

Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 62228  
EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C.  
RN111426987  
Docket No. 2022-0448-WQ-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:**

WQ

**Small Business:**

No

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

Morris Road Water Line Phase II, located north of Morris Road and Cross Timbers Road, Flower Mound, Denton County

**Type of Operation:**

Water line construction site

**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:** \$8,125

**Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$8,125

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

Payment Plan: N/A

**Compliance History Classifications:**

Person/CN - High

Site/RN - N/A

**Major Source:** No

**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:** February 17, 2022

**Date(s) of NOE(s):** April 14, 2022

***Violation Information***

Failed to prevent an unauthorized discharge of hyperchlorinated water into or adjacent to any water in the state [TEX. WATER CODE § 26.121(a)(2)].

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***Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements***

**Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

The Respondent implemented a corrective measure by placing dechlorination tablets in numerous locations along Timber Creek to neutralize the chlorine and removing and properly disposing of the dead fish by December 2, 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:** James Wyatt Adams, Member, EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C., 774 Dumaine Court, Bossier City, Louisiana 71111  
Derrick Gage, Operations Manager, EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C., 2228 Southeast Loop #59, Carthage, Texas 75633

**Respondent's Attorney:** N/A



# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)

PCW Revision February 11, 2021

<b>DATES</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	18-Apr-2022	<b>Screening</b>	19-Apr-2022	<b>EPA Due</b>	
	<b>PCW</b>	19-Apr-2022				

<b>RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Respondent</b>	EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C.
<b>Reg. Ent. Ref. No.</b>	RN111426987
<b>Facility/Site Region</b>	4-Dallas/Fort Worth
<b>Major/Minor Source</b>	Minor

<b>CASE INFORMATION</b>			
<b>Enf./Case ID No.</b>	62228	<b>No. of Violations</b>	1
<b>Docket No.</b>	2022-0448-WQ-E	<b>Order Type</b>	Findings
<b>Media Program(s)</b>	Water Quality	<b>Government/Non-Profit</b>	No
<b>Multi-Media</b>		<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	Alyssa Loveday
		<b>EC's Team</b>	Enforcement Team 1
<b>Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum</b>	\$0	<b>Maximum</b>	\$25,000

## Penalty Calculation Section

<b>TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)</b>	<b>Subtotal 1</b>	\$12,500
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### ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage.

<b>Compliance History</b>	-10.0%	Adjustment	<b>Subtotals 2, 3, &amp; 7</b>	-\$1,250
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<b>Notes</b>	Reduction for High Performer Classification.
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<b>Culpability</b>	No	0.0%	Enhancement	<b>Subtotal 4</b>	\$0
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<b>Notes</b>	The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.
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<b>Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments</b>	<b>Subtotal 5</b>	-\$3,125
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<b>Economic Benefit</b>	0.0%	Enhancement*	<b>Subtotal 6</b>	\$0
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Total EB Amounts	\$0	*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount
Estimated Cost of Compliance	\$500	

<b>SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7</b>	<b>Final Subtotal</b>	\$8,125
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<b>OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE</b>	0.0%	Adjustment	\$0
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Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

<b>Notes</b>	
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<b>Final Penalty Amount</b>	\$8,125
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<b>STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT</b>	<b>Final Assessed Penalty</b>	\$8,125
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<b>DEFERRAL</b>	0.0%	Reduction	Adjustment	\$0
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Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage.

<b>Notes</b>	No deferral is recommended for Findings Orders.
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<b>PAYABLE PENALTY</b>	\$8,125
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Screening Date 19-Apr-2022

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PCW

Respondent EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C.

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Media Water Quality

Enf. Coordinator Alyssa Loveday

### Compliance History Worksheet

#### >> Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)

Component	Number of...	Number	Adjust.
NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action ( <i>number of NOVs meeting criteria</i> )	0	0%
	Other written NOVs	0	0%
Orders	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability ( <i>number of orders meeting criteria</i> )	0	0%
	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 and Consent Decrees	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government ( <i>number of judgments or consent decrees meeting criteria</i> )	0	0%
	Any adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this state or the federal government	0	0%
Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government ( <i>number of counts</i> )	0	0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events ( <i>number of events</i> )	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 ( <i>number of audits for which notices were submitted</i> )	0	0%
	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 ( <i>number of audits for which violations were disclosed</i> )	0	0%
Other	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%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%

**Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 2)** 0%

#### >> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

N/A

**Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3)** 0%

#### >> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

High Performer

**Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7)** -10%

#### >> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

Reduction for High Performer Classification.

**Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7)** -10%

#### >> Final Compliance History Adjustment

**Final Adjustment Percentage \*capped at 100%** -10%

**Screening Date** 19-Apr-2022  
**Respondent** EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C.  
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**Media** Water Quality  
**Enf. Coordinator** Alyssa Loveday

**Docket No.** 2022-0448-WQ-E

**PCW**

*Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)*

*PCW Revision February 11, 2021*

**Violation Number** 1

**Rule Cite(s)** Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(2)

**Violation Description**

Failed to prevent an unauthorized discharge of hyperchlorinated water into or adjacent to any water in the state. Specifically, on December 2, 2021, approximately 60,000 gallons of hyperchlorinated water was released from a newly installed 24-inch water line at the Site, which discharged into Timber Creek, resulting in the deaths of approximately 2,716 fish.

**Base Penalty** \$25,000

>> **Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix**

OR	Release	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
	Actual	x			50.0%
	Potential				

>> **Programmatic Matrix**

	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
					0.0%

Matrix Notes

Human health or the environment has been exposed to pollutants which exceed levels that are protective of human health or environmental receptors as a result of the violation.

**Adjustment** \$12,500

\$12,500

**Violation Events**

Number of Violation Events 1 Number of violation days 1

daily	
weekly	
monthly	x
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	

**Violation Base Penalty** \$12,500

One monthly event is recommended from the December 2, 2021 unauthorized discharge date to the December 2, 2021 compliance date.

**Good Faith Efforts to Comply**

25.0%

Reduction

\$3,125

Before NOE/NOV NOE/NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer

Extraordinary	
Ordinary	x
N/A	

Notes The Respondent achieved compliance by December 2, 2021 prior to the Notice of Enforcement dated April 14, 2022.

**Violation Subtotal** \$9,375

**Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation**

**Statutory Limit Test**

**Estimated EB Amount** \$0

**Violation Final Penalty Total** \$8,125

**This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)** \$8,125

# Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C.  
**Case ID No.** 62228  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN111426987  
**Media** Water Quality  
**Violation No.** 1

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
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### 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				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)	\$500	2-Dec-2022	2-Dec-2022	0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

**Notes for DELAYED costs**

Estimated other cost to purchase and place dechlorination tablets in Timber Creek and clean up and dispose of the dead fish. The Date Required in the unauthorized discharge date, and the Final Date is the date of compliance.

### Avoided Costs

**ANNUALIZE avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided 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)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

**Notes for AVOIDED costs**

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$500

**TOTAL**

\$0

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# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN605558535, RN111426987, Rating Year 2021 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2021.

**Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator:** CN605558535, EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C.      **Classification:** HIGH      **Rating:** 0.00

**Regulated Entity:** RN111426987, MORRIS ROAD WATER LINE PHASE II      **Classification:** NOT APPLICABLE      **Rating:** N/A

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

**CH Group:** 14 - Other

**Location:** North of Morris Road and Cross Timbers Road Intersection in Flower Mound, Denton County, Texas

**TCEQ Region:** REGION 04 - DFW METROPLEX

**ID Number(s):**  
**WATER QUALITY NON-PERMITTED ID NUMBER**  
R04111426987

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

**Date Compliance History Report Prepared:** April 18, 2022

**Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:** Enforcement

**Component Period Selected:** April 18, 2017 to April 18, 2022

**TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.**  
**Name:** Alyssa Loveday      **Phone:** (512) 239-5504

## **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:**  
N/A

**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:**  
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 4/18/2017 and 4/18/2022**

N/A

**Appendix B**

**All Investigations Conducted During Component Period April 18, 2017 and April 18, 2022**

Item 1            April 08, 2022                    (1781714)

\* No violations documented during this investigation

\*\*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  
ENFORCEMENT ACTION  
CONCERNING  
EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C.  
RN111426987

§ BEFORE THE  
§ TEXAS COMMISSION ON  
§ ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
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## AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2022-0448-WQ-E

On \_\_\_\_\_, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C. (the "Respondent") under the authority of TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7 and 26. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent presented this Order to the Commission.

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

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

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

### I. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Respondent operates a water line construction site located north of the Morris Road and Cross Timbers Road intersection in Flower Mound, Denton County, Texas (the "Site"). The Site is near or adjacent to water in the state as defined in TEX. WATER CODE § 26.001(5).
2. During an investigation conducted on February 17, 2022, an investigator documented that on December 2, 2021, approximately 60,000 gallons of hyperchlorinated water was released from a newly installed 24-inch water line at the Site, which discharged into Timber Creek, resulting in the deaths of approximately 2,716 fish.
3. The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent implemented a corrective measure at the Site by placing dechlorination tablets in numerous locations along Timber Creek to neutralize the chlorine and removing and properly disposing of the dead fish by December 2, 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, the Respondent failed to prevent an unauthorized discharge of hyperchlorinated water into or adjacent to any water in the state, in violation of TEX. WATER CODE § 26.121(a)(2).
3. Pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 7.051, the TCEQ has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against the Respondent for violations of state statutes within the TCEQ's jurisdiction, for violations of rules adopted under such statutes, or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
4. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$8,125 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 \$8,125 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: EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C., Docket No. 2022-0448-WQ-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 Site 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 reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms: electronic transmission, owner, person, writing, and written, shall have the meanings assigned to them under TEX. BUS. ORG. CODE § 1.002.
9. The effective date of this Order is the date it is signed by the Commission. A copy of this fully executed Order shall be provided to each of the parties.

SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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For the Commission

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Date



12/5/2022

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For the Executive Director

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Date

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Order. I am authorized to agree to the attached Order, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty amount, is materially relying on such representation.

I also understand that failure to comply with the Ordering Provisions, if any, in this Order and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may result in:

- A negative impact on compliance history;
- Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted;
- Referral of this case to the OAG for contempt, injunctive relief, additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;
- Increased penalties in any future enforcement actions;
- Automatic referral to the OAG of any future enforcement actions; and
- TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.

In addition, any falsification of any compliance documents may result in criminal prosecution.

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Signature

7/19/2022

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Date

Derrick Gage

Operations Manager

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Name (Printed or typed)  
Authorized Representative of  
EXCEL AIRCRAFT, L.L.C.

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Title

*If mailing address has changed, please check this box and provide the new address below:*

**Instructions:** Send the original, signed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section at the address in Ordering Provision 1 of this Order.