## Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 61588 Atascosa Rural Water Supply Corporation RN101439024 Docket No. 2021-1594-PWS-E

## Order Type:

Findings Agreed Order

## **Findings Order Justification:**

Three or more enforcement actions (NOVs, orders, etc.) over the prior five year period for the same violation(s).

## Media:

**PWS** 

#### **Small Business:**

Yes

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

Atascosa Rural WSC, 10882 Jarratt Road, Atascosa, Bexar County

# **Type of Operation:** Public water supply

## **Other Significant Matters:**

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

**Texas Register Publication Date:** August 19, 2022

Comments Received: No

#### **Penalty Information**

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$3,375

**Amount Deferred for Naturally Occurring Radionuclides:** \$3,375

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

Payment Plan: N/A

## **Compliance History Classifications:**

Person/CN - N/A Site/RN - N/A

**Major Source:** Yes

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A

**Applicable Penalty Policy:** January 2021

## **Investigation Information**

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

Date(s) of Investigation: November 1, 2021 through November 12, 2021

Date(s) of NOE(s): November 12, 2021

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## Violation Information

Failed to comply with the maximum contaminant level ("MCL") of 15 picoCuries per liter for gross alpha particle activity based on the running annual average [30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 290.108(f)(1) and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 341.0315(c)].

## Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

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

N/A

## **Technical Requirements:**

The Order will require the Respondent to:

- a. Within 180 days, submit an acceptable written plan, including a proposed schedule and any applicable planning materials, to the Executive Director that provides for an alternative water source, treatment technology, or other means of completing the necessary corrective actions to achieve compliance within 1,095 days with the MCL for gross alpha particle activity;
- b. Within 195 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with a.;
- c. Within 365 days and on a semi-annual basis thereafter, submit progress reports. These reports shall include information regarding actions taken to provide water which meets the MCL for gross alpha particle activity;
- d. Within 1,095 days, return to compliance with the MCL for gross alpha particle activity based on the running annual average; and
- e. Within 1,110 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with d.

## **Contact Information**

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Ronica Rodriguez, Enforcement Division,

Enforcement Team 4, MC R-14, (361) 881-6990; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

MC 219, (312) 239-2340

**Respondent:** James Sullivan, President, Atascosa Rural Water Supply Corporation, P.O.

Box 9, Atascosa, Texas 78002

James Gonzalez, Secretary, Atascosa Rural Water Supply Corporation, P.O. Box 9,

Atascosa, Texas 78002

Respondent's Attorney: N/A



# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW) Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)

PCW Revision February 11, 2021

**DATES** 

**PAYABLE PENALTY** 

Assigned 15-Nov-2021 PCW 30-Nov-2021 Screening 23-Nov-2021

**EPA Due** 31-Dec-2021

\$0

	PCW	30-Nov-2021	Screening	23-Nov-2021	EPA Due	31-Dec-2021		
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	f./Case ID No.	61588			No.	of Violations	1	
		2021-1594-PWS	-E		1101	Order Type		
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**PCW** 

**Respondent** Atascosa Rural Water Supply Corporation

**Case ID No.** 61588

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101439024

Media Public Water Supply

Enf. Coordinator Ronica Rodriguez

Compliance History Worksheet									
>>	Compliance His Component	tory Site 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)	2	10%					
		Other written NOVs	0	0%					
		Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	0	0%					
	Orders	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement 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 and Consent	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%					
	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)	0	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%					
	Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%					
		Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%					
		Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%					
		Adjustment Per	centage (Sub	total 2)	35%				
>>	Repeat Violator	· (Subtotal 3)							
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>>	>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)								
	N/A Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) 0%								
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			Ronica Rodrigu	ez				
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			Ordinary					
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Item Description								
Delayed Costs								
Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Other (as needed)	\$40,000	31-Mar-2021	12-Jul-2025	4.28	\$571	\$11,426	\$11,997	
Engineering/Construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
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Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
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Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0 \$0	\$0	
Personnel				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0 \$0	\$0	
Financial Assurance				0.00	\$0	\$0 \$0	\$0	
ONE-TIME avoided costs				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
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Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$40,000			TOTAL		\$11,997	

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# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN600677934, RN101439024, Rating Year 2021 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2021.

Customer, Respondent, CN600677934, Atascosa Rural Water Classification: NOT APPLICABLE Rating: N/A

or Owner/Operator: Supply Corporation

Regulated Entity: RN101439024, ATASCOSA RURAL WSC Classification: NOT APPLICABLE Rating: N/A

Complexity Points: N/A Repeat Violator: N/A

CH Group: 14 - Other

**Location:** 10882 Jarratt Road in Atascosa, Bexar County, Texas

TCEQ Region: REGION 13 - SAN ANTONIO

ID Number(s):

PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM/SUPPLY REGISTRATION 0150040

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

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: May 17, 2022

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: May 17, 2017 to May 17, 2022

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

Name: Ronica Rodriguez Phone: (361) 881-6990

### 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:

1 Effective Date: 02/19/2019 ADMINORDER 2018-0134-PWS-E (Findings Order-Agreed Order Without Denial)

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.106(f)(2) 5A THSC Chapter 341, SubChapter A 341.031(a)

Description: NO3 AMCL 4Q2017 - This system exceeded the MCL of 10 mg/L for nitrate (as nitrogen) with a sample result

of 11 mg/L collected on 10/06/2017.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.106(f)(2)

5A THSC Chapter 341, SubChapter A 341.031(a)

Description: NO3 AMCL 3Q2017 - This system exceeded the MCL of 10 mg/L for nitrate (as nitrogen) with a sample result

of 12 mg/L collected on 08/09/2017.

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

N/A

#### C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

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

 Item 1
 April 19, 2019
 (1554304)

 Item 2
 December 27, 2019
 (1618049)

 Item 3
 July 21, 2021
 (1738695)

## 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: 08/17/2021 (1771976)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.108(f)(1)

Description: GA MCL 2Q2021 - During the 2nd quarter of 2021 the system violated the

maximum contaminant level for gross alpha with a RAA of 16 pCi/L.

2 Date: 10/28/2021 (1771976)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.108(f)(1)

Description: GA MCL 3Q2021 - During the 3rd quarter of 2021 the system violated the

maximum contaminant level for gross alpha with a RAA of 16 pCi/L.

#### 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

#### **Component Appendices**

#### Appendix A

#### All NOVs Issued During Component Period 5/17/2017 and 5/17/2022

1 Date: 08/11/2017 (1449107)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation:

30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.106(f)(2) 5A THSC Chapter 341, SubChapter A 341.031(a)

Description: NO3 AMCL 3Q2017 - This system exceeded the MCL of 10 mg/L for nitrate (as

nitrogen) with a sample result of 12 mg/L collected on 08/09/2017.

2 Date: 10/26/2017 (1449107)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation:

30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.106(f)(2) 5A THSC Chapter 341, SubChapter A 341.031(a)

Description: NO3 AMCL 4Q2017 - This system exceeded the MCL of 10 mg/L for nitrate (as

nitrogen) with a sample result of 11 mg/L collected on 10/06/2017.

3\* Date: 04/15/2021 (1771976)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation:

30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.108(f)(1)

Description: GA MCL 1Q2021 - During the 1st quarter of 2021 the system violated the

maximum contaminant level for gross alpha with a RAA of 16 pCi/L.

4\* Date: 08/17/2021 (1771976)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation:

30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.108(f)(1)

Description: GA MCL 202021 - During the 2nd guarter of 2021 the system violated the

maximum contaminant level for gross alpha with a RAA of 16 pCi/L.

5 Date: 10/28/2021 (1771976)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation:

30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.108(f)(1)

Description: GA MCL 3Q2021 - During the 3rd quarter of 2021 the system violated the

maximum contaminant level for gross alpha with a RAA of 16 pCi/L.

#### Appendix B

## All Investigations Conducted During Component Period May 17, 2017 and May 17, 2022

Item 1	November 06, 2017**	(1449107)
Item 2	November 10, 2017**	(1449372)
Item 3*	April 19, 2019**	(1554304)
Item 4*	December 27, 2019**	(1618049)
Item 5*	July 21, 2021**	(1738695)
Item 6	November 09, 2021	(1771976)
Item 7	November 12, 2021	(1772443)

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

<sup>\*</sup> NOVs applicable for the Compliance History rating period 9/1/2016 to 8/31/2021

<sup>\*\*</sup>Investigation applicable for the Compliance History Rating period between 09/01/2016 and 08/31/2021.

## TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	§	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
ATASCOSA RURAL WATER	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
SUPPLY CORPORATION	§	
RN101439024	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

## AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2021-1594-PWS-E

On	the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the
Commission" or "TCEQ")	considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement
action regarding Atascosa	a Rural Water Supply Corporation (the "Respondent") under the
authority of TEX. HEALTH	& SAFETY CODE ch. 341. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through
the Enforcement Divisior	a, and the Respondent presented this Order to the Commission.

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

It is further understood and agreed that this Order represents the complete and fully-integrated agreement of the parties. The provisions of this Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable. The duties and responsibilities imposed by this Order are binding upon the Respondent.

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

#### I. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates a public water supply located at 10882 Jarratt Road in Atascosa, Bexar County, Texas (the "Facility"). The Facility provides water for human consumption, has approximately 3,670 service connections, and serves at least 25 people per day for at least 60 days per year. As such, the Facility is a public water system as defined in 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 290.38(71).
- 2. During a record review conducted on November 1, 2021 through November 12, 2021, an investigator documented that the running annual average concentrations of gross alpha particle activity were 16 picoCuries per liter ("pCi/L") for the first through third quarters of 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. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 341 and the rules of the TCEQ.
- 2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2, the Respondent failed to comply with the maximum contaminant level ("MCL") of 15 pCi/L for gross alpha particle activity based on the running annual average, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 290.108(f)(1) and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 341.0315(c).
- 3. Pursuant to TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 341.049(a), the TCEQ has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against the Respondent for violations of state statutes within the TCEQ's jurisdiction, for violations of rules adopted under such statutes, or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
- 4. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$3,375 is justified by the facts recited in this Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in Tex. Health & Safety Code § 341.049(b). The amount of \$3,375 is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Order and 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 requirement contained in this Order, the Executive Director may demand payment of all or part of the conditionally deferred penalty.

#### III. ORDERING PROVISIONS

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

1. The Respondent is assessed a penalty as set forth in Conclusion of Law No. 4 for violations of state statutes and rules of the TCEQ. The payment of this penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the requirements set forth in this Order resolve only the matters set forth by this Order in this action. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective actions or penalties for violations that are not raised here. Penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Atascosa Rural Water Supply Corporation, Docket No. 2021-1594-PWS-E" to:

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

2. The Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:

- a. Within 180 days after the effective date of this Order, submit an acceptable written plan, including a proposed schedule and any applicable planning materials, to the Executive Director that provides for an alternative water source, treatment technology, or other means of completing the necessary corrective actions to achieve compliance within 1,095 days after the effective date of this Order with the MCL for gross alpha particle activity to the addresses listed in Ordering Provision No. 2.e below.
- b. Within 195 days after the effective date of this Order, submit written certification as described in Ordering Provision No. 2.e below, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision No. 2.a.
- c. Within 365 days after the effective date of this Order and on a semi-annual basis thereafter, submit progress reports to the addresses listed in Ordering Provision No. 2.e below. These reports shall include information regarding actions taken to provide water which meets the MCL for gross alpha particle activity.
- d. Within 1,095 days after the effective date of this Order, return to compliance with the MCL for gross alpha particle activity based on the running annual average, in accordance with 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 290.108.
- e. Within 1,110 days after the effective date of this Order, submit written certification, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision No. 2.d. The certification shall be signed by the Respondent and shall include the following certification language:

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

The certification shall be submitted to:

Order Compliance Team Enforcement Division, MC 149A Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087 Atascosa Rural Water Supply Corporation DOCKET NO. 2021-1594-PWS-E Page 4

## with a copy to:

Drinking Water Special Functions Section Manager Water Supply Division, MC 155 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-0387

- 3. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
- 4. 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.
- 5. 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. Extension requests shall be sent to the Order Compliance Team at the address listed above.
- 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 in this Order.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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.
- 9. This Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or 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,

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lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms: electronic transmission, owner, person, writing, and written, shall have the meanings assigned to them under Tex. Bus. Org. Code § 1.002.

10. 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 the attached Order, and I do agree to the terms ar acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment on such representation.	nd conditions specified therein I further
I also understand that failure to comply with the (and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, r	Ordering Provisions, if any, in this Order may result in:
A negative impact on compliance history; Greater scrutiny of any permit applications a Referral of this case to the Attorney General additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, o Increased penalties in any future enforceme Automatic referral to the Attorney General's TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by l	's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, r to a collection agency; ent actions; s Office of any future enforcement actions: and
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