## Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 64164 Quail Creek Municipal Utility District RN101452068 Docket No. 2023-0767-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: Quail Creek MUD, 515 Chukar Drive, Victoria, Victoria 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:** January 31, 2025 Comments Received: No

# **Penalty Information**

Total Penalty Assessed: \$1,275 Amount Deferred for Naturally Occurring Inorganic Contaminants: \$1,275 Total Paid to General Revenue: \$0 Total Due to General Revenue: \$0 Payment Plan: N/A Compliance History Classifications: Person/CN - High Site/RN - N/A 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: May 12, 2023 through June 09. 2023 Date(s) of NOE(s): June 9, 2023

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# **Violation Information**

Failed to comply with the maximum contaminant level of 0.010 milligrams per liter for arsenic based on a running annual average [30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 290.106(f)(3)(C) and Tex. HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE § 341.0315(c)].

# **Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements**

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

By May 3, 2024, the Respondent returned to compliance with the maximum contaminant level for arsenic at the Facility.

### **Technical Requirements:**

N/A

# **Contact Information**

TCEQ Attorney: N/A TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: De'Shaune Blake, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 4, MC R-13, (210) 403-4033; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548 Respondent: Rodgers Weppler, President, Quail Creek Municipal Utility District, 515 Chukar Drive, Victoria, Texas 77905-0590 Respondent's Attorney: N/A

S COMMISSION	Policy R	Pe evision 5 (January 28		Calculation	n Worksl	neet (PC	-	vision February	11, 2021
DATES	Assigned	13-Jun-2023					_		
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	Judgments and Consent	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%					
	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)	0	0%					
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		Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%					
	Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the 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%					
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>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)									
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>> Compliance History Summary									
	Compliance History Notes								
		Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (	Subtotals 2	3. & 7)	12%				
>> Fina	al Compliance	History Adjustment		-, -, -, /	12/0				
		Final Adjustment Percent	age *capped a	at 100%	12%				

#### **Compliance History Worksheet** >> Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)

Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in

Respondent Quail Creek Municipal Utility District Case ID No. 64164

the current enforcement action (number of NOVs meeting criteria)

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101452068

Media Public Water Supply

Enf. Coordinator De'Shaune Blake

Component Number of...

NOVs

Screening Date 14-Jun-2023

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021) PCW Revision February 11, 2021

Adjust.

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Land		1		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		
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# **Compliance History Report**

Compliance History Report for CN600686513, RN101452068, Rating Year 2024 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2019, through August 31, 2024.

Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator:	CN600686513, Quail Creek Municipal Utility D	istrict Classification: HIGH	Rating: 0.00
<b>Regulated Entity:</b>	RN101452068, QUAIL CREEK Municipal Utility	District Classification: NOT AP	PLICABLE <b>Rating:</b> N/A
<b>Complexity Points:</b>	N/A Re	peat Violator: N/A	
CH Group:	14 - Other	-	
Location:	515 CHUKAR DRIVE IN VICTORIA, VICTORIA	COUNTY TEXAS	
TCEQ Region:	REGION 14 - CORPUS CHRISTI		
ID Number(s): PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM/S 2350004 Compliance History Peri	<b>CUPPLY</b> REGISTRATION <b>iod:</b> September 01, 2019 to August 31, 2024	Rating Year: 2024 Rati	ing Date: 09/01/2024
Date Compliance Histor	y Report Prepared: November 18, 2024		
Agency Decision Requir	ing Compliance History: Enforcement		
Component Period Selec	cted: November 18, 2019 to November 18, 2	2024	
TCEQ Staff Member to C	Contact for Additional Information Reg	arding This Compliance Histo	ory.
Name: De'Shaune Blal	ke	Phone: (210) 403-4033	
2) Has there been a (known)	nce and/or operation for the full five-year comp change in ownership/operator of the site during edia) for the Site Are Listed in Sec	the compliance period? NO	
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B. Criminal convictions	::		

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

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

Item 1 December 08, 2021 (1775356)

#### 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.

Date: 01/	/05/2024 (1925657)		
Self Report?	NO	Classification:	Minor
Citation:	30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter	D 290.46(f)(3)(D)(ii)	
Description:	Failed to maintain record of the re and pressure maintenance facilitie		water storage
Self Report?	NO	Classification:	Minor
Citation:	30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter	F 290.109(c)(1)(B)	
Description:	Failed to collect distribution colifor systems monitoring plan.	m samples at locations spe	ecified in the
Self Report?	NO	Classification:	Minor
Citation:	30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter	F 290.110(f)(1)(A)	
Description:	Failed to include all samples collect	ted at sites designated in t	the monitoring
	plan as microbiological and disinfe compliance determination calculat	5	sites in the
Self Report?	NO	Classification:	Minor
Citation:	30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter	D 290.46(j)	
Description:	Failed to utilize TCEQ Form 20699 a customer service inspection cert		when completing

#### F. Environmental audits:

N/A

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- G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):  $_{\mbox{$N/A$}}$
- H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates: \$N/A\$
- I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program:  $$\rm N/A$$
- J. Early compliance:

N/A

#### Sites Outside of Texas:

N/A

# **Component Appendices**

#### Appendix A All NOVs Issued During Component Period 11/18/2019 and 11/18/2024

1	Date:	08/2	0/2020	(1670133)					
	Self Repor	rt? I	NO		Classification:	Minor			
	Description:		30 TAC Chapter 290, SubChapter D 290.46(f)(3)(D)(ii) Failed to maintain record of the results of inspections for all water storage and pressure maintenance facilities for at least five years.						
	Self Repor	rt? I	NO		Classification:	Minor			
	Description:		Failed to	Chapter 290, SubChapter F 29 collect distribution coliform sa		cified in the			
	Self Repo	rt? I	systems NO	monitoring plan.	Classification:	Minor			
	Citation:		30 TAC (	Chapter 290, SubChapter F 29	0.110(f)(1)(A)				
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	Descriptio	on:		utilize TCEQ Form 20699 or a ner service inspection certificat		vhen completing			
2	Date:	09/0	2/2020	(1699082)					
	Self Report Citation:	rt? I	NO		Classification:	Moderate			
				Chapter 290, SubChapter F 29 C Chapter 341, SubChapter A 3					
	Descriptio	on:	ARS MCI	L 3Q2020 - During the 3rd qua m contaminant level for Arseni	arter of 2020 the system				
3	Date:	12/2	1/2020	(1699082)					
	Self Report Citation:	rt? I	O		Classification:	Moderate			
			30 TAC (	Chapter 290, SubChapter F 29 Chapter 290, SubChapter F 29	0.117(i)(1)				
	Descriptio	on:	lead and	MR 3Y2020 - The system failed copper levels to the TCEQ for om 01/01/2018 to 12/31/2020	the triennial reduced r	monitoring			
4	Date:	12/2	2/2020	(1699082)					
	Self Report Citation:	rt? I	NO		Classification:	Moderate			
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	Descriptio	on:		4Q2020 - During the 4th qua m contaminant level for Arseni					
5	Date:	12/1	5/2022	(1902746)					
	Self Repor	rt? I	NO		Classification:	Moderate			
	Description:		ARS MCI	Chapter 290, SubChapter F 29 _ 4Q2022 - During the 4th qua m contaminant level for arseni 5	arter of 2022 the system				

Date:	03/0	9/2023	(1902746)		
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Date:	01/0	5/2024	(1925657)		
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Self Repor	t?	NO		Classification:	Minor
Citation: Description	n:	Failed to	Chapter 290, SubChapter collect distribution colifo monitoring plan.	r F 290.109(c)(1)(B) orm samples at locations spe	ecified in the
Self Repor Citation:	t?	NO		Classification:	Minor
Description	n:	Failed to plan as r		ected at sites designated in f fectant residual monitoring s	
Self Repor Citation:	t?	NO		Classification:	Minor
Description	n:	Failed to	Chapter 290, SubChapter utilize TCEQ Form 2069 ner service inspection cer	9 or an approved alternate	when complet

\* NOVs applicable for the Compliance History rating period 9/1/2019 to 8/31/2024

#### Appendix B All Investigations Conducted During Component Period November 18, 2019 and November 18, 2024

Item 1	August 20, 2020**	(1670133)
Item 2	January 11, 2021**	(1699082)
Item 3	January 19, 2021**	(1699172)
Item 4*	December 08, 2021**	(1775356)
Item 5	May 22, 2023**	(1902746)
Item 6	May 26, 2023**	(1903209)
Item 7	January 05, 2024**	(1925657)

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 $\ensuremath{^*}$  No violations documented during this investigation

\*\*Investigation applicable for the Compliance History Rating period between 09/01/2019 and 08/31/2024.

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



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IN THE MATTER OF AN ENFORCEMENT ACTION CONCERNING QUAIL CREEK MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT RN101452068 BEFORE THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

#### AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2023-0767-PWS-E

On \_\_\_\_\_\_, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding Quail Creek Municipal Utility District (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 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 515 Chukar Drive in Victoria, Victoria County, Texas (the "Facility"). The Facility provides water for human consumption, has approximately 629 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(73).
- 2. During a record review for the Facility conducted on May 12, 2023 through June 9, 2023, an investigator documented that the running annual average concentrations for arsenic were 0.011 milligrams per liter ("mg/L") for the fourth quarter of 2022, 0.013 mg/L for the first quarter of 2023, and 0.013 mg/L for the second quarter of 2023.
- 3. The Executive Director recognizes that by May 3, 2024, the Respondent returned to compliance with the maximum contaminant level ("MCL") for arsenic at the Facility.

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#### **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 MCL of 0.010 mg/L for arsenic based on a running annual average, in violation of 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 290.106(f)(3)(C) and Tex. HEALTH AND 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 \$1,275 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 \$1,275 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: Quail Creek Municipal Utility District, Docket No. 2023-0767-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. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
- 3. 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.

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- 4. 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.
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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.
- 7. This Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
- 8. This Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms: electronic transmission, owner, person, writing, and written, shall have the meanings assigned to them under TEX. BUS. ORG. CODE § § 1.002.
- 9. The effective date of this Order is the date it is signed by the Commission. A copy of this fully executed Order shall be provided to each of the parties.

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#### SIGNATURE PAGE

#### TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission

Date

For the Executive Director

2/24/2025 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

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Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of Quail Creek Municipal Utility District

12-02-24 Date

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