# Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 61503 City of Log Cabin RN102800190 Docket No. 2021-1417-MWD-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:** MWD

**Small Business:** 

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

City of Log Cabin WWTF, located approximately 0.5 mile south of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 3054 and County Road 1411. Henderson County

Type of Operation:

Wastewater treatment facility

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: The complainant has expressed an interest in this

matter but does not wish to speak at Agenda. **Texas Register Publication Date:** July 22, 2022

Comments Received: No

**Penalty Information** 

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$10,375

**Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$10,375

Total Due to General Revenue: \$0

Payment Plan: N/A

**Compliance History Classifications:** 

Person/CN - High Site/RN - High

Major Source: No

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A

**Applicable Penalty Policy:** January 2021

**Investigation Information** 

Complaint Date(s): September 27, 2021

**Complaint Information**: Alleged unauthorized discharge from the collection system.

**Date(s) of Investigation:** September 30, 2021 through October 6, 2021

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

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## Violation Information

- 1. Failed to prevent the unauthorized discharge of sewage into or adjacent to any water in the state [Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1), 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.125(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. WQ0014158001, Permit Conditions No. 2.g].
- 2. Failed to report an unauthorized discharge to the TCEQ Regional Office within 24 hours of becoming aware of the noncompliance [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 305.125(1) and TPDES Permit No. WQ0014158001, Monitoring Requirements Nos. 7.a and 7.b.i].

# Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

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

The Respondent implemented the following corrective actions:

- a. Notifying the TCEQ of the unauthorized discharge that occurred on September 28, 2021, by October 1, 2021; and
- b. Ceasing the discharge, pumping Lift Station 4, cleaning and disinfecting the affected area, and repairing the broken wastewater collection line by October 4, 2021.

### **Technical Requirements:**

N/A

### **Contact Information**

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Cheryl Thompson, Enforcement Division,

Enforcement Team 1, MC R-04, (817) 588-5865; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division,

MC 219, (512) 239-2548

**Respondent:** The Honorable Jennifer Williams, Mayor, City of Log Cabin, 14387 Alamo

Road, Log Cabin, Texas 75148 **Respondent's Attorney:** N/A

### Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW) Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021) PCW Revision February 11, 2021 Assigned 25-Oct-2021 **DATES** Screening 26-Oct-2021 PCW 28-Oct-2021 **EPA Due** RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION Respondent City of Log Cabin Reg. Ent. Ref. No. RN102800190 Facility/Site Region 5-Tyler Major/Minor Source Minor **CASE INFORMATION Enf./Case ID No.** 61503 No. of Violations 2 **Docket No.** 2021-1417-MWD-E Order Type Findings Government/Non-Profit Yes Enf. Coordinator Cheryl Thompson Media Program(s) Water Quality Multi-Media EC's Team Enforcement Team 1 Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum \$0 Maximum \$25,000

|  | Penalty  | <sup>r</sup> Calculat | tion Sectio             | n           |                   |             |  |  |
|--|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|--|--|
| TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)  Subtotal 1 |  |                       |                         |             |                   |             |  |  |
| ADJUSTMENTS / I  | / ) TO SUBTOTAL 1  |                       |                         |             |                   |             |  |  |
|  | /-) TO SUBTOTAL 1<br>btained by multiplying the Total Base Per | nalty (Subtotal 1)    | ) by the indicated pe   | rcentage.   |                   |             |  |  |
| Compliance Hi  |  | -10.0%                | Adjustment              |             | tals 2, 3, & 7    | -\$1,500    |  |  |
|  | D 1 11 6 11  | 1.5.6                 | Cl .c. r.               |             |                   |             |  |  |
| Notes  | Reduction for Hig  | in Performer          | Classification.         |             |                   |             |  |  |
| Culpability  | No   | 0.00/                 | - ·                     |             | Subtotal 4        | \$0         |  |  |
| Culpability  | INO  | 0.0%                  | Enhancement             |             | Subtotal 4        | <b>\$</b> U |  |  |
| Notes  | The Respondent does  | not meet the          | culpability criter      | ia.         |                   |             |  |  |
|  |  |                       |                         |             |                   |             |  |  |
| Good Faith Eff   | ort to Comply Total Adjustme                                   | ents                  |                         |             | Subtotal 5        | -\$3,125    |  |  |
|  | • •  |                       |                         |             |                   |             |  |  |
| Economic Ben   | efit   | 0.0%                  | Enhancement*            |             | Subtotal 6        | \$0         |  |  |
| Estimated  | Total EB Amounts \$10<br>d Cost of Compliance \$845            | *Capped               | d at the Total EB \$ Ai | mount       |                   | •           |  |  |
| LStillatet   | 1 Cost of Compliance \$645                                     |                       |                         |             |                   |             |  |  |
| <b>SUM OF SUBTOTA</b>  | LS 1-7   |                       |                         | F           | inal Subtotal     | \$10,375    |  |  |
|  |  | _                     |                         |             |                   |             |  |  |
|  | AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIR I Subtotal by the indicated percentage.  | KE [                  | 0.0%                    |             | Adjustment        | \$0         |  |  |
| reduces of children are this                                     | Subtotal by the maleacea percentage.                           |                       |                         |             | 7                 |             |  |  |
| Notes  |  |                       |                         |             |                   |             |  |  |
|  |  |                       |                         | Final Por   | l<br>nalty Amount | \$10,375    |  |  |
|  |  |                       |                         | i illai Pei | iaity Amount      | \$10,575    |  |  |
| STATUTORY LIMIT  | Γ ADJUSTMENT   |                       |                         | Final Asse  | ssed Penalty      | \$10,375    |  |  |
|  |  | г                     |                         |             |                   |             |  |  |
| DEFERRAL  Reduces the Final Assessed Re                          | enalty by the indicated percentage.                            |                       | 0.0%                    | Reduction   | Adjustment        | \$0         |  |  |
| Reduces the Final Assessed Fe                                    | riarcy by the mareated percentage.                             |                       |                         |             | ]                 |             |  |  |
| Notes  | No deferral is recon   | nmended for           | Findings Orders.        |             |                   |             |  |  |
|  |  |                       |                         |             | J                 |             |  |  |
| PAYABLE PENALT   | Υ  |                       |                         |             |                   | \$10,375    |  |  |

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)

PCW Revision February 11, 2021

Screening Date 26-Oct-2021 **Respondent** City of Log Cabin

**Case ID No.** 61503

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102800190

**Media** Water Quality

**Enf. Coordinator** Cheryl Thompson

|      |   | Compliance History Worksheet   |               |                                     |   |
|------|---|--|---------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| >>   | Compliance Hist<br>Component  | 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)   | 0             | 0%                                  |   |
|      |   | Other written NOVs   |               | 0%                                  |   |
|      |   | Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability ( <i>number of orders meeting criteria</i> )  | 0             | 0%                                  |   |
|      | 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 | 0             | 0%                                  |   |
|      | Judgments<br>and Consent  | CONSENT DECICES THEELING CHIEFIA   |               | 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             | 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%                                  |   |
|      | 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%                                  |   |
|      | 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)   | 0             | 0%                                  |   |
|      |   | Environmental management systems in place for one year or more   | No            | 0%                                  |   |
|      |   | 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 Per   | rcentage (Sub | ototal 2) 0%                        | ) |
| >>   | Repeat Violator   | (Subtotal 3)   |               |                                     |   |
|      | No  |  | centage (Sub  | ototal 3) 0%                        | ) |
| >>   | Compliance Hist   | ory Person Classification (Subtotal 7)   |               |                                     |   |
|      | High Perf   | Gormer Adjustment Per  | centage (Sub  | ototal 7) -10°                      | % |
| >>   | Compliance Hist   | ory Summary  |               |                                     |   |
|      | Compliance<br>History<br>Notes  | Reduction for High Performer Classification.   |               |                                     |   |
|      |   | Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (   | Subtotals 2,  | <b>3, &amp; 7)</b> -10 <sup>0</sup> | % |
| >> I | Final Compliance  | History Adjustment   |               |                                     |   |
|      |   | Final Adjustment Percent   | age *capped   | at <b>100%</b> -10°                 | % |

|          | Screening Date                  | 26-Oct-2021  |                               | Dock                        | <b>et No.</b> 2021-1417-MWD-E  |   | PCW                            |
|----------|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|---|--------------------------------|
|          | Respondent                      | City of Log Cabin  |                               |                             |  | Policy F  | Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)  |
|          | Case ID No.                     |  |                               |                             |  | PCV   | W Revision February 11, 2021   |
| Reg.     | Ent. Reference No.              | RN102800190  |                               |                             |  |   |                                |
|          |                                 | Water Quality  |                               |                             |  |   |                                |
|          | Enf. Coordinator                |  |                               |                             |  |   |                                |
|          | <b>Violation Number</b>         | 1  |                               |                             |  |   |                                |
|          | Rule Cite(s)                    | Text Water Code  | arge Elimina                  | , , , ,                     | dmin. Code § 305.125(1), a<br>FPDES") Permit No. WQ0014<br>ns No. 2.g.   |   |                                |
|          | Violation Description           | Failed to prevent the unauthorized discharge water in the state. Specifically, a broken waste County Road 1411 in Malakoff, Texas resulted unnamed ditch, which flowed into an adjacent severely impacted; there were significant amount of the pond which indicates eutrophic condition excess nutrients contributed to a higher oxygen |                               |                             | astewater collection line local<br>ted in the discharge of sewage<br>cent residential pond. The p<br>mounts of algae growing on to<br>tions caused by excess nutri   | ated along<br>ge into an<br>ond was<br>the surface<br>ents. The |                                |
|          |                                 |  |                               |                             | Bas  | e Penalty   | \$25,000                       |
| >> Fnv   | vironmental, Proper             | ty and Human   | Health I                      | Matriy                      |  |   |                                |
| LIIV     | ominemal, Proper                | ey and Human   | Harm                          | IGUIA                       |  |   |                                |
| 0.5      | Release                         |  | Moderate                      | Minor                       |  |   |                                |
| OR       | Actual                          |  |                               |                             | Bawas at To cor  | I   |                                |
|          | Potential                       |  |                               |                             | Percent 50.0%  |   |                                |
| >>Proc   | grammatic Matrix                |  |                               |                             |  |   |                                |
|          | Falsification                   | Major N  | Moderate                      | Minor                       |  |   |                                |
|          |                                 |  |                               |                             | Percent 0.0%   |   |                                |
|          |                                 |  |                               |                             |  |   |                                |
|          |                                 |  |                               |                             | ollutants which exceed levels cors as a result of the violation  |   |                                |
|          |                                 |  |                               |                             | Adjustment   | \$12,500  |                                |
|          |                                 |  |                               |                             | Adjustment   | \$12,500  | \$12,500                       |
| Violatio | on Events                       |  |                               |                             | Adjustment   | \$12,500<br>[   | \$12,500                       |
| Violatio | on Events                       |  |                               |                             | Adjustment   | \$12,500  | \$12,500                       |
| Violatio |                                 | /iolation Events   | 1                             |                             | Adjustment  6 Number of violation  | [   | \$12,500                       |
| Violatio |                                 |  | 1                             |                             |  | [   | \$12,500                       |
| Violatio |                                 | daily  | 1                             |                             |  | [   | \$12,500                       |
| Violatio |                                 | daily<br>weekly  | 1                             |                             |  | [   | \$12,500                       |
| Violatio |                                 | daily<br>weekly<br>monthly   | 1<br>X                        |                             | 6 Number of violation  | days  |                                |
| Violatio |                                 | daily<br>weekly  | 1 x                           |                             |  | days  |                                |
| Violatio |                                 | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual   | 1 X                           |                             | 6 Number of violation  | days  |                                |
| Violatio |                                 | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual  | 1 X                           |                             | 6 Number of violation  | days  |                                |
| Violatio | Number of \                     | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual single event  |                               | the September 1             | Number of violation  Violation Bas  28, 2021 unauthorized disch  | days<br>se Penalty  | \$12,500<br>\$12,500           |
|          | Number of \                     | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual single event  event is recomment to the   | ne October                    | •                           | Number of violation  Violation Bas  28, 2021 unauthorized disch  | days se Penalty   | \$12,500                       |
|          | Number of \                     | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual single event event is recomme to the  | ne October<br>25.0%           | <mark>4, 2021 compli</mark> | Number of violation  Violation Base  28, 2021 unauthorized dischance date.   | days<br>se Penalty  | \$12,500                       |
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|          | Number of \                     | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual single event  event is recomment to the   | 25.0% re NOE/NOV              | <mark>4, 2021 compli</mark> | Number of violation  Violation Base  28, 2021 unauthorized dischance date.   | days se Penalty   | \$12,500                       |
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|          | Number of \                     | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual single event  event is recomment to the  ply   Befo  Extraordinary Ordinary N/A   | 25.0% re NOE/NOV x The Respor | NOE/NOV to EDPR             | Number of violation  Violation Base  28, 2021 unauthorized discherance date.  P/Settlement Offer  compliance by October 4, Enforcement dated October                 | days se Penalty   | \$12,500                       |
|          | Number of \                     | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual single event  event is recomment to the  ply   Befo  Extraordinary Ordinary N/A   | 25.0% re NOE/NOV x The Respor | NOE/NOV to EDPR             | Number of violation  Violation Base  28, 2021 unauthorized discherance date.  P/Settlement Offer  compliance by October 4, Enforcement dated October                 | days se Penalty   | \$12,500                       |
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| Good Fa  | One monthly aith Efforts to Com | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual single event  event is recommento to to  extraordinary Ordinary N/A Notes 20  | 25.0% re NOE/NOV x The Respor | NOE/NOV to EDPR             | Number of violation  Violation Base  28, 2021 unauthorized dischedance date.  P/Settlement Offer  compliance by October 4, Enforcement dated October 021.  Violation | days  se Penalty  arge date  Reduction                          | \$12,500<br>\$3,125            |
| Good Fa  | One monthly aith Efforts to Com | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual single event  event is recomment to the  ply  Extraordinary Ordinary N/A Notes  20  this violation  | 25.0% re NOE/NOV x The Respor | NOE/NOV to EDPR             | Violation Base 28, 2021 unauthorized dischance date.  P/Settlement Offer compliance by October 4, enforcement dated October 021.  Violation Statutory Limit          | days  Se Penalty  arge date  Reduction  Subtotal  Test          | \$12,500<br>\$3,125<br>\$9,375 |
| Good Fa  | One monthly aith Efforts to Com | daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual single event  event is recommento to to  extraordinary Ordinary N/A Notes 20  | 25.0% re NOE/NOV x The Respor | NOE/NOV to EDPR             | Number of violation  Violation Base  28, 2021 unauthorized dischedance date.  P/Settlement Offer  compliance by October 4, Enforcement dated October 021.  Violation | days  Se Penalty  arge date  Reduction  Subtotal  Test          | \$12,500<br>\$3,125<br>\$9,375 |

|                               | E   | conomic              | Benefit  | Woı     | rksheet                                |  |                   |
|-------------------------------|---|----------------------|--|---------|--|--|-------------------|
| Respondent                    |   | bin                  |  |         |  |  |                   |
| Case ID No.                   |   |                      |  |         |  |  |                   |
| Reg. Ent. Reference No.       | RN102800190                                       |                      |  |         |  |  |                   |
| Media                         | Water Quality                                     |                      |  |         |  | Percent Interest   | Years of          |
| Violation No.                 | 1   |                      |  |         |  | Percent Interest   | Depreciation      |
|                               |   |                      |  |         |  | 5.0  | 15                |
|                               | <b>Item Cost</b>                                  | <b>Date Required</b> | <b>Final Date</b>  | Yrs     | <b>Interest Saved</b>                  | <b>Costs Saved</b>   | <b>EB Amount</b>  |
| Item Description              |   |                      |  |         |  |  |                   |
| ·                             |   |                      |  |         |  |  |                   |
| 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<br>Record Keeping System |   |                      |  | 0.00    | \$0<br>\$0                             | n/a  | \$0<br>#0         |
| Training/Sampling             |   |                      |  | 0.00    | \$0<br>\$0                             | n/a<br>n/a   | <u>\$0</u><br>\$0 |
| Remediation/Disposal          |   |                      |  | 0.00    | \$0<br>\$0                             | n/a  | \$0               |
| Other (as needed)             | \$330   | 28-Sep-2021          | 30-Sep-2021  | 0.01    | \$0                                    | n/a  | \$0               |
| Other (as needed)             | \$500   | 28-Sep-2021          | 4-Oct-2021   | 0.02    | \$0                                    | n/a  | \$0               |
|                               | unauthorized of<br>The second Ot<br>broken wastev | discharge, and the   | e Final Date is t<br>is the estimated<br>ne. The Date Re | he date | of compliance. o clean and disinfe     | e Date Required is to the control of the affected area unauthorized discha | and repair the    |
| Avoided Costs                 | ANNUA   | LIZE avoided c       | osts before en   | terina  | item (except for                       | one-time avoide  | d costs)          |
| Disposal                      |   |                      |  | 0.00    | \$0                                    | \$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               |
| Other (as needed)             | \$10  | 28-Sep-2021          | 26-Oct-2021  | 0.08    | \$0                                    | \$10   | \$10              |
| Notes for AVOIDED costs       | Estimated A                                       |                      | •  |         | ne dead fish. The Final Date is the so | Date Required is the reening date.   | e date of the     |
| Approx. Cost of Compliance    |   | \$840                |  |         | TOTAL                                  |  | \$10              |

|          | Screening Date               | 26-Oct-2021                   | Docket No.                                  | 2021-1417-MWD-E                         | PCW                           |
|----------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------|
|          | -                            | City of Log Cabin             |   | Policy                                  | Revision 5 (January 28, 2021) |
| _        | Case ID No.                  |                               |   | PC                                      | W Revision February 11, 2021  |
| Reg.     | Ent. Reference No.           |                               |   |   |                               |
|          | Media<br>Enf. Coordinator    | Water Quality                 |   |   |                               |
|          | Violation Number             |                               |   |   |                               |
|          | Rule Cite(s)                 |                               | 305 125(1) and TPDES P                      | ermit No. WQ0014158001,                 |                               |
|          |                              |                               | ing Requirements Nos. 7.                    |   |                               |
|          |                              |                               |   |   |                               |
|          |                              | •                             |   | CEQ Regional Office within 24           |                               |
|          | <b>Violation Description</b> | _                             | ·   | ecifically, the City did not notify     |                               |
|          | -                            |                               | that occurred on Septem                     | aware of the unauthorized her 28, 2021. |                               |
|          |                              | discharge                     | that occurred on Septem                     | 501 207 20211                           |                               |
|          |                              |                               |   | Base Penalty                            | \$25,000                      |
|          |                              |                               |   | base i chare                            | \$25,000                      |
| >> Env   | ironmental, Prope            | rty and Human Healt           | h Matrix                                    |   |                               |
|          | Release                      | <b>Harm</b><br>Major Moderate | Minor                                       |   |                               |
| OR       | Actual                       |                               |   |   |                               |
|          | Potential                    |                               |   | Percent 0.0%                            |                               |
| >>Pro    | grammatic Matrix             |                               |   |   |                               |
| F10      | Falsification                | Major Moderate                | Minor                                       |   |                               |
|          |                              | Х                             |   | Percent 10.0%                           |                               |
|          |                              |                               |   |   | <b>-</b>                      |
|          | Matrix                       | 100% of the ru                | e requirements were not                     | met                                     |                               |
|          | Notes                        | 100 /0 01 1110 141            | e requirements were not                     |   |                               |
|          |                              |                               |   |   |                               |
|          |                              |                               | Ad  | justment \$22,500                       |                               |
|          |                              |                               |   |   | \$2,500                       |
| Violatio | on Events                    |                               |   |   |                               |
| Violatio | on Events                    |                               |   | _                                       |                               |
|          | Number of V                  | Violation Events 1            | 2   | Number of violation days                |                               |
|          |                              | daily                         | 1   |   |                               |
|          |                              | weekly                        |   |   |                               |
|          |                              | monthly                       |   |   |                               |
|          |                              | quarterlysemiannual           |   | Violation Base Penalty                  | \$2,500                       |
|          |                              | annual                        |   |   |                               |
|          |                              | single event x                |   |   |                               |
|          |                              |                               |   |   | <b>-</b>                      |
|          |                              | One single                    | event is recommended.                       |   |                               |
|          |                              |                               |   |   |                               |
| Good F   | aith Efforts to Com          | nply 0.0%                     |   | Reduction                               | \$0                           |
|          |                              | Before NOE/NOV                | NOE/NOV to EDPRP/Settleme                   | ent Offer                               |                               |
|          |                              | Extraordinary                 |   | _                                       |                               |
|          |                              | Ordinary                      |   | <u>J</u>                                |                               |
|          |                              | N/A  <u>x</u>                 |   |   |                               |
|          |                              | Notes The Respon              | dent does not meet the g<br>this violation. | ood faith criteria for                  |                               |
|          |                              |                               | tins violation.                             |   |                               |
|          |                              |                               |   | Violation Subtota                       | \$2,500                       |
| Econor   | nic Benefit (EB) for         | this violation                |   | <b>Statutory Limit Test</b>             |                               |
|          | Estimate                     | ed EB Amount                  | \$0   | Violation Final Penalty Tota            | \$2,250                       |
|          |                              | This!-                        |   | -                                       |                               |
|          |                              | i nis vic                     | nativii Filiai ASSESSEA I                   | Penalty (adjusted for limits)           | \$2,250                       |

|  | E                               | conomic                      | <b>Benefit</b>  | Woi       | rksheet               |   |                       |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Respondent<br>Case ID No.<br>Reg. Ent. Reference No. | 61503                           |                              |                 |           |                       |   |                       |
|  | Water Quality                   |                              |                 |           |                       | Percent Interest                            | Years of Depreciation |
|  |                                 |                              |                 |           |                       | 5.0   | 15                    |
|  | Item Cost                       | <b>Date Required</b>         | Final Date      | Yrs       | <b>Interest Saved</b> | <b>Costs Saved</b>                          | EB Amount             |
| Item Description                                     |                                 |                              |                 |           |                       |   |                       |
| 5 1 10 1   |                                 |                              |                 |           |                       |   |                       |
| Delayed Costs  |                                 | 1                            |                 | 1 0 00    | 1 +0                  | 1 40  | +0                    |
| Equipment  |                                 |                              |                 | 0.00      | \$0<br>\$0            | \$0<br>\$0                                  | \$0<br>\$0            |
| Buildings<br>Other (as needed)                       |                                 |                              |                 | 0.00      | \$0                   | \$0<br>\$0                                  | \$0<br>\$0            |
| Engineering/Construction                             |                                 |                              |                 | 0.00      | \$0                   | \$0<br>\$0                                  | \$0<br>\$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                   |
| Permit Costs   |                                 |                              |                 | 0.00      | \$0                   | n/a   | \$0                   |
| Other (as needed)                                    | \$5                             | 29-Sep-2021                  | 1-Oct-2021      | 0.01      | \$0                   | n/a   | \$0                   |
|  | occurrence of<br>date of compli | a spill or discharg<br>ance. | ge. The Date Re | equired i | is the notification o | ter than 24 hours a<br>due date, and the Fi | nal Date is the       |
| Avoided Costs  | ANNU                            | ALIZE avoided c              | osts before er  |           |                       | one-time avoide                             |                       |
| Disposal   |                                 |                              |                 | 0.00      | \$0                   | \$0   | \$0                   |
| Personnel  |                                 |                              |                 | 0.00      | \$0                   | \$0   | \$0                   |
| Inspection/Reporting/Sampling                        |                                 |                              |                 | 0.00      | \$0                   | \$0   | \$0                   |
| Supplies/Equipment<br>Financial Assurance            |                                 |                              |                 | 0.00      | \$0<br>\$0            | \$0<br>\$0                                  | \$0<br>\$0            |
| ONE-TIME avoided costs                               |                                 |                              |                 | 0.00      | \$0<br>\$0            | \$0<br>\$0                                  | \$0                   |
| Other (as needed)                                    |                                 |                              |                 | 0.00      | \$0                   | \$0<br>\$0                                  | \$0                   |
| Notes for AVOIDED costs                              |                                 |                              |                 | 1 0100    | , <del>40</del>       | Ψ0  | ŢŪ.                   |
| Approx. Cost of Compliance                           |                                 | \$5                          |                 |           | TOTAL                 |   | \$0                   |

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# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN600673750, RN102800190, Rating Year 2021 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2021.

Customer, Respondent, CN600673750, City of Log Cabin Classification: HIGH Rating: 0.00

or Owner/Operator:

Regulated Entity: RN102800190, CITY OF LOG CABIN Classification: HIGH Rating: 0.00

WWTP

Complexity Points: 6 Repeat Violator: NO

**CH Group:** 08 - Sewage Treatment Facilities

**Location:** Approximately 0.5 mile south of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 3054 and County Road 1411, in

Henderson County, Texas

TCEQ Region: REGION 05 - TYLER

ID Number(s):

WASTEWATER PERMIT WQ0014158001

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

**Date Compliance History Report Prepared:** April 22, 2022

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: April 22, 2017 to April 22, 2022

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

Name: Cheryl Thompson Phone: (817) 588-5865

#### **Site and Owner/Operator History:**

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

2) Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period? NO

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

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

N/A

B. Criminal convictions:

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

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

N/Δ

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:

N/A

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

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



| IN THE MATTER OF AN | § | BEFORE THE            |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------|
| ENFORCEMENT ACTION  | § |                       |
| CONCERNING          | § | TEXAS COMMISSION ON   |
| CITY OF LOG CABIN   | § |                       |
| RN102800190         | § | ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY |

# AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2021-1417-MWD-E

| On                      | , the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the                 |
|-------------------------|---|
| Commission" or "TCEC    | ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement |
| action regarding the Ci | y of Log Cabin (the "Respondent") under the authority of TEX. WATER   |
| CODE chs. 7 and 26. Th  | e Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division,   |
| and the Respondent pr   | esented 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 a wastewater treatment facility located approximately 0.5 mile south of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 3054 and County Road 1411 in Henderson County, Texas (the "Facility"). The Facility is near or adjacent to water in the state as defined in Tex. Water Code § 26.001(5).
- 2. During an investigation conducted September 30, 2021 through October 6, 2021, an investigator documented that:
  - a. A broken wastewater collection line located along County Road 1411 in Malakoff, Texas resulted in the discharge of sewage into an unnamed ditch, which flowed into an adjacent residential pond. The pond was severely impacted; significant amounts of algae was growing on the surface of the pond, which indicates eutrophic conditions caused by excess nutrients. The excess nutrients contributed to a higher oxygen demand that reduced the dissolved oxygen, resulting in a fish kill.

- b. The Respondent did not notify the TCEQ until 48 hours after becoming initially aware of the unauthorized discharge that occurred on September 28, 2021.
- 3. The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent implemented the following corrective actions:
  - a. By notifying the TCEQ of the unauthorized discharge that occurred on September 28, 2021, by October 1, 2021.
  - b. By ceasing the discharge, pumping Lift Station 4, cleaning and disinfecting the affected area, and repairing the broken wastewater collection line by October 4, 2021.

### 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. WATER CODE ch. 26 and the rules of the TCEQ.
- 2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.a, the Respondent failed to prevent the unauthorized discharge of sewage into or adjacent to any water in the state, in violation of Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1), 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.125(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. WQ0014158001, Permit Conditions No. 2.g.
- 3. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.b, the Respondent failed to report an unauthorized discharge to the TCEQ Regional Office within 24 hours of becoming aware of the noncompliance, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 305.125(1) and TPDES Permit No. WO0014158001, Monitoring Requirements Nos. 7.a and 7.b.i.
- 4. 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.
- 5. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$10,375 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 \$10,375 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. 5 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: City of Log Cabin, Docket No. 2021-1417-MWD-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 Facility 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.
- 8. 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

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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   |  |
| 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,   |  |
| <ul> <li>A negative impact on compliance history;</li> <li>Greater scrutiny of any permit applications</li> <li>Referral of this case to the Attorney General additional penalties, and/or attorney fees,</li> <li>Increased penalties in any future enforcem</li> <li>Automatic referral to the Attorney General</li> <li>TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by</li> </ul> | al's Office for contempt, injunctive relief,<br>or to a collection agency;<br>ent actions;<br>'s Office of any future enforcement actions; and |
| In addition, any falsification of any compliance d   | locuments may result in criminal prosecution.  |
| Signature  | 12/70/7077<br>Date   |
| Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of City of Log Cabin   | Title  |
| $\Box$ If mailing address has changed, please check  | k this box and provide the new address below:  |
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