

**Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 63977**  
**Cayuga Independent School District**  
**RN101527331**  
**Docket No. 2023-0610-MWD-E**

**Order Type:**

1660 Agreed Order

**Findings Order Justification:**

N/A

**Media:**

MWD

**Small Business:**

No

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

Cayuga ISD, 17750 North U.S. Highway 287, Cayuga, Anderson County

**Type of Operation:**

Wastewater treatment facility

**Other Significant Matters:**

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Past-Due Fees: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

**Texas Register Publication Date:** August 1, 2025

**Comments Received:** No

***Penalty Information***

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$14,250

**Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement:** \$2,850

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

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

Payment Plan: N/A

**Supplemental Environmental Project (“SEP”) Conditional Offset:** \$11,400

Name of SEP: WWTF Improvements (Compliance)

**Compliance History Classifications:**

Person/CN - Satisfactory

Site/RN - Satisfactory

**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 28, 2023

**Date(s) of NOE(s):** April 21, 2023

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***Violation Information***

Failed to comply with permitted effluent limitations for dissolved oxygen, total suspended solids, *Escherichia coli*, total chlorine residual, and biochemical oxygen demand (5-day) [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 305.125(1), TEX. WATER CODE § 26.121(a)(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (“TPDES”) Permit No. WQ0013574001, Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements Nos. 1, 2, and 6

***Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements***

**Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

By December 31, 2023, the Respondent implemented corrective measures at the Facility and achieved compliance with all permitted effluent limitations in TPDES Permit No. WQ0013574001.

**Technical Requirements:**

The Order will require the Respondent to implement and complete a SEP (see SEP Attachment A).

***Contact Information***

**TCEQ Attorney:** N/A

**TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Taylor Williamson, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 1, MC R-12, (512) 239-2097; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

**TCEQ SEP Coordinator:** Adena Crider, Litigation Division, MC 219, (512) 239-0648

**Respondent:** Joe Satterwhite III, Superintendent, Cayuga Independent School District, P.O. Box 427, Cayuga, Texas 75832

**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>	1-May-2023	<b>Screening</b>	8-May-2023	<b>EPA Due</b>	
	<b>PCW</b>	19-May-2023				

## RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION

<b>Respondent</b>	Cayuga Independent School District
<b>Reg. Ent. Ref. No.</b>	RN101527331
<b>Facility/Site Region</b>	5-Tyler
<b>Major/Minor Source</b>	Minor

## CASE INFORMATION

<b>Enf./Case ID No.</b>	63977	<b>No. of Violations</b>	1
<b>Docket No.</b>	2023-0610-MWD-E	<b>Order Type</b>	1660
<b>Media Program(s)</b>	Water Quality	<b>Government/Non-Profit</b>	Yes
<b>Multi-Media</b>		<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	Taylor Williamson
		<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>	\$15,000
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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>	5.0%	<b>Adjustment</b>	<b>Subtotals 2, 3, &amp; 7</b>	\$750
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Notes Enhancement for one month of self-reported effluent violations.

<b>Culpability</b>	No	0.0%	<b>Enhancement</b>	<b>Subtotal 4</b>	\$0
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Notes The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.

<b>Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments</b>	<b>Subtotal 5</b>	-\$1,500
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<b>Economic Benefit</b>	0.0%	<b>Enhancement*</b>	<b>Subtotal 6</b>	\$0
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Total EB Amounts \$1,379  
Estimated Cost of Compliance \$15,000  
\*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

<b>SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7</b>	<b>Final Subtotal</b>	\$14,250
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<b>OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE</b>	0.0%	<b>Adjustment</b>	\$0
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Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

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<b>Final Penalty Amount</b>	\$14,250
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<b>STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT</b>	<b>Final Assessed Penalty</b>	\$14,250
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<b>DEFERRAL</b>	20.0%	<b>Reduction</b>	<b>Adjustment</b>	-\$2,850
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Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage.

Notes

Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

<b>PAYABLE PENALTY</b>	\$11,400
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<b>Screening Date</b>	8-May-2023	<b>Docket No.</b>	2023-0610-MWD-E	<b>PCW</b>
<b>Respondent</b>	Cayuga Independent School District			<i>Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)</i>
<b>Case ID No.</b>	63977			<i>PCW Revision February 11, 2021</i>
<b>Reg. Ent. Reference No.</b>	RN101527331			
<b>Media</b>	Water Quality			
<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	Taylor Williamson			

## 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> )	1	5%
	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)** 5%

### >> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

No

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

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

Satisfactory Performer

**Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7)** 0%

### >> Compliance History Summary

**Compliance History Notes**

Enhancement for one month of self-reported effluent violations.

**Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7)** 5%

### >> Final Compliance History Adjustment

**Final Adjustment Percentage \*capped at 100%** 5%

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<b>Case ID No.</b>	63977	PCW Revision February 11, 2021		
<b>Reg. Ent. Reference No.</b>	RN101527331			
<b>Media</b>	Water Quality			
<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	Taylor Williamson			
<b>Violation Number</b>	1			
<b>Rule Cite(s)</b>	30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.125(1), Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. WQ0013574001, Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements Nos. 1, 2, and 6			
<b>Violation Description</b>	Failed to comply with permitted effluent limitations, as shown in the attached effluent violation table.			
		<b>Base Penalty</b>	\$25,000	

  

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

<b>OR</b>		<b>Harm</b>			
	<b>Release</b>	Major	Moderate	Minor	
	Actual			x	
	Potential				<b>Percent</b> 15.0%

  

**>> Programmatic Matrix**

<b>Matrix Notes</b>		<b>Falsification</b>			
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
					<b>Percent</b> 0.0%
A simplified model was used to evaluate biochemical oxygen demand (5-day) to determine whether the discharged amount of pollutants exceeded levels protective of human health and the environment. Escherichia coli, total suspended solids, dissolved oxygen, and total chlorine residual were also considered. Human health or the environment has been exposed to insignificant amounts of pollutants which do not exceed levels that are protective of human health or environmental receptors as a result of the violation.					
					<b>Adjustment</b> \$21,250

\$3,750

  

**Violation Events**

Number of Violation Events	4	272	Number of violation days
	daily		
	weekly		
	monthly		
	quarterly	x	
	semiannual		
	annual		
	single event		
<b>Violation Base Penalty</b> \$15,000			
Four quarterly events are recommended for the quarters containing the months of February, April, May, June, August, September, October, November, and December 2022.			

  

**Good Faith Efforts to Comply**

	<b>10.0%</b>		<b>Reduction</b> \$1,500
	Before NOE/NOV	NOE/NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer	
Extraordinary			
Ordinary		x	
N/A			
Notes	The Respondent achieved compliance by December 31, 2023.		
			<b>Violation Subtotal</b> \$13,500

  

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

	<b>Statutory Limit Test</b>
<b>Estimated EB Amount</b>	<b>Violation Final Penalty Total</b>
\$1,379	\$14,250
<b>This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)</b> \$14,250	

# Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** Cayuga Independent School District  
**Case ID No.** 63977  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN101527331  
**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)	\$15,000	28-Feb-2022	31-Dec-2023	1.84	\$1,379	n/a	\$1,379
Notes for DELAYED costs Estimated cost to determine the cause of noncompliance and make any necessary repairs/adjustments to the Facility to return to compliance with the permitted effluent limitations. Date required is the end date of the first month of noncompliance, 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 \$15,000

**TOTAL** \$1,379

Cayuga Independent School District  
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TPDES Permit No. WQ0013574001

Effluent Violation Table

Monitoring Period	Dissolved Oxygen Monthly Minimum Conc. Limit = 2.0 mg/L	BOD (5-day) Daily Average Conc. Limit = 20 mg/L	BOD (5-day) Single Grab Conc. Limit = 65 mg/L	Total Chlorine Residual Monthly Minimum Conc. Limit = 1.0 mg/L	Total Suspended Solids Daily Average Conc. Limit = 20 mg/L	<i>Escherichia coli</i> Daily Average Conc. Limit = 126 CFU/100 mL
February 2022	1.7	c	c	c	c	c
April 2022	c	c	c	c	20.6	c
May 2022	c	c	c	c	26.9	c
June 2022	c	25.5	75.5	c	c	c
August 2022	1.7	c	c	0.2	c	c
September 2022	1.7	29.2	c	c	26	c
October 2022	c	c	c	c	27.2	c
November 2022	c	32.6	c	c	35.3	c
December 2022	c	c	c	c	c	189

Conc. = concentration

BOD (5-day) = biochemical oxygen demand (5-day)

mg/L = milligrams per liter

CFU/100 mL = colony forming units per 100 milliliters

c = compliant



# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN600800890, RN101527331, Rating Year 2023 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2018, through August 31, 2023.

**Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator:** CN600800890, Cayuga Independent School District  
**Regulated Entity:** RN101527331, CAYUGA ISD  
**Complexity Points:** 4  
**CH Group:** 14 - Other  
**Location:** 17750 NORTH UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 287 IN ANDERSON COUNTY, TEXAS 75861  
**TCEQ Region:** REGION 05 - TYLER  
**ID Number(s):**  
**WASTEWATER PERMIT** WQ0013574001 **WASTEWATER EPA ID** TX0111520  
**Classification:** SATISFACTORY **Rating:** 1.78  
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**Repeat Violator:** NO  
**Compliance History Period:** September 01, 2018 to August 31, 2023 **Rating Year:** 2023 **Rating Date:** 09/01/2023  
**Date Compliance History Report Prepared:** March 28, 2024  
**Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:** Enforcement  
**Component Period Selected:** March 28, 2019 to March 28, 2024  
**TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.**  
**Name:** Taylor Williamson **Phone:** (512) 239-2097

## 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	April 18, 2019	(1573407)	Item 14	June 16, 2020	(1668174)
Item 2	May 15, 2019	(1586410)	Item 15	June 18, 2020	(1645000)
Item 3	June 17, 2019	(1586411)	Item 16	July 14, 2020	(1675120)
Item 4	July 15, 2019	(1594749)	Item 17	August 12, 2020	(1681888)
Item 5	September 16, 2019	(1601051)	Item 18	September 10, 2020	(1688465)
Item 6	October 09, 2019	(1614831)	Item 19	October 16, 2020	(1694826)
Item 7	November 19, 2019	(1620620)	Item 20	November 16, 2020	(1717063)
Item 8	December 12, 2019	(1627968)	Item 21	December 11, 2020	(1717064)
Item 9	January 10, 2020	(1635596)	Item 22	January 20, 2021	(1717065)
Item 10	February 10, 2020	(1642212)	Item 23	March 01, 2021	(1730143)
Item 11	March 09, 2020	(1648724)	Item 24	March 30, 2021	(1730144)
Item 12	April 14, 2020	(1655078)	Item 25	April 19, 2021	(1730145)
			Item 26	May 17, 2021	(1742359)
Item 13	May 13, 2020	(1661638)	Item 27	June 17, 2021	(1748375)

Item 28	July 19, 2021	(1753225)	Item 39	March 10, 2023	(1900061)
Item 29	August 18, 2021	(1758628)	Item 40	April 24, 2023	(1906863)
Item 30	September 13, 2021	(1767928)	Item 41	May 17, 2023	(1914015)
Item 31	October 20, 2021	(1778488)	Item 42	June 19, 2023	(1920624)
Item 32	November 17, 2021	(1785156)	Item 43	July 11, 2023	(1927608)
Item 33	December 17, 2021	(1792191)	Item 44	August 07, 2023	(1934551)
Item 34	January 19, 2022	(1800039)	Item 45	September 11, 2023	(1940727)
Item 35	February 14, 2022	(1807871)	Item 46	November 15, 2023	(1953215)
Item 36	April 12, 2022	(1821483)	Item 47	December 19, 2023	(1963001)
Item 37	August 17, 2022	(1849976)	Item 48	January 19, 2024	(1969576)
Item 38	February 07, 2023	(1891489)			

**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:	09/30/2023	(1947528)	
	Self Report?	YES	Classification:	Moderate
	Citation:	2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a) 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)		
	Description:	Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter		

#### 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

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN  
ENFORCEMENT ACTION  
CONCERNING  
CAYUGA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL  
DISTRICT  
RN101527331

§ BEFORE THE  
§  
§ TEXAS COMMISSION ON  
§  
§ ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

## AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2023-0610-MWD-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 Cayuga Independent School District (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 a wastewater treatment facility located at 17750 North United States Highway 287 in Anderson County, Texas (the "Facility"). The Facility is near or adjacent to water in the state as defined in TEX. WATER CODE § 26.001(5).
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 \$14,250 is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The amount of \$2,850 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 of this Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with any of the terms and conditions contained in this Order, the Executive Director may demand payment of all or part of the deferred penalty amount.

Pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 7.067, \$11,400 of the penalty shall be conditionally offset by the Respondent's timely and satisfactory completion of a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP") as defined in the attached SEP Agreement ("Attachment A", incorporated herein by reference). The Respondent's obligation to pay the conditionally offset portion of the penalty shall be discharged upon full compliance with all the terms and conditions of this Order, which includes the timely and satisfactory completion of all provisions of the SEP Agreement, as determined by the Executive Director.

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.
9. The Executive Director recognizes that by December 31, 2023, the Respondent implemented corrective measures at the Facility and achieved compliance with all permitted effluent limitations in Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. WQ0013574001.

## **II. ALLEGATIONS**

During a record review for the Facility conducted on February 28, 2023, an investigator documented that the Respondent failed to comply with permitted effluent limitations, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 305.125(1), TEX. WATER CODE § 26.121(a)(1), and TPDES Permit No. WQ0013574001, Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements Nos. 1, 2, and 6, as shown in the effluent violation table below:

Effluent Violation Table

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### 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: Cayuga Independent School District, Docket No. 2023-0610-MWD-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 implement and complete the SEP as set forth in Section I, Paragraph No. 4. The amount of \$11,400 of the assessed penalty is conditionally offset based on the Respondent's implementation and completion of the SEP pursuant to the terms of the SEP Agreement, as defined in Attachment A. Penalty payments for any portion of the SEP deemed by the Executive Director as not complete shall be paid within 30 days after the date the Executive Director demands payment.
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.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. 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

*Krista Mello-Jurach*  
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*09/07/2025*  
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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.

*Joe Satterwhite*  
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Signature

*6-24-25*  
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Date

*Joe Satterwhite*  
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Name (Printed or typed)  
Authorized Representative of  
Cayuga Independent School District

*Superintendent Cayuga ISD*  
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Title

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**Attachment A**

**Docket Number: 2023-0610-MWD-E**

**SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT**

<b>Respondent:</b>	Cayuga Independent School District
<b>Penalty Amount:</b>	\$11,400
<b>SEP Offset Amount:</b>	\$11,400
<b>Type of SEP:</b>	Compliance
<b>Project Name:</b>	<i>WWTF Improvements</i>
<b>Location of SEP:</b>	Anderson County

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (“the Commission” or “TCEQ”) agrees to offset the administrative Penalty Amount assessed in this Agreed Order in exchange for Respondent’s performance of a Supplemental Environmental Project (“SEP”).

Respondent is a Local Government that qualifies under Texas Water Code § 7.067 to apply the SEP Offset Amount set forth above to correct violations at its wastewater treatment facility (the “Facility”) which are described in this Agreed Order.

**1. Project Description**

*A. Project*

Respondent hired a contractor to purchase and install pumps, piping, and controls for the lift station at the Facility. Specifically, the SEP Offset Amount was used for materials, supplies, and equipment for pumps, piping, and controls for the lift station (the “Project”). Respondent hired qualified contractors to perform the Project. The SEP was performed in accordance with all federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations.

Respondent used the SEP Offset Amount only for the direct cost of implementing the Project, including supplies, materials, and equipment rentals, as listed below in Subsection C. Expenses. No portion of the SEP Offset Amount was spent on administrative costs, including operating costs, reporting expenses, handling of expenses, project coordination, liability, or equipment breakdowns.

Respondent’s signature affixed to the attached Agreed Order certifies that Respondent had no prior commitment to perform this Project and that the SEP was performed solely as part of the terms of settlement in this enforcement action.

*B. Environmental Benefit*

This SEP will provide a discernible environmental benefit by improving the efficacy of wastewater treatment, thereby reducing pollutants contained in its wastewater discharged into the environment. Inadequately treated effluent can carry bacteria, viruses, protozoa (parasitic organisms), helminths (intestinal worms), and bioaerosols (inhalable molds and fungi). The diseases they may cause range in severity from mild gastroenteritis to life-threatening ailments such as cholera, dysentery, infectious hepatitis, and severe gastroenteritis. Additional risks include occurrences of low dissolved oxygen, fish kills, algal bloom, and bacterial contamination in waterways.

*C. Expenses*

Respondent spent at least the SEP Offset Amount to complete the project described in Section 1.A, above, and complied with all other provisions of this SEP. Respondent understood that it may have costs more than the SEP Offset Amount to complete the Project.

**Expenses**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Total</b>
Replace Existing Lift Station Pumps, Piping, and Controls	\$29,685
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$29,685</b>

**2. Records**

As of May 9, 2024, Respondent provided TCEQ the following documentation as proof of completion of the proposed SEP:

1. An itemized list of expenditures and total cost of the Project;
2. Copies of invoices or receipts corresponding to the itemized list in paragraph 2.1., above;
3. Copies of cleared checks or payment records corresponding to the itemized list in paragraph 2.1., above;
4. A certified statement of SEP completion and document authentication;
5. Copies of engineering plans related to work performed pursuant to the Project;
6. A detailed map showing the specific location of the project site(s); and
7. Photographs of the completed Project.

**3. Additional Information and Access**

Respondent shall provide additional information as requested by TCEQ staff and shall allow immediate (i.e., within 24 hours) access to all records related to the SEP Offset Amount. Respondent shall also allow representatives of TCEQ access to the site of any work being financed in whole or in part by the SEP Offset Amount. This provision shall survive the termination of this Agreed Order.

**4. Failure to Fully Perform**

If Respondent does not perform its obligations under this Attachment A, including full expenditure of the SEP Offset Amount and submittal of the required reporting described in Sections 2 and 3 above, the Executive Director ("ED") may require immediate payment of all or part of the SEP Offset Amount as set forth in the attached Agreed Order.

In the event the ED determines that Respondent failed to fully implement and complete the Project, Respondent shall remit payment for all or a portion of the SEP Offset Amount, as determined by the ED, and as set forth in the attached Agreed Order. After receiving notice of failure to complete the SEP, Respondent shall include the docket number of the attached Agreed Order and a note that the enclosed payment is for reimbursement of a SEP, shall make the check payable to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality," and shall mail it to the SEP Coordinator at the address provided below:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Litigation Division  
Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 175  
P.O. Box 13087  
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

**5. Publicity**

Any public statements concerning this Project made by or on behalf of Respondent must include a clear statement that **the Project was performed as part of the settlement of an enforcement action brought by TCEQ**. Such statements include advertising, public relations, and press releases.

**6. Recognition**

Respondent may not seek recognition for this project in any other state or federal regulatory program.

**7. Other SEPs by TCEQ or Other Agencies**

The SEP Offset Amount identified in this Attachment A and in the attached Agreed Order has not been, and shall not be, included as a SEP for Respondent under any other Agreed Order negotiated with TCEQ or any other agency of the state or federal government.