Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 63278 Undine Texas, LLC RN102684149 Docket No. 2022-1480-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:

Yes

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Smetana Forest, 3211 McDonald Avenue near Bryan, Brazos 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: May 19, 2023

Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$3,525

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$3,525 **Total Due to General Revenue:** \$0

Payment Plan: N/A

Compliance History Classifications:

Person/CN - Unclassified

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: September 26, 2022 through October 7, 2022

Date(s) of NOE(s): October 7, 2022

Violation Information

Failed to comply with the maximum contaminant level of 0.080 milligrams per liter for total trihalomethanes based on the locational running annual average [30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 290.115(f)(1) and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 341.0315(c)].

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Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

N/A

Technical Requirements:

The Order will require the Respondent to:

- a. Within 365 days, return to compliance with the maximum contaminant level for total trihalomethanes based on the locational running annual average; and
- b. Within 380 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with a.

Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Miles Wehner, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 5, MC 219, (512) 239-2813; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

Respondent: Edward R. Wallace, President, Undine Texas, LLC, 17681 Telge Road, Cypress, Texas 77429-7080

William Thomas, Senior Vice President, Undine Texas, LLC, 17681 Telge Road, Cypress,

Texas 77429-7080

Respondent's Attorney: N/A



Estimated Cost of Compliance

OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE
Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7

Notes

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PAYABLE PENALTY

DEFERRAL

STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT

Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage.

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DATES	Assigned							
	PCW	19-Oct-2022	Screening 2	1-Oct-2022	EPA Due	31-Dec-2022		
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		2022-1480-PWS				Order Type		
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	Multi-Media				Enf.	. Coordinator		
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	Compliance His	story		41.0%	Adjustment	Subto	tals 2, 3, & 7	\$1,025
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Final Subtotal

Final Penalty Amount

Final Assessed Penalty

Reduction

0.0%

0.0%

No deferral is recommended for Findings Orders.

Adjustment

Adjustment

\$3,525

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\$3,525

\$0

\$0

PCW Revision February 11, 2021

Screening Date 21-Oct-2022 **Respondent** Undine Texas, LLC

Case ID No. 63278

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102684149

Media Public Water Supply

Enf. Coordinator Daniel Brill

Compliance History Worksheet

>> Compliance Histor	y <i>Site</i> Enhancement ((Subtotal 2)
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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>)	3	15%
	Other written NOVs	1	2%
	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	1	25%
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)	1	-1%
Addits	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%

	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%
5 5.7.5.		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) 41%

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

N/A

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3) 0%

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

Unclassified

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7)

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance **History** Notes

Enhancement for three NOVs with the same/similar violations, one NOV with dissimilar violations, and one agreed order without a denial of liability. Reduction for one Notice of Intent to conduct an audit.

Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7)

>> Final Compliance History Adjustment

Final Adjustment Percentage *capped at 100%

41%

	E	conomic	Benefit	Woi	rksheet		
Respondent	Undine Texas,	LLC					
Case ID No.							
Reg. Ent. Reference No.)					
	Public Water S						Years of
Violation No.		ларрту				Percent Interest	Depreciation
						5.0	15
	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
Item Description		•					
20011 2 0001 19 01011							
Delayed Costs							
Equipment		1		0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$5,000	31-Mar-2022	28-Jun-2024	2.25	\$37	\$749	\$786
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)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
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Notes for DELAYED costs	necessary cor		•			HM, calculated from	the last day of
		the first quart	er of noncompl	iance to	the estimated dat	e of compliance.	
Avoided Costs	ANNU	ALIZE avoided co	osts before en	terina	item (except for	one-time avoide	d 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							
Notes for Avoided costs							
Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$5,000			TOTAL		\$786
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Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN605397827, RN102684149, Rating Year 2022 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2017, through August 31, 2022.

Customer, Respondent, CN605397827, Undine Texas, LLC Classification: UNCLASSIFIED Rating: -----

or Owner/Operator:

Regulated Entity: RN102684149, SMETANA FOREST Classification: NOT APPLICABLE Rating: N/A

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

CH Group: 14 - Other

Location: 3211 MCDONALD AVENUE NEAR BRYAN, BRAZOS COUNTY, TEXAS

TCEQ Region: REGION 09 - WACO

ID Number(s):

PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM/SUPPLY REGISTRATION

0210010

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2017 to August 31, 2022 Rating Year: 2022 Rating Date: 09/01/2022

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: January 19, 2023

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: January 19, 2018 to January 19, 2023

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

Name: Daniel Brill Phone: (512) 239-2564

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? YES

3) Who is the current owner/operator?

Undine Texas, LLC OWNER since 11/16/2020

4) Who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? Nerro Supply, LLC, OWNER, 9/23/2015 to 11/15/2020

Components (Multimedia) for the Site Are Listed in Sections A - J

A. Final Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees:

1 Effective Date: 02/03/2020 ADMINORDER 2019-0683-PWS-E (Findings Order-Agreed Order Without Denial)

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.115(f)(1)

5A THSC Chapter 341, SubChapter A 341.0315(c)

Description: TTHM LRAA MCL 1Q2019 - During the 1st quarter of 2019 the system violated the maximum contaminant

level for trihalomethanes with a LRAA of 0.099 mg/L at 3306 McDonald, Bryan (DBP2-01).

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.115(f)(1)

5A THSC Chapter 341, SubChapter A 341.0315(c)

Description: TTHM LRAA MCL 4Q2018 - During the 4th quarter of 2018 the system violated the maximum contaminant

level for trihalomethanes with a LRAA of 0.121 mg/L at 3306 McDonald, Bryan (DBP2-01).

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.115(f)(1)

5A THSC Chapter 341, SubChapter A 341.0315(c)

Description: TTHM LRAA MCL 3Q2018 - During the 3rd quarter of 2018 the system violated the maximum contaminant

level for trihalomethanes with a LRAA of 0.096 mg/L at 3306 McDonald, Bryan (DBP2-01).

B. Criminal convictions:

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

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

Item 1 September 11, 2018 (1513018)

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: 04/12/2022 (1847107)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.115(f)(1)

Description: TTHM LRAA MCL 1Q2022 - During the 1st quarter of 2022 the system violated

the maximum contaminant level for trihalomethanes with a LRAA of 0.090 mg/L

at 3306 McDonald Ave, Bryan (DBP2-01). ETT Point Value = 5

2 Date: 06/14/2022 (1847107)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.115(f)(1)

Description: TTHM LRAA MCL 2Q2022 – During the 2nd quarter of 2022 the system violated

the maximum contaminant level for trihalomethanes with a LRAA of 0.091 mg/L

at 3306 McDonald Ave, Bryan (DBP2-01). ETT Point Value = 5

3 Date: 09/09/2022 (1838600)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

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

Description: Failure to have secondary containment facilities for hypochlorite solution. As

required by §290.42(f)(1)(E)(ii)(I), containment facilities for a single container or

for multiple interconnected containers must be large enough to hold the

maximum amount of chemical that can be stored with a minimum freeboard of six vertical inches or to hold 110% of the total volume of the container(s), whichever

is less.

4 Date: 09/22/2022 (1847107)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter F 290.115(f)(1)

Description: TTHM LRAA MCL 3Q2022 – During the 3rd quarter of 2022 the system violated

the maximum contaminant level for trihalomethanes with a LRAA of 0.114 mg/L

at 3306 McDonald Ave, Bryan (DBP2-01). ETT Point Value = 5

F. Environmental audits:

Notice of Intent Date: 07/06/2020 (1665963)

No DOV Associated

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

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	§	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
UNDINE TEXAS, LLC	§	
RN102684149	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2022-1480-PWS-E

On	, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the
Commission" or "TCEQ") (considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement
action regarding Undine T	Texas, LLC (the "Respondent") under the authority of Tex. HEALTH &
SAFETY CODE ch. 341. The	Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division,
and the Respondent prese	ented 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 3211 McDonald Avenue near Bryan, Brazos County, Texas (the "Facility"). The Facility provides water for human consumption, has approximately 50 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 September 26, 2022 through October 7, 2022, an investigator documented that the locational running annual average concentrations of total trihalomethanes ("TTHM") for Stage 2 Disinfection Byproducts ("DBP2") at Site 1 were 0.090 mg/L for the first quarter of 2022, 0.091 mg/L for the second quarter of 2022, and 0.114 mg/L for the third 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 0.080 mg/L for TTHM, based on the locational running annual average, in violation of 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 290.115(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 \$3,525 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 Respondent paid the \$3,525 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: Undine Texas, LLC, Docket No. 2022-1480-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 365 days after the effective date of this Order, return to compliance with the MCL for TTHM, based on the locational running annual average, in accordance with 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 290.115.
 - b. Within 380 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:

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 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

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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
For the Executive Director	<u>7/5/2023</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

William A Thomas

Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of Undine Texas, LLC Title

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