

Vander Gold

From: PUBCOMMENT-OCC
Sent: Monday, December 19, 2022 9:46 AM
To: PUBCOMMENT-WQ; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC
Subject: FW: Sen-Elect Middleton Letter Requesting Reconsideration
Attachments: Sen-Elect Middleton Letter Requesting Reconsideration.pdf

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From: Laurie Gharis <Laurie.Gharis@tceq.texas.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 16, 2022 5:09 PM
To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov>
Cc: Deornette Monteleone <Deornette.Monteleone@tceq.texas.gov>
Subject: FW: Sen-Elect Middleton Letter Requesting Reconsideration

Laurie Gharis
Office of the Chief Clerk
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Office Phone: 512-239-1835
Cell Phone: 512-739-4582

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From: Andrew Herrell <Andrew.Herrell@house.texas.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 16, 2022 4:58 PM
To: Laurie Gharis <Laurie.Gharis@tceq.texas.gov>
Cc: Jennifer Jamison <Jennifer.Jamison@tceq.texas.gov>; Ferrell Fields <Ferrell.Fields@tceq.texas.gov>
Subject: Sen-Elect Middleton Letter Requesting Reconsideration

Attached is a letter from Senator-Elect Middleton requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision regarding Undine Texas Environmental, LLC Permit No. WQ0016046001. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Best,

Andrew Herrell
Chief of Staff
Rep. Middleton (HD-23)
O: 512-463-0502
C: 817-812-9908



MAYES MIDDLETON



STATE REPRESENTATIVE • DISTRICT 23

December 16, 2022

Laurie Gharis
Office of the Chief Clerk
TCEQ, MC 105
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3807

RE: Request for Reconsideration of the Executive Director's Decision regarding Undine Texas Environmental, LLC-TPDES Permit No. WQ0016046001

Chief Clerk Gharis:

I am contacting you to formally request reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision on Permit No. WQ0016046001.

Many Brazoria County residents have voiced concerns about the impacts that introducing treated effluent into Bastrop Bayou will have on aquatic life and the community's ability to continue use of the Bayou. Serious concerns have been raised regarding Undine's history with other systems under their control experiencing waste water overflows and unauthorized discharges.

Undine Texas Environmental, LLC has not proven themselves to be a company that cares about community impact, nor have they resolved issues that continue to plague other systems under their control. The application submitted by Undine Texas Environmental, LLC should be denied. I ask that the Executive Director's decision on Permit No. WQ0016046001 be reconsidered.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mayes Middleton".

Mayes Middleton
Texas State Representative
House District 23

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Debbie Zachary

From: PUBCOMMENT-OCC
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2022 9:37 AM
To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ
Cc: Laurie Gharis; Deornette Monteleone
Subject: FW: Rep Middleton Letter of Opposition to Permit
Attachments: TCEQ_Permit_Opposition.pdf

From: Laurie Gharis <Laurie.Gharis@tceq.texas.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2022 8:37 AM
To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov>
Subject: FW: Rep Middleton Letter of Opposition to Permit

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From: Lorenzo Danielson <Lorenzo.Danielson@tceq.texas.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2022 8:35 AM
To: Laurie Gharis <Laurie.Gharis@tceq.texas.gov>; Robert Sadlier <Robert.Sadlier@tceq.texas.gov>; Erika Crespo <Erika.Crespo@tceq.texas.gov>
Cc: Dennise Braeutigam <Dennise.Braeutigam@tceq.texas.gov>
Subject: FW: Rep Middleton Letter of Opposition to Permit

Hi Laurie—Please see the attached letter from Rep. Middleton.

Thank you

Lorenzo Danielson, JD
Legislative Liaison
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
512-963-9730

From: Andrew Herrell <Andrew.Herrell@house.texas.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2022 8:04 AM
To: Lorenzo Danielson <Lorenzo.Danielson@tceq.texas.gov>
Subject: Rep Middleton Letter of Opposition to Permit

Lorenzo,

Can you ensure that the attached letter of opposition gets to Laurie Gharis?

Thank you,

Andrew Herrell

Chief of Staff

Rep. Mayes Middleton (HD-23)

O: (512) 463-0502

C: (817) 812-9908



MAYES MIDDLETON



STATE REPRESENTATIVE • DISTRICT 23

August 16, 2022

Laurie Gharis
Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
PO Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

RE: TPDES Permit No. WQ0016046001

Chief Clerk Gharis:

I am writing to you today in opposition to TPDES Proposed Permit No. WQ0016046001. The permit is for the discharge of up to 250,000 gallons of treated effluent per day and will materially impair the use of Bastrop Bayou for fishing, recreation, and drainage. A greater discharge upstream will naturally result in an increase in silting downstream, negatively impacting the bayou. Additionally, the permit is opposed by the entirety of the Brazoria County Commissioner's Court and the Mayors of Angleton and Richwood.

Due to the overwhelming opposition by locally elected officials, the opposition heard during the public hearing on July 28th, and the harm the proposed permit will cause the Bastrop Bayou, I oppose the proposed permit. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mayes Middleton", written in a cursive style.

Mayes Middleton
Texas State Representative
House District 23

Vander Gold

From: PUBCOMMENT-OCC
Sent: Friday, December 16, 2022 9:18 AM
To: PUBCOMMENT-WQ; Laurie Gharis; Deornette Monteleone; PUBCOMMENT-ELD;
PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC
Subject: FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016046001
Attachments: TCEQ.pdf

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Cc'ing Laurie and Dee as legislative correspondence is attached.

From: cody.vasut@house.texas.gov <cody.vasut@house.texas.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 15, 2022 3:59 PM
To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov>
Subject: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016046001

REGULATED ENTY NAME RESERVE AT ANGLETON WWTP

RN NUMBER: RN111343471

PERMIT NUMBER: WQ0016046001

DOCKET NUMBER:

COUNTY: BRAZORIA

PRINCIPAL NAME: UNDINE TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL LLC

CN NUMBER: CN604519330

FROM

NAME: Cody Vasut

EMAIL: cody.vasut@house.texas.gov

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 222 N VELASCO ST Suite 25
ANGLETON TX 77515-4566

PHONE: 9798481770

FAX:

COMMENTS: Please see attached letter from Representatives Cody Vasut and Ed Thompson.



CODY THANE VASUT



TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
District 25

Sent via email: www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/decisions/cc/comments.html

December 15, 2022

Laurie Gharis, Chief Clerk
TCEQ, MC-105
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

RE: Reconsideration Request of the Executive Director's Decision regarding Undine Texas Environmental, LLC-TPDES Permit No. WQ0016046001

Dear Chief Clerk Gharis,

Please accept this letter on behalf of myself, Rep. Cody Vasut, and Rep. Ed Thompson asking for a request of reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision.

We believe this application submitted by Undine Texas Environmental, LLC should be denied due to their ongoing history of fines and inefficiencies of how they handle their water systems at other locations, such as Demi John in Freeport and one located at Bolivar Peninsula in Galveston.

On page 16 of the Executive Director's Response to Public Comment, he concluded the receiving water would not be negatively impacted by the treated effluent and would not change the ecosystem in Bastrop Bayou. No matter what, accidents happen due to human error and equipment failure. What happens to the aquatic life, possible health concerns, and vegetation and who will be held responsible for an environmental incident? Who would be responsible for the damages and cleanup?



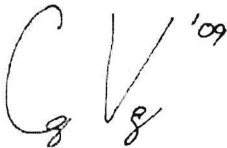
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We have heard from our constituents about their concerns and hope the Executive Director will research Undine's past history of fines, etc. At the hearing, Udine Texas Environmental representatives were uninformed when answering questions from the residents and were also very unconcerned at the public hearing. These actions do not represent a company who cares about "doing the right thing."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ed Thompson', followed by a long horizontal line.

Rep. Ed Thompson-HD 29
2205 Broadway
Pearland, TX 77581
281-485-3373
ed.thompson@house.texas.gov

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cody Vasut', with a small '09' written above the end of the signature.

Rep. Cody Vasut-HD 25
222 No. Velasco St.
Angleton, TX 77515
979-848-1770
cody.vasut@house.texas.gov

Vander Gold

From: PUBCOMMENT-OCC
Sent: Friday, December 16, 2022 9:19 AM
To: PUBCOMMENT-WQ; Laurie Gharis; Deornette Monteleone; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC
Subject: FW: Letter requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director - Undine Texas Environmental-TPDES Permit No. WQ0016046001
Attachments: TCEQ.pdf

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From: CHIEFCLK <chiefclk@tceq.texas.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 15, 2022 4:15 PM
To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov>
Cc: Laurie Gharis <Laurie.Gharis@tceq.texas.gov>; Deornette Monteleone <Deornette.Monteleone@tceq.texas.gov>
Subject: FW: Letter requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director - Undine Texas Environmental-TPDES Permit No. WQ0016046001
Importance: High

From: Nancy Wollam <Nancy.Wollam@house.texas.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 15, 2022 3:19 PM
To: CHIEFCLK <chiefclk@tceq.texas.gov>
Subject: RE: Letter requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director - Undine Texas Environmental-TPDES Permit No. WQ0016046001
Importance: High

Dear Chief Clerk Gharis,

Please find attached a letter from both Rep. Ed Thompson and Rep. Cody Vasut requesting a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision for Undine Texas Environmental-TPDES Permit No. WQ001604600.

If you should have any further questions, please contact our District Office at 979-848-1770.

Regards,

Nancy Wollam
District Director
Office of St. Rep. Cody Vasut-HD 25
222 No. Velasco St., Suite 25
Angleton, TX 77515
Office: 979-848-1770
Email: nancy.wollam@house.texas.gov



CODY THANE VASUT



TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

District 25

Sent via email: www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/decisions/cc/comments.html

December 15, 2022

Laurie Gharis, Chief Clerk
TCEQ, MC-105
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

RE: Reconsideration Request of the Executive Director's Decision regarding Undine Texas Environmental, LLC-TPDES Permit No. WQ0016046001

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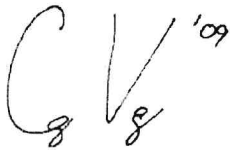
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Rep. Cody Vasut-HD 25
222 No. Velasco St.
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979-848-1770
cody.vasut@house.texas.gov



STATE REPRESENTATIVE
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DISTRICT 29
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August 15, 2022

Ms. Laurie Gharis
Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105
TCEQ
PO Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

RE: TPDES Permit No. WQ0016046001

Chief Clerk Gharis:

I am writing to you today in opposition to TPDES Proposed Permit No. WQ0016046001. Many of my constituents in the affected area have contacted my office to register their opposition to the proposed permit and because of the overwhelming opposition made apparent during the public hearing on July 28th, I am opposing this proposed permit.

I look forward to your timely response. Thank you for your taking my opposition into consideration and for your service to the State of Texas. Please contact my office at 512-463-0707 or ed.thompson@house.texas.gov with any questions.

Best Regards,



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TCEQ Public Meeting Form
July 28, 2022

Undine Texas Environmental, LLC
New TPDES Permit for Municipal Wastewater
Permit No. WQ0016046001

PLEASE PRINT

Name: Representative Cody Thane Vasut

Mailing Address: PO Box 2910

Physical Address (if different): _____

City/State: Austin TX Zip: 78768

****This information is subject to public disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act****

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

- Are you here today representing a municipality, legislator, agency, or group? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which one? TX legislator

☐ Please add me to the mailing list.

☐ I wish to provide formal *ORAL COMMENTS* at tonight's public meeting.

☒ I wish to provide formal *WRITTEN COMMENTS* at tonight's public meeting.

(Written comments may be submitted at any time during the meeting)
Please give this form to the person at the information table. Thank you.



CODY THANE VASUT



TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

District 25

July 26, 2022

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Office of the Chief Clerk
MC-105
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

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AT PUBLIC MEETING

Re: Opposition to pending application of permit number WQ0016046001 for Undine Texas Environmental, LLC

Dear Chief Clerk Gharis,

I have the honor to represent the residents of the Bastrop Bayou watershed in the Texas House of Representatives.

I thank you for granting my request for a public meeting on the pending application of permit number WQ0016046001 to discharge up to 250,000 gallons of treated effluent per day into Bastrop Bayou near CR 220 and CR 288.

I apologize that I could not testify in person this evening, as I am currently in Spain for a pre-scheduled trip for my 10-year anniversary. Please accept this as my written testimony.

I stand this evening with the residents of the Bastrop Bayou watershed in their opposition to this project.

I am a fifth-generation resident of southern Brazoria County. For almost 100 years, my family, like other families in this area, have had the opportunity to use Bastrop Bayou for fishing and recreation.

As I have heard from my constituents, and you will hear this evening, the discharge of up to 250,000 gallons of treated effluent per day from this project will materially impair the use of Bastrop Bayou for fishing, recreation, and drainage.



CAPITOL: P.O. BOX 2910 • AUSTIN, TEXAS 78768-2910 • phone (512) 463-0564

DISTRICT: 222 NORTH VELASCO STREET, SUITE 25 • ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515 • phone (979) 848-1770

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TCEQ Chief Clerk

Permit # WQ0016046001 for Undine

A greater discharge upstream will naturally result in an increase in silting downstream. The lower reaches of the bayou have already experienced substantial silting, which has impaired fishing, recreation and drainage in the area. The bayou is also a delicate eco-system, fluctuating between fresh and brackish water. An increase in the discharge of fresh water upstream threatens to disrupt that delicate balance in salinity.

It is my understanding that there are other alternatives for this development to discharge effluent on site rather than into Bastrop Bayou. I urge you to require those other alternatives to be pursued and to deny this permit application to protect pre-existing uses of Bastrop Bayou by the good citizens of my district.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Vasut' with a date '09' at the end.

Cody T. Vasut
House Representative District 25

Lori Rowe

From: PUBCOMMENT-OCC
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 2:48 PM
To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ
Cc: Laurie Gharis; Deornette Monteleone
Subject: FW: Public Meeting Request for Permit No. WQ0016046001
Attachments: TCEQ Public Meeting Request.docx
Importance: High

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PM

From: Laurie Gharis <Laurie.Gharis@tceq.texas.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 2:46 PM
To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov>
Cc: Brad Patterson <Brad.Patterson@tceq.texas.gov>; Ferrell Fields <Ferrell.Fields@tceq.texas.gov>
Subject: FW: Public Meeting Request for Permit No. WQ0016046001
Importance: High

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From: Nancy Wollam <Nancy.Wollam@house.texas.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 1:48 PM
To: Laurie Gharis <Laurie.Gharis@tceq.texas.gov>
Cc: Josh Amador <Josh.Amador@Tceq.Texas.Gov>
Subject: Public Meeting Request for Permit No. WQ0016046001
Importance: High

Hi Laurie,

Attached is a letter from Rep. Cody Vasut requesting a public meeting for Permit No. WQ001604600. Please let me know if you need anything else from me or have any questions,

Kind regards,

Nancy Wollam
District Director
Office of St. Rep. Cody Vasut-HD 25
222 No. Velasco St., Suite 25

Angleton, TX 77515
Office: 979-848-1770
Email: nancy.wollam@house.texas.gov



CODY VASUT



TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

District 25

April 13, 2022

Laurie Gharis
Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105
TCEQ
PO Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

RE: TPDES Permit No. WQ0016046001 For Municipal Wastewater Public Meeting Request

Dear Chief Clerk Gharis:

As State Representative of House District 25, covering southern Brazoria County, I am requesting a public meeting regarding Permit No. WQ0016046001 to learn more about the application, ask questions of the applicant and provide the public in our district ample opportunity to submit comments on the application from Undine Texas Environmental, LLC. I understand the permit is for a new Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, to authorize the discharge of treated domestic wastewater in Bastrop Bayou for a trailer park.

Many of the residents on Bastrop Bayou have significant concerns regarding this permit application and the potential impacts on the salinity regime of this brackish water system, and as a result, impacts any changes in salinity will have on aquatic species within the bayou.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 979-848-1770.

Cody Thane Vasut
House Representative District 25

