EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – ENFORCEMENT MATTER – CASE NO. 61811 Fernando Gonzalez RN111120028

Docket No. 2022-0106-MSW-E

Order Type:

Default Order

Media:

MSW

Small Business:

Yes

Location Where Violation Occurred:

419 Farm-to-Market Road 480, Center Point, Keer County (the "Site")

Type of Operation:

unauthorized municipal solid waste ("MSW") disposal site

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: None Past-Due Penalties: None Past-Due Fees: None Other: None Interested Third Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: September 26, 2025

Comments Received: None

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$3,750 **Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$0

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Total Due to General Revenue: \$3,750

Compliance History Classifications:

Person/CN - Satisfactory Site/RN - Satisfactory

Major Source: No Statutory Limit Adjustment: None

Applicable Penalty Policy: January 28, 2021

Investigation Information

Complaint Date: N/A

Dates of Investigation: December 6, 2021; March 3-8, 2021

Date of NOV: March 16, 2021

Date of NOE: December 13, 2021

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Violation Information

Respondent caused, suffered, allowed, or permitted the unauthorized disposal of municipal solid waste ("MSW") [30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 330.15(a) and (c)].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action Completed:

None

Technical Requirements:

- 1. Immediately cease disposing of any additional MSW at the Site, including scrap tires.
- 2. Within 30 days remove all MSW from the Site, including scrap tires, and dispose of it at an authorized facility.
- 3. Within 45 days submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with Technical Requirement Nos. 1 and 2.

Litigation Information

Date Petition Filed:November 6, 2023Date of Service:November 27, 2023

Date Answer Filed: N/A

Contact Information

TCEO Attorneys: William Hogan, Litigation Division, (512) 239-3400

Sheldon Wayne, Public Interest Counsel, (512) 239-6363

TCEQ Litigation Agenda Coordinator: Katherine McKenzie, Litigation Division, (512) 239-2575

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Lauren Little, Enforcement Division, (512) 239-6924

TCEO Regional Contact: Jack Higginbotham, San Antonio Regional Office, (210) 490-3096

Respondent Contact: Fernando Gonzalez, 419 Farm-to-Market Road 480, Center Point, Texas 78010

Respondent's Attorney: N/A



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

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

DATES Assigned 3-Jan-2022
PCW 11-Dec-2024 Screening 18-Jan-2022 EPA Due

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION
Respondent Fernando Gonzalez
Reg. Ent. Ref. No. RN111120028
Facility/Site Region 13-San Antonio Major/Minor Source Minor

CASE INFORMATION

Enf./Case ID No. 61811
Docket No. 2022-0106-MSW-E
Media Program(s) Municipal Solid Waste
Multi-Media
Multi-Media

Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum \$0 Maximum

No. of Violations 1
Order Type 1660
Government/Non-Profit No
Enf. Coordinator Alain Elegbe
Enforcement Team 6

Penalty Calculation Section TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties) Subtotal 1 \$3,750 ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1
Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage. **Compliance History 0.0%** Adjustment Subtotals 2, 3, & 7 \$0 Notes No adjustment for compliance history. Subtotal 4 Culpability No \$0 0.0% Enhancement Notes The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria. **Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments** Subtotal 5 \$0 **Economic Benefit** Subtotal 6 \$0 0.0% Enhancement* Total EB Amounts Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount \$36 Estimated Cost of Compliance **SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7** Final Subtotal \$3,750 OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE 0.0% Adjustment Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage. Notes Final Penalty Amount \$3,750 STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT Final Assessed Penalty \$3,750 0.0% \$0 **DEFERRAL** Reduction Adjustment Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage. Notes Deferral not offered for non-expedited settlement. **PAYABLE PENALTY** \$3,750

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

Screening Date 18-Jan-2022 Respondent Fernando Gonzalez

Case ID No. 61811

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN111120028

Media Municipal Solid Waste

Enf. Coordinator Alain Elegbe

Compliance History Worksheet								
>> Co	mpliance Hist Component	ory <i>Sit</i> e 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	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	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)	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 m		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 Per	centage (Sub	total 2)	0%			
>> Re	peat Violator	(Subtotal 3)						
[No Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3) 0							
>> Co	mpliance Hist	ory Person Classification (Subtotal 7)						
]	Satisfactory Performer Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) 0%							
>> Compliance History Summary								
	Compliance History Notes	No adjustment for compliance history.						
=-		Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (S	Subtotals 2,	3, & 7)	0%			
>> Final Compliance History Adjustment Final Adjustment Percentage *capped at 100% 0%								

	Scre	ening Date	18-Jan-2022	Docket	No. 2022-0106-MSW-E	PCW
	R	espondent	Fernando Gonzalez			Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)
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Reg.	Ent. Ref		RN111120028			
			Municipal Solid Wast	e		
		oordinator				
	Viola	ition Number	1			
		Rule Cite(s)		30 Tex. Admin. Code § 33	0.15(a) and (c)	
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						\$3,750
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	Economic Benefit Worksheet						
	espondent Fernando Gonzalez						
Case ID No.							
Reg. Ent. Reference No.							
Media Violation No.	Municipal Solid	d Waste				Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
						5.0	15
	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
Item Description							
Delayed Costs		-1		7			
Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed) Engineering/Construction				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Engineering/Construction Land		-		0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0 \$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal	\$526	21-Mar-2021	31-Jul-2022	1.36	\$36	n/a	\$36
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
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Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$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	\$0
Notes for AVOIDED costs		<u> </u>		<u> 0.00</u>	1 40	Ψ0	4 00
Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$526			TOTAL		\$36

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Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN605824192, RN111120028, Rating Year 2021 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2021.

Customer, Respondent, or CN605824192, Gonzalez, Fernando

Classification: SATISFACTORY

Rating: 8.00

Owner/Operator: Regulated Entity:

RN111120028, 419 FM 480 KERR CAD

Classification: SATISFACTORY

Rating: 8.00

PROP ID 66699

NO Repeat Violator:

Complexity Points:

14 - Other

CH Group: Location:

419 Farm-to-Market Road 480, Center Point, Kerr County, Texas 78010-5566

TCEQ Region:

REGION 13 - SAN ANTONIO

ID Number(s):

MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE NON PERMITTED ID NUMBER

R13111120028

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

Rating Date: 09/01/2021

Date Compliance History Report Prepared:

December 11, 2024

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:

Enforcement

Component Period Selected:

April 01, 2017 to March 31, 2022

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

Phone: (817) 588-5888 Name: Lauren Little

Site and Owner/Operator History:

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

NO

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:

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

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

N/A

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:

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):

N/A

Н.	Voluntary	on-site	compliance	assessment	dates:
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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
FERNANDO GONZALEZ;	§	
RN111120028	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

DEFAULT ORDER DOCKET NO. 2022-0106-MSW-E

On	, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("Commission" or
"TCEQ") considere	d the Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition, filed pursuant to TEX.
WATER CODE ch. 7,	TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 361, and the rules of the TCEQ, which requests
appropriate relief,	including the imposition of an administrative penalty and corrective action of
the respondent. The	ne respondent made the subject of this Order is Fernando Gonzalez
("Respondent").	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent owns and operates an unauthorized municipal solid waste ("MSW") disposal site located at 419 Farm-to-Market Road 480 in Center Point, Kerr County, Texas (the "Site"). The Site contains and/or involves the management of MSW, including scrap tires, as defined in Tex. Health & Safety Code ch. 361.
- 2. During an investigation conducted on December 6, 2021, an investigator documented that Respondent caused, suffered, allowed, or permitted the unauthorized disposal of MSW. Specifically, approximately 13 scrap tires and approximately 30 cubic yards of MSW consisting of brush and burnt waste were disposed of at the Site.
- 3. The Executive Director filed the "Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition Recommending that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enter an Enforcement Order Assessing an Administrative Penalty Against and Requiring Certain Actions of Fernando Gonzalez" (the "EDPRP") in the TCEQ Chief Clerk's office on November 6, 2023.
- 4. By letter dated November 6, 2023, sent to Respondent's last known address via certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, the Executive Director served Respondent with notice of the EDPRP. According to the return receipt "green card," Respondent received notice of the EDPRP on November 27, 2023, as evidenced by the signature on the card.
- 5. More than 20 days have elapsed since Respondent received notice of the EDPRP. Respondent failed to file an answer and failed to request a hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 1, Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEQ pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code ch. 361 and the rules of the TCEQ.
- 2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2, Respondent caused, suffered, allowed, or permitted the unauthorized disposal of MSW, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 330.15(a) and (c).

- 3. As evidenced by Findings of Fact Nos. 3 and 4, the Executive Director timely served Respondent with proper notice of the EDPRP, as required by Tex. Water Code § 7.055 and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.104(b)(1).
- 4. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 5, Respondent failed to file a timely answer as required by Tex. Water Code § 7.056 and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.105. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 7.057 and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.106, the Commission may enter a Default Order against Respondent and assess the penalty recommended by the Executive Director.
- 5. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 7.051, the Commission has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against Respondent for violations of state statutes within TCEQ's jurisdiction, for violations of rules adopted under such statutes, or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
- 6. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$3,750 is justified by the facts recited in this Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in Tex. Water Code § 7.053.
- 7. Tex. Water Code §§ 5.102 and 7.002 authorize the Commission to issue orders and make determinations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the statutes within its jurisdiction.

ORDERING PROVISIONS

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

- 1. Respondent is assessed an administrative penalty in the amount of \$3,750 for violations of state statutes and rules of the TCEQ. The payment of this penalty and 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 which are not raised here.
- 2. The penalty assessed by this Order shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Order. All checks submitted to pay the penalty imposed by this Order shall be made out to TCEQ and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Fernando Gonzalez; Docket No. 2022-0106-MSW-E" to:

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

- 3. Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
 - a. Immediately upon the effective date of this Order, cease disposing of any additional MSW at the Site, including scrap tires.
 - b. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Order, remove all MSW from the Site, including scrap tires, and dispose of it at an authorized facility.
 - c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Order, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision Nos. 3.a. and 3.b.

 The certification shall be accompanied by detailed supporting documentation, including photographs, receipts, and/or other records, shall be signed by 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 fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The written certification and supporting documentation necessary to demonstrate compliance with these Ordering Provisions shall be sent to:

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

and:

Waste Section Manager San Antonio Regional Office Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 14250 Judson Road San Antonio, Texas 78233-4480

- 4. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
- 5. The provisions of this Order shall apply to and be binding upon Respondent. Respondent is ordered to give notice of this Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Site operations referenced in this Order.
- 6. 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 Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until 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 Enforcement Division at the address listed above.
- 7. If Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Order. Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
- 8. The Executive Director may refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings without notice to Respondent if the Executive Director determines that Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Order.
- 9. 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.
- 10. 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.
- 11. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this fully executed Order to each of the parties. By law, the effective date of this Order shall be the date the Order is final, as provided by 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.106(d) and Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.144.

SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUA	LITY
For the Commission	Date

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



UNSWORN DECLARATION OF WILLIAM HOGAN

"On behalf of the Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the 'Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition Recommending that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enter an Enforcement Order Assessing an Administrative Penalty Against and Requiring Certain Actions of Fernando Gonzalez' (the "EDPRP") was filed in the TCEQ Chief Clerk's office on November 6, 2023.

The EDPRP was mailed to Respondent's last known address on November 6, 2023, via certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid. According to the return receipt "green card," Respondent received notice of the EDPRP on November 27, 2023, as evidenced by the signature on the card.

More than 20 days have elapsed since Respondent received notice of the EDPRP. Respondent failed to file an answer and failed to request a hearing."

"My name is William Hogan, and I am an employee of the following governmental agency: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. I am executing this declaration as part of my assigned duties and responsibilities. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct."

Executed in Travis County, State of Texas, on the 6th day of March, 2025

William Hogan

Declarant