWY

Reg Entity City: HOUSTON Reg Entity No: RN102576063

Case Result:Final Order With PenaltyStatute:CAASect of Statute:111Classification:MinorProgram:National Emission StandCitation:

Violation Type: Cite Sect: Cite Part:

Enforcement Action: Administrative Penalty Order With or Without Inj

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	§	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	
FLINT HILLS RESOURCES	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
HOUSTON CHEMICAL, LLC	§	
RN102576063	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2021-1409-AIR-E

I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On	, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the
Commission" or "TCE	Q") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement
action regarding Flint	Hills Resources Houston Chemical, LLC (the "Respondent") under the
authority of TEX. HEAI	TH & SAFETY CODE ch. 382 and TEX. WATER CODE ch. 7. The Executive
Director of the TCEQ,	through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent together stipulate
that:	

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates a chemical manufacturing plant located at 9822 La Porte Freeway in Houston, Harris 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. The Executive Director and the Respondent 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 Respondent is 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. 382 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 Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
- 4. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$8,550 is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent paid \$6,840 of the penalty and \$1,710 is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's 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 Respondent fails 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.

- 5. The Executive Director and the Respondent 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 Respondent has 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.
- 9. The Executive Director recognizes that by October 15, 2021, the Respondent replaced the digital control valve positioner on Valve XV2033 and updated the control logic in order to prevent the recurrence of emissions events due to the same or similar causes as Incident No. 363599.

II. ALLEGATIONS

During a record review conducted from August 6, 2021 through August 19, 2021, an investigator documented that 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. 18999, PDTX755M1, and N216, Special Conditions No. 1, Federal Operating Permit No. 01251, General Terms and Conditions and Special Terms and Conditions No. 12, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b). Specifically, the Respondent released 716.05 pounds of nitrogen oxides from the Waste Heat Boiler, Emissions Point Number 4026-U, during an emissions event (Incident No. 363599) that occurred on July 26, 2021 and lasted one hour and 10 minutes. The emissions event occurred due to a malfunction of a Printed Wiring Board assembly on the positioner mounted on Valve XV2033 that caused the valve position feedback indication to fail and the equipment protection program to activate as designed, resulting in the release to the atmosphere. Since the emissions event 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.

III. DENIALS

The Respondent generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

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

1. The Respondent is assessed a penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph No. 4. The payment of this penalty and the Respondent's 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: Flint Hills Resources Houston Chemical, LLC, Docket No. 2021-1409-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. 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.
- 6. 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 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

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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.

7. 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
I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Order, and I do agree to the terms a acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payme on such representation.	and conditions specified therein. I further
I also understand that failure to comply with the and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount,	Ordering Provisions, if any, in this Order may result in:
 A negative impact on compliance history; Greater scrutiny of any permit applications Referral of this case to the Attorney General additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or increased penalties in any future enforcement Automatic referral to the Attorney General' TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by 	al's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, or to a collection agency; ent actions; 's Office of any future enforcement actions; and
In addition, any falsification of any compliance d	ocuments may result in criminal prosecution.
Signature E. Wover	2-1-2022 Date
Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of Flint Hills Resources Houston Chemical, LLC	Plant Manager Title
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