Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 62656 CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC RN101182830 Docket No. 2022-0894-PWS-E

Order Type:

Findings Agreed Order

Findings Order Justification:

Three repeated enforcement actions (or two orders with nuisance violations) over the prior five year period for the same violation(s).

Media:

PWS

Small Business:

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

South Council Creek 2, located at County Road 137 and King Plaza, Burnet, Burnet County

Type of Operation:

Public water supply

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: Yes, Docket No. 2023-1270-PWS-E

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: March 8, 2024

Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$5,000

Amount Deferred for Naturally Occurring Radionuclides: \$5,000

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

Payment Plan: N/A

Compliance History Classifications:

Person/CN - Satisfactory

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: June 20, 2022 through July 15, 2022

Date(s) of NOE(s): July 15, 2022

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Violation Information

Failed to comply with the maximum contaminant level ("MCL") of 15 picoCuries per liter ("pCi/L") for gross alpha particle activity and 5 pCi/L for combined radium-226 and radium-228 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 alternate 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 and combined radium-226 and radium-228;
- 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 and combined radium-226 and radium-228;
- d. Within 1,095 days, return to compliance with the MCL for gross alpha particle activity and combined radium-226 and radium-228 based on a running annual average; and
- e. Within 1,110 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with d.

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Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Ashley Lemke, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 4, MC 219, (512) 239-1118; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

Respondent: Karl Stephens, Texas Regional Manager, CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC, 1630 Des Peres Road Suite 140, Des Peres, Missouri, 63131-1870 Josiah Cox, President, CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC, 1630 Des Peres

Road Suite 140, Des Peres, Missouri, 63131-1870

Respondent's Attorney: N/A



PAYABLE PENALTY

Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)

PCW Revision February 11, 2021

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Respondent CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021) PCW Revision February 11, 2021

Case ID No. 62656

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101182830

Media Public Water Supply

Enf. Coordinator Ashley Lemke

Compliance History Worksheet							
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			Other written NOVs	0	0%		
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		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%		
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		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%		
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Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$40,000	30-Sep-2021	30-Jan-2027	5.34	\$712	\$14,232	\$14,944
Engineering/Construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0 \$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0 \$0	n/a n/a	\$0 \$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0 \$0	n/a	\$0
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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		\$40,000			TOTAL		\$14,944

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Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN605844786, RN101182830, Rating Year 2023 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2018, through August 31, 2023.

Customer, Respondent, CN605844786, CSWR-Texas Utility Classification: SATISFACTORY Rating: 7.29

or Owner/Operator: Operating Company, LLC

Regulated Entity: RN101182830, SOUTH COUNCIL CREEK Classification: NOT APPLICABLE Rating: N/A

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

CH Group: 14 - Other

Location: County Road 137 and King Plaza in Burnet, Burnet County, Texas

TCEQ Region: REGION 11 - AUSTIN

ID Number(s):

PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM/SUPPLY REGISTRATION 0270080

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2018 to August 31, 2023 Rating Year: 2023 Rating Date: 09/01/2023

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: December 06, 2023 **Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:** Enforcement

Component Period Selected: December 06, 2018 to December 06, 2023

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

Name: Ashley Lemke **Phone:** (512) 239-1118

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.):

Item 1 October 13, 2020 (1670623)

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:

Notice of Intent Date: 01/19/2021 (1710317)

Disclosure Date: 02/12/2021 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.41

30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.41(c)(3)(K) 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.41(c)(3)(M)

Description: Failed to prevent garden hoses at well sites.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.42(c)(5)

30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.42(f)(1)(B)

Description: Failed to provide chlorine day tanks.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.42(b)(7) Description: Failed to ensure air relief valves are screened.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.41(c)(3)(K)

30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.42(f)(1)(E)(ii)

Description: Failed to provide adequate containment for the chlorine container.

Disclosure Date: 07/20/2021 Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.44(h)(1)(B)

30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.47(f)

Description: Failed to establish an adequate cross-connection prevention program denoting appropriate backflow

prevention devices and testing requirements.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.46(j) Description: Failed to conduct customer service inspections.

Viol. Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.46(i) Description: Failed to establish a retail service agreement.

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):

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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 12/6/2018 and 12/6/2023

1 Date: 10/22/2021 (1826904)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation:

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

Description: COMB RAD and GA MCL 3Q2021 - During the 3rd quarter of 2021 the system

violated the maximum contaminant level for combined radium 226 and 228 with a RAA of 41 pCi/L and the maximum contaminant level for gross alpha with a RAA

of 85 pCi/L. ETT Point Value = 5

2 Date: 02/11/2022 (1826904)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation:

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

Description: COMB RAD MCL 4Q2021 - During the 4th quarter of 2021 the system violated the

maximum contaminant level for combined radium 226 and 228 with a RAA of 42

pCi/L. ETT Point Value = 5

3 Date: 02/23/2022 (1826904)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation:

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

Description: GA MCL 4Q2021 - During the 4th quarter of 2021 the system violated the

maximum contaminant level for gross alpha with a RAA of 82 pCi/L. ETT Point

Value = 0 Tracking No. 817229

4 Date: 06/22/2022 (1826904)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation:

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

Description: COMB RAD and GA MCL 1Q2022 - During the 1st quarter of 2022 the system

violated the maximum contaminant level for combined radium 226 and 228 with a RAA of 42 pCi/L and the maximum contaminant level for gross alpha with a RAA

of 82 pCi/L. ETT Point Value = 5

Appendix B

All Investigations Conducted During Component Period December 06, 2018 and December 06, 2023

Item 1*	October 13, 2020**	(1670623)
Item 2	July 13, 2022**	(1826904)
Item 3	July 15, 2022**	(1828466)
Item 4	August 29, 2023**	(1905044)

^{*} No violations documented during this investigation

^{*} NOVs applicable for the Compliance History rating period 9/1/2018 to 8/31/2023

^{**}Investigation applicable for the Compliance History Rating period between 09/01/2018 and 08/31/2023.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	§	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
CSWR-TEXAS UTILITY OPERATING	§	TEAAS COMMISSION ON
COMPANY, LLC	§	
RN101182830	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2022-0894-PWS-E

On	, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the
Commission" or	"TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement
action regarding	CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC (the "Respondent") under the
authority of Tex.	HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 341. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the
ENFORCEMENT I	Division, and the Respondent presented this Order to the Commission.

The Respondent understands that they have 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 County Road 137 and King Plaza in Burnet, Burnet County, Texas (the "Facility"). The Facility provides water for human consumption, has approximately 37 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 for the Facility conducted on June 20, 2022 through July 15, 2022, an investigator documented that the running annual average concentrations for gross alpha particle activity were 85 picoCuries per liter ("pCi/L") for the third quarter of 2021, 82 pCi/L for the fourth quarter of 2021, and 82 pCi/L for the first quarter of 2022, and for combined radium-226 and radium-228 were 41 pCi/L for the third quarter of 2021, 42 pCi/L for the fourth quarter of 2021, and 42 pCi/L for the first quarter of 2022.

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 and 5 pCi/L for combined radium-226 and radium-228 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 \$5,000 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 \$5,000 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: CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC, Docket No. 2022-0894-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 alternate 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 and combined radium-226 and radium-228 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 and combined radium-226 and radium-228.
- d. Within 1,095 days after the effective date of this Order, return to compliance with the MCL for gross alpha particle activity and combined radium-226 and radium-228 based on a 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:

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

with a copy to:

Drinking Water Special Functions Section Manager Water Supply Division, MC 155 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC DOCKET NO. 2022-0894-PWS-E Page 4

P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

- 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 Enforcement Division 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, 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
(m)	3/22/2024
For the Executive Director	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	Date	
Josiah Cox	President	
Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC	Title	

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