

**Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 64343**

**Thomas H. Watson II**  
**RN110859154**  
**Docket No. 2023-0935-WQ-E**

**Order Type:**

1660 Agreed Order

**Findings Order Justification:**

N/A

**Media:**

WQ

**Small Business:**

N/A

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

Rainbow Plant, 31 Rainbow Road, Cuero, Dewitt County

**Type of Operation:**

Concrete batch plant

**Other Significant Matters:**

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: The complainant has expressed an interest in this matter but does not wish to speak at Agenda

**Texas Register Publication Date:** October 4, 2024

**Comments Received:** No

***Penalty Information***

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$35,250

**Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement:** \$7,050

**Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$795

**Total Due to General Revenue:** \$27,405

Payment Plan: 35 payments of \$783 each

**Compliance History Classifications:**

Person/CN - Satisfactory

Site/RN - High

**Major Source:** No

**Statutory Limit Adjustment:** N/A

**Applicable Penalty Policy:** January 2021

***Investigation Information***

**Complaint Date(s):** May 23, 2023

**Complaint Information:** Alleged large amounts of dust blows from the concrete batch plant.

**Date(s) of Investigation:** May 23, 2023

**Date(s) of NOE(s):** July 6, 2023

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***Violation Information***

1. Failed to maintain authorization to discharge wastewater and stormwater associated with industrial activity from ready-mixed concrete plants, concrete product plants, and associated facilities. Specifically, authorization under Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") General Permit No. TXG112556 expired on November 7, 2021, and the Respondent continued to operate [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 305.42].

2. Failed to prevent an unauthorized discharge of pollutants into or adjacent to any water in the state. Specifically, wastewater comingled with stormwater discharged from the Plant, and solidified concrete was observed off-site [TEX. WATER CODE § 26.121(a)].

***Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements***

**Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

The Respondent implemented the following corrective measures:

- a. By June 9, 2023, obtained TPDES General Permit No. TXG113421; and
- b. By September 11, 2023, cleaned and removed the off-site discharge of solidified concrete.

**Technical Requirements:**

N/A

***Contact Information***

**TCEQ Attorney:** N/A

**TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Megan Crinklaw, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 1, MC 219, (512) 239-1129; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

**Respondent:** Thomas Howard Watson II, Owner, P.O. Box 786, Cuero, Texas 77954-0786

**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>	10-Jul-2023	<b>Screening</b>	14-Jul-2023	<b>EPA Due</b>	
	<b>PCW</b>	5-Sep-2023				

<b>RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Respondent</b>	Thomas H. Watson II
<b>Reg. Ent. Ref. No.</b>	RN110859154
<b>Facility/Site Region</b>	14-Corpus Christi
<b>Major/Minor Source</b>	Minor

<b>CASE INFORMATION</b>			
<b>Enf./Case ID No.</b>	64343	<b>No. of Violations</b>	2
<b>Docket No.</b>	2023-0935-WQ-E	<b>Order Type</b>	1660
<b>Media Program(s)</b>	Water Quality	<b>Government/Non-Profit</b>	No
<b>Multi-Media</b>		<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	Megan Crinklaw
		<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>	\$46,250
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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>	0.0% Adjustment	<b>Subtotals 2, 3, &amp; 7</b>	\$0
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Notes: No adjustment for Compliance History.

<b>Culpability</b>	No	0.0% Enhancement	<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>	-\$11,000
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<b>Economic Benefit</b>	0.0% Enhancement*	<b>Subtotal 6</b>	\$0
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Total EB Amounts: \$53  
 Estimated Cost of Compliance: \$2,725  
 \*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

<b>SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7</b>	<b>Final Subtotal</b>	\$35,250
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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.

Notes:

<b>Final Penalty Amount</b>	\$35,250
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<b>STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT</b>	<b>Final Assessed Penalty</b>	\$35,250
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<b>DEFERRAL</b>	20.0%	Reduction	<b>Adjustment</b>	-\$7,050
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Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage.

Notes: Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

<b>PAYABLE PENALTY</b>	\$28,200
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Screening Date 14-Jul-2023

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PCW

Respondent Thomas H. Watson II

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)

Case ID No. 64343

PCW Revision February 11, 2021

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN110859154

Media Water Quality

Enf. Coordinator Megan Crinklaw

### 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> )	0	0%
	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)** 0%

#### >> 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

No adjustment for Compliance History.

**Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7)** 0%

#### >> Final Compliance History Adjustment

**Final Adjustment Percentage \*capped at 100%** 0%

**Screening Date** 14-Jul-2023  
**Respondent** Thomas H. Watson II  
**Case ID No.** 64343  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN110859154  
**Media** Water Quality  
**Enf. Coordinator** Megan Crinklaw

**Docket No.** 2023-0935-WQ-E

**PCW**

*Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)*

*PCW Revision February 11, 2021*

**Violation Number** 1

**Rule Cite(s)**

30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.42

**Violation Description**

Failed to maintain authorization to discharge wastewater and stormwater associated with industrial activity from ready-mixed concrete plants, concrete product plants, and their associated facilities. Specifically, authorization under Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit No. TXG112556 expired on November 7, 2021, and the Respondent continued to operate.

**Base Penalty** \$25,000

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

OR	Release	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
	Actual				0.0%
	Potential				

**>> Programmatic Matrix**

	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
		X			10.0%

Matrix Notes

100% of the rule requirements were not met.

**Adjustment** \$22,500

\$2,500

**Violation Events**

Number of Violation Events 17 489 Number of violation days

daily	
weekly	
monthly	X
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	

**Violation Base Penalty** \$42,500

Seventeen monthly events are recommended from the permit application grace period end date (February 5, 2022) to the compliance date (June 9, 2023).

**Good Faith Efforts to Comply**

25.0%

Reduction \$10,625

Before NOE/NOV NOE/NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer

Extraordinary		
Ordinary	X	
N/A		

Notes The Respondent achieved compliance by June 9, 2023.

**Violation Subtotal** \$31,875

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

**Statutory Limit Test**

**Estimated EB Amount** \$15

**Violation Final Penalty Total** \$31,875

**This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)** \$31,875

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** Thomas H. Watson II  
**Case ID No.** 64343  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN110859154  
**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	\$225	5-Feb-2022	9-Jun-2023	1.34	\$15	n/a	\$15
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

#### Notes for DELAYED costs

Actual Permit Cost to submit a Notice of Intent to obtain authorization to discharge wastewater associated with a concrete batch plant. The Date Required is the permit application grace period end date of the TPDES Permit No. TXG112556 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

\$225

**TOTAL**

\$15

<b>Screening Date</b>	14-Jul-2023	<b>Docket No.</b>	2023-0935-WQ-E	<b>PCW</b>
<b>Respondent</b>	Thomas H. Watson II			<i>Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)</i>
<b>Case ID No.</b>	64343			<i>PCW Revision February 11, 2021</i>
<b>Reg. Ent. Reference No.</b>	RN110859154			
<b>Media</b>	Water Quality			
<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	Megan Crinklaw			
<b>Violation Number</b>	2			
<b>Rule Cite(s)</b>	Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)			
<b>Violation Description</b>	Failed to prevent an unauthorized discharge of pollutants into or adjacent to any water in the state. Specifically, wastewater comingled with stormwater discharged from the Plant, and solidified concrete was observed off-site.			
		<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	<b>Percent</b> 15.0%
	Potential				

**>> Programmatic Matrix**

	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	
					<b>Percent</b> 0.0%

Matrix Notes: Human health or the environment has been exposed to insignificant amounts of pollutants that do not exceed levels that are protective of human health or environmental receptors as a result of the violation.

**Adjustment** \$21,250

\$3,750

**Violation Events**

Number of Violation Events: 1      52 Number of violation days

daily	
weekly	
monthly	
quarterly	X
semiannual	
annual	
single event	

**Violation Base Penalty** \$3,750

One quarterly event is recommended from the date of the investigation (May 23, 2023) to the screening date (July 14, 2023).

**Good Faith Efforts to Comply** 10.0% Reduction \$375

	Before NOE/NOV	NOE/NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer
Extraordinary		
Ordinary		X
N/A		

Notes: The Respondent achieved compliance by September 11, 2023.

**Violation Subtotal** \$3,375

**Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation**      **Statutory Limit Test**

**Estimated EB Amount** \$38      **Violation Final Penalty Total** \$3,375

**This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)** \$3,375

## Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** Thomas H. Watson II  
**Case ID No.** 64343  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN110859154  
**Media** Water Quality  
**Violation No.** 2

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	\$2,500	23-May-2023	11-Sep-2023	0.30	\$38	n/a	\$38
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated Remediation/Disposal cost to remove and dispose of the solidified concrete off-site. The Date Required is the investigation date, 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

\$2,500

**TOTAL**

\$38





# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN605685759, RN110859154, Rating Year 2023 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2018, through August 31, 2023.

**Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator:** CN605685759, Thomas Howard Watson II Howard **Classification:** SATISFACTORY **Rating:** 28.44

**Regulated Entity:** RN110859154, RAINBOW PLANT **Classification:** HIGH **Rating:** 0.00

**Complexity Points:** 0 **Repeat Violator:** NO

**CH Group:** 10 - Cement and Concrete Product Manufacturing

**Location:** 31 Rainbow Road, Cuero, Dewitt County, Texas

**TCEQ Region:** REGION 14 - CORPUS CHRISTI

**ID Number(s):**

WASTEWATER PERMIT TXG113421

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

**Date Compliance History Report Prepared:** May 08, 2024

**Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:** Enforcement

**Component Period Selected:** May 08, 2019 to May 08, 2024

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

**Name:** Megan Crinklaw

**Phone:** (512) 239-1129

**Site and Owner/Operator History:**

- 1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five-year compliance period? NO
- 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	September 22, 2023	(1936298)
Item 2	January 11, 2024	(1964782)
Item 3	March 07, 2024	(1980404)

**E. Written notices of violations (NOV) (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):**

A notice of violation represents a written allegation of a violation of a specific regulatory requirement from the commission to a regulated entity. A notice of violation is not a final enforcement action, nor proof that a violation has actually occurred.

N/A

**F. Environmental audits:**

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  
THOMAS HOWARD WATSON II  
RN110859154

§ BEFORE THE  
§ TEXAS COMMISSION ON  
§ ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

## AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2023-0935-WQ-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 Thomas Howard Watson II (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 concrete batch plant located at 31 Rainbow Road in Cuero, Dewitt County, Texas (the "Plant"). The Plant 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 \$35,250 is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent paid \$795 of the penalty and \$7,050 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.

The remaining amount of \$27,405 of the undeferred penalty shall be paid in 35 monthly payments of \$783 each. The first monthly payment shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Order. The subsequent payments shall each be paid not later than 30 days following the due date of the previous payment until the penalty is paid in full. If the Respondent fails to comply with the payment requirements of this Order, including the payment schedule, the Executive Director may accelerate the maturity of the remaining installments, in which event the unpaid balance shall become immediately due and payable without demand or notice. The Respondent's failure to meet the payment schedule of this Order and/or the acceleration of any remaining balance constitutes the failure by the Respondent to timely and satisfactorily comply with all the

terms and conditions of this Order and the Executive Director may demand payment of all or part of the deferred penalty amount.

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 the Respondent implemented the following corrective measures at the Plant:
  - a. By June 9, 2023, obtained Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") General Permit No. TXG113421; and
  - b. By September 11, 2023, cleaned and removed the off-site discharge of solidified concrete.

## II. ALLEGATIONS

During an investigation at the Plant conducted on May 23, 2023, an investigator documented that the Respondent:

1. Failed to maintain authorization to discharge wastewater and stormwater associated with industrial activity from ready-mixed concrete plants, concrete product plants, and associated facilities, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 305.42. Specifically, authorization under TPDES General Permit No. TXG112556 expired on November 7, 2021, and the Respondent continued to operate.
2. Failed to prevent an unauthorized discharge of pollutants into or adjacent to any water in the state, in violation of TEX. WATER CODE § 26.121(a). Specifically, wastewater comingled with stormwater discharged from the Plant, and solidified concrete was observed off-site.

### 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: Thomas Howard Watson II, Docket No. 2023-0935-WQ-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section  
Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214  
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
12100 Park 35 Circle  
Austin, Texas 78753

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 Plant operations referenced in this Order.
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. 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.
6. 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.

7. 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

  
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For the Executive Director

10/14/2024

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Date

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Order. I am authorized to agree to the attached Order, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty amount, is materially relying on such representation.

I also understand that failure to comply with the Ordering Provisions, if any, in this Order and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may result in:

- A negative impact on compliance history;
- Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted;
- Referral of this case to the OAG for contempt, injunctive relief, additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;
- Increased penalties in any future enforcement actions;
- Automatic referral to the OAG of any future enforcement actions; and
- TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.

In addition, any falsification of any compliance documents may result in criminal prosecution.

  
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Signature

8/20/24  
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Date

Thomas H. Watson II  
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Name (Printed or typed)  
Authorized Representative of  
Thomas Howard Watson II

Owner  
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Title

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

**Instructions:** Send the original, signed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section at the address in Ordering Provision 1 of this Order.