#### Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 62550 7-ELEVEN, INC. dba 7-Eleven Store 40928 RN104527189 Docket No. 2022-0810-PST-E

**Order Type:** 1660 Agreed Order **Findings Order Justification:** N/A Media: PST **Small Business:** No Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred: 7-Eleven Store 40928, 7120 Bob Bullock Loop, Laredo, Webb County **Type of Operation:** Underground storage tank ("UST") system and a convenience store with retail sales of gasoline **Other Significant Matters:** Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No Past-Due Penalties: No Other: N/A Interested Third-Parties: None Texas Register Publication Date: January 20, 2023 Comments Received: No

## **Penalty Information**

Total Penalty Assessed: \$20,052 Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$4,010 Total Paid to General Revenue: \$16,042 Total Due to General Revenue: \$0 Payment Plan: N/A Compliance History Classifications: Person/CN - Satisfactory Site/RN - High 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: April 12, 2022 Date(s) of NOE(s): June 9, 2022

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## **Violation Information**

1. Failed to report a suspected release to the TCEQ within 24 hours of discovery. Specifically, inventory control records for the unleaded underground storage tank ("UST") from May 19, 2021 through September 11, 2021 and for the diesel UST from October 16, 2021 through January 13, 2022 indicated suspected releases that were not reported [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.72].

2. Failed to investigate and confirm all suspected releases of regulated substances requiring reporting within 30 days. Specifically, inventory control records for the unleaded UST from May 19, 2021 through September 11, 2021 and for the diesel UST from October 16, 2021 through January 13, 2022 indicated suspected releases that were not investigated [30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 334.74].

## **Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements**

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

N/A

#### **Technical Requirements:**

The Order will require the Respondent to:

a. Within 30 days:

i. Develop and implement a process for reporting suspected releases timely; and

ii. Conduct an investigation of the suspected releases and implement appropriate corrective measures.

b. Within 45 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with a.

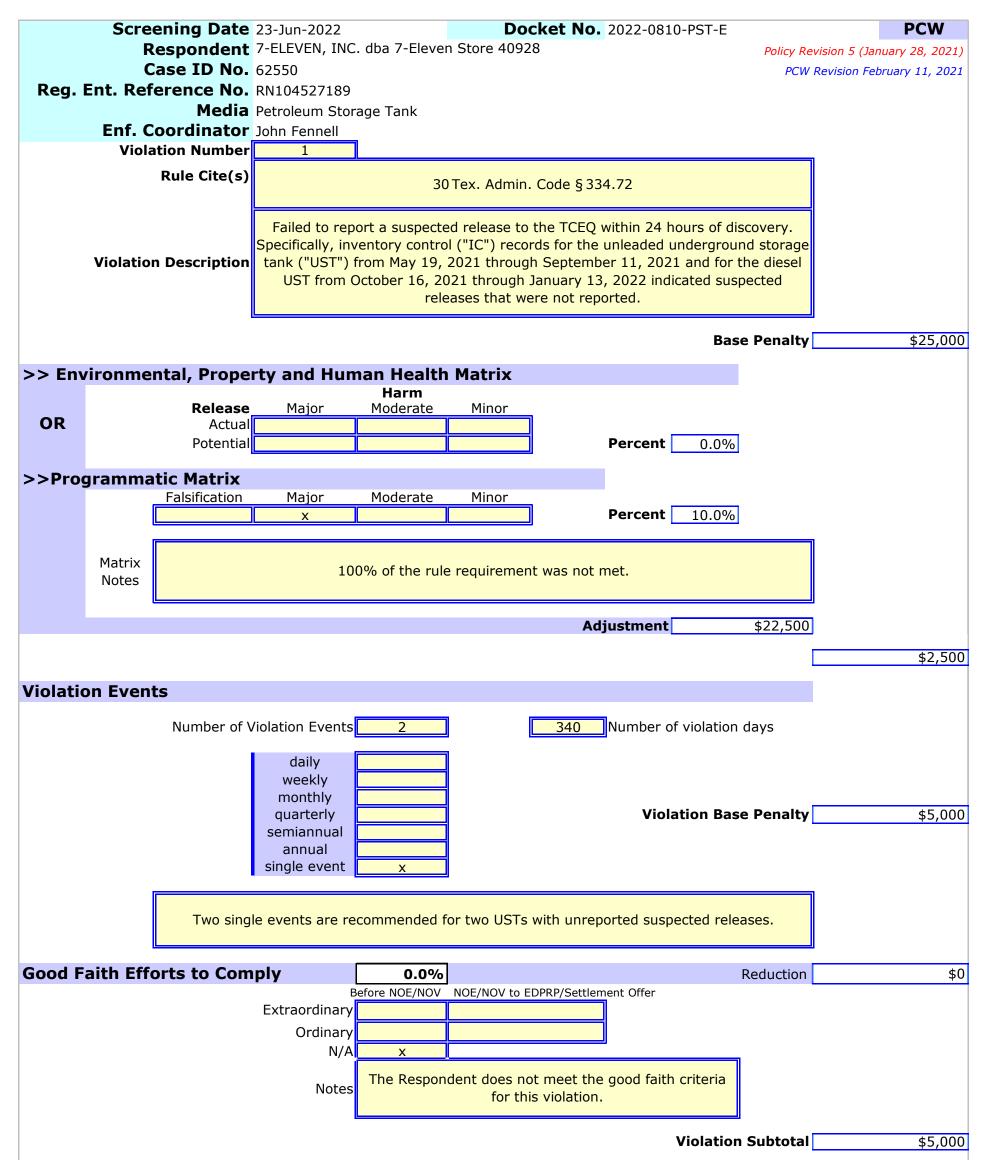
#### **Contact Information**

**TCEQ Attorney:** N/A **TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Karolyn Kent, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 3, MC 219, (512) 239-2536; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548 **Respondent:** Donna Bucella, Chief Compliance Officer, 7-Eleven Store 40928, P.O. Box 711, Dallas, Texas 75221

**Respondent's Attorney:** Kirk F. Sniff, Attorney-in-Fact, Clark Hill PLC, 901 Main Street, Suite 6000, Dallas, Texas 75202

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	Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%
	Audits	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducte Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th 1995 (number of audits for which notices were submitted)		0%
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		Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
	Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the execut under a special assistance program		0%
	Other	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
		Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state government environmental requirements	e or federal No	0%
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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	
<b>Record Keeping System</b>				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
<b>Remediation/Disposal</b>				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0	
Other (as needed)	\$100	12-Apr-2022	9-May-2023	1.07	\$5	n/a	\$5	
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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	
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Financial Assurance				0.00			\$0	
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Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation	n Statutory Limit Test	
Estimated EB Amount	\$121 Violation Final Penalty Total	\$15,039
	This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)	\$15,039

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Respondent 7-ELEVEN, INC. dba 7-Eleven Store 40928								
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Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>Engineering/Construction</b>				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	
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# **Compliance History Report**

Compliance History Report for CN600240329, RN104527189, Rating Year 2021 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2021.

Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator:	CN600240329, 7-ELEVEN, INC.	Classification: SATISFACT	ORY Rating: 0.16						
<b>Regulated Entity:</b>	RN104527189, 7-Eleven Store 40928	Classification: HIGH	<b>Rating:</b> 0.00						
<b>Complexity Points:</b>	2	Repeat Violator: NO							
CH Group:	14 - Other								
Location:	7120 Bob Bullock Loop in Laredo, Webb County, Texas 78041-1977								
TCEQ Region:	REGION 16 - LAREDO								
ID Number(s): PETROLEUM STORAGE TAN REGISTRATION 77182	K REGISTRATION								
<b>Compliance History Perio</b>	September 01, 2016 to August 31,	2021 <b>Rating Year:</b> 2021	Rating Date: 09/01/2021						
Date Compliance History	Report Prepared: June 24, 2022								
Agency Decision Requiri	ng Compliance History: Enforcer	nent							
<b>Component Period Selec</b>	ted: June 24, 2017 to June 24, 2022								
TCEQ Staff Member to Co	ontact for Additional Information	n Regarding This Compliance	e History.						
Name: John Fennell		<b>Phone:</b> (512) 239-2	2616						
Site and Owner/Opera	ator History:								
•	ce and/or operation for the full five year		YES						
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<ul><li>3) Who is the current owner/op</li><li>4) Who was/were the prior ow</li></ul>	,	ER OPERATOR since 1/23/2018 perty Company LLC, OWNER OPER	ATOR, 5/11/2015 to 1/22/2018						
	dia) for the Site Are Listed in adgments, and consent decrees:	Sections A - J							

B. Criminal convictions:

N/A

N/A

- C. Chronic excessive emissions events: \$N/A\$
- D. The approval dates of investigations (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

Item 1 March 15, 2019 (1551987)

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):  $_{\mbox{N/A}}$
- H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates:  $\ensuremath{\text{N/A}}$
- 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



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IN THE MATTER OF AN ENFORCEMENT ACTION CONCERNING 7-ELEVEN, INC. DBA 7-ELEVEN STORE 40928 RN104527189 **BEFORE THE** 

TEXAS COMMISSION ON

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

#### AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2022-0810-PST-E

#### I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On \_\_\_\_\_\_, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding 7-ELEVEN, INC. dba 7-Eleven Store 40928 (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 together stipulate that:

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates, as defined in 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.2(78) and (75), an underground storage tank ("UST") system and a convenience store with retail sales of gasoline located at 7120 Bob Bullock Loop in Laredo, Webb County, Texas (the "Facility"). The UST system at the Facility is not exempt or excluded from regulation under the Texas Water Code or the rules of the Commission, and contains or contained a regulated petroleum substance as defined in the rules of the TCEQ.
- 2. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree that the TCEQ has jurisdiction to enter this Order pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE §§ 7.002, 7.051, and 7.073, and that the Respondent is subject to TCEQ's jurisdiction. The TCEQ has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 5.013 because it alleges violations of TEX. WATER CODE ch. 26 and the rules of the TCEQ.
- 3. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
- 4. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$20,052 is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent paid \$16,042 of the penalty and \$4,010 is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Order. The deferred amount shall be waived only upon full compliance with all the terms and conditions contained in this Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with any of the terms or requirements contained in this Order, the Executive Director may demand payment of all or part of the deferred penalty amount.
- 5. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to final approval in accordance with 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(a). Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or

required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.

- 6. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Order.
- 7. This Order represents the complete and fully-integrated agreement of the parties. The provisions of this Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.
- 8. This Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Order, whichever is later.

#### **II. ALLEGATIONS**

During an investigation conducted on April 12, 2022, an investigator documented that the Respondent:

- 1. Failed to report a suspected release to the TCEQ within 24 hours of discovery, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.72. Specifically, inventory control ("IC") records for the unleaded UST from May 19, 2021 through September 11, 2021 and for the diesel UST from October 16, 2021 through January 13, 2022 indicated suspected releases that were not reported.
- 2. Failed to investigate and confirm all suspected releases of regulated substances requiring reporting under 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 334.72 (relating to Reporting of Suspected Releases) within 30 days, in violation of 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 334.74. Specifically, IC records for the unleaded UST from May 19, 2021 through September 11, 2021 and for the diesel UST from October 16, 2021 through January 13, 2022 indicated suspected releases that were not investigated.

#### **III. DENIALS**

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

#### **IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS**

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

1. The Respondent is assessed a penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph No. 4. The payment of this penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all of the requirements set forth in this Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: 7-ELEVEN, INC. dba 7-Eleven Store 40928, Docket No. 2022-0810-PST-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 30 days after the effective date of this Order:
    - i. Develop and implement a process for reporting suspected releases timely, in accordance with 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 334.72; and
    - ii. Conduct an investigation of the suspected releases and implement appropriate corrective measures, in accordance with 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 334.74.
  - b. Within 45 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.a. 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

with a copy to:

Waste Section Manager Laredo Regional Office Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 707 East Calton Road, Suite 304 Laredo, Texas 78041-3887

- 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. If the 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, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive

Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.

- 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 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.
- 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.

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#### SIGNATURE PAGE

#### TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission

Date

For the Executive Director

\_\_\_\_<u>3/10/2023</u>\_\_\_\_\_ 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.

Signature

December 8, 2022

Kirk F. Sniff Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of 7-ELEVEN, INC. dba 7-Eleven Store 40928

Attorney-in-Fact 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.