Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 63776 ETC Texas Pipeline, Ltd. RN100225796 Docket No. 2023-1241-AIR-E

Order Type:

Findings Agreed Order

Findings Order Justification:

Unauthorized emissions which are excessive emissions events.

Media:

AIR

Small Business:

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Hemphill County Compressor Station, located approximately 15.8 miles northeast of the U.S. Highway 83 and U.S. Highway 60 intersection and 0.8 mile south of U.S.

Highway 60 near Canadian, Hemphill County

Type of Operation:

Natural gas transmission facility

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No Past-Due Fees: No Other: N/A

Other. N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: September 5, 2025

Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$18,750

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$18,750

Total Due to General Revenue: \$0

Payment Plan: N/A

Compliance History Classifications:

Person/CN - Satisfactory Site/RN - Unclassified

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: November 1, 2022 through January 6, 2023

Date(s) of NOE(s): January 9, 2023

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Violation Information

Failed to prevent unauthorized emissions. The emissions event was determined to be an excessive emissions event [30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 106.6(b) and 111.111(a)(7)(A), Permit by Rule Registration No. 87096, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b)].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

On August 3, 2022, the Respondent ceased operating the compressor station and evaluated control options such as installing a control device (a flare and/or a vapor recovery unit) on the condensate tanks to address the excessive emissions event that began on August 3, 2022 (Incident No. 384662).

Technical Requirements:

N/A

Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Michael Wilkins, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 2, MC R-03, (325) 698-6134; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

Respondent: Charles Tucker, Manager Operations, ETC Texas Pipeline, Ltd., 10975 Exhibition Road, Canadian, Texas 79014

David M. Minielly, Vice President of Operations, ETC Texas Pipeline, Ltd., 10975

Exhibition Road, Canadian, Texas 79014

Respondent's Attorney: N/A



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

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

 DATES
 Assigned
 17-Jan-2023

 PCW
 27-Jun-2025
 Screening
 8-Mar-2023
 EPA Due

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION

Respondent ETC Texas Pipeline, Ltd.

Reg. Ent. Ref. No. RN100225796

Facility/Site Region 1-Amarillo Major/Minor Source Minor

CASE INFORMATION

Enf./Case ID No. 63776

Docket No. 2023-1241-AIR-E

Media Program(s) Air

Multi-Media

Multi-Media

Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum \$0 Maximum

No. of Violations 1

Order Type Findings

Government/Non-Profit No

Enf. Coordinator Michael Wilkins

EC's Team Enforcement Team 2

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Respondent ETC Texas Pipeline, Ltd.

Case ID No. 63776

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Media Air

Enf. Coordinator Michael Wilkins

Compliance History Worksheet								
>> Co	mpliance Hist Component	ory <i>Sit</i> e Enhancement (Subtotal 2) 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%				
		Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (<i>number of orders meeting criteria</i>)	0	0%				
	Orders	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	0	0%				
	Judgments and Consent	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government (number of judgments or consent decrees meeting criteria)	0	0%				
	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%				
	Addits	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which violations were disclosed)	0	0%				
		Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%				
	Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%				
		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 Per	centage (Sub	total 2)	0%			
>> Re	peat Violator	(Subtotal 3)						
	No	Adjustment Per	centage (Sub	total 3)	0%			
>> Co	mpliance Hist	ory 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 (S	Subtotals 2,	3, & 7)	0%			
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	E	conomic	Benefit	Wor	ksheet		
Respondent	ETC Texas Pipeline, Ltd.						
Case ID No.							
Reg. Ent. Reference No.	RN100225796						
Media Violation No.	Air					Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
						5.0	15
	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
Item Description		•					
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)	\$10,000	3-Aug-2022	3-Aug-2022	0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Notes for DELAYED costs	a control de	vice (a flare and/o ent that began on	r a vapor recov August 3, 2022	ery unit 2 (Incide) on the condensat	e control options su te tanks to address The Date Required i of compliance.	the excessive
Avoided Costs	ANNU	ALIZE avoided c	osts before er	tering	item (except for	one-time avoided	l 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		\$10,000			TOTAL		\$0

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Emissions Event Table (Incident No. 384662)

		Pollutants (lbs)			
Source Name	EPN	СО	Opacity (%)	NOx	VOC
Dehy Produced Water Tank	N/A	94.72	80.00	47.48	1,666.50
Frac Tank	N/A	227.59	80.00	114.08	4,003.95
TANK-1/Condensate Tank	TANK-1	225.20	45.00	112.89	3,822.10
TANK-2/Condensate Tank	TANK-2	225.20	45.00	112.89	3,822.10
	Totals	772.71		387.34	13,314.65

To request a more accessible version of this report, please contact the TCEQ Help Desk at (512) 239-4357.



Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN601587652, RN100225796, Rating Year 2024 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2019, through August 31, 2024.

Customer, Respondent, CN601587652, ETC Texas Pipeline, Ltd.

Classification: SATISFACTORY

Rating: 1.12

or Owner/Operator: Regulated Entity:

RN100225796, HEMPHILL COUNTY

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Rating: -----

Complexity Points:

Repeat Violator: NO

CH Group:

13 - Pipeline Transportation of Natural Gas, Refined Petroleum, and All Other Products

Location:

FROM CANADIAN GO 2 MI N ON HWY 83 GO E ON FM 2266 9.4 MI THEN 2.2 MI N STATION APPROX 8

MI E OF CANADIAN HEMPHILL, TX, HEMPHILL COUNTY

TCEQ Region:

REGION 01 - AMARILLO

COMPRESSOR STATION 2

ID Number(s):

AIR OPERATING PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER HL0033U **AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 87096**

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER HL0033U

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS AFS NUM 4821100034

AIR EMISSIONS INVENTORY ACCOUNT NUMBER HL0033U

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2019 to August 31, 2024

Rating Year: 2024

Rating Date: 09/01/2024

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: June 26, 2025

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: June 26, 2020 to June 26, 2025

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

Name: Michael Wilkins

Phone: (325) 698-6134

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:

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

April 13, 2023 Item 1 (1889088)

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	§	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
ETC TEXAS PIPELINE, LTD.	§	
RN100225796	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2023-1241-AIR-E

On	, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the
Commission" or "TCI	EQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement
action regarding ETC	Texas Pipeline, Ltd. (the "Respondent") under the authority of Tex. Health
& SAFETY CODE ch. 382	2 and Tex. Water Code ch. 7. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through
the Enforcement Div	ision, and the Respondent presented this Order to the Commission.

The Respondent understands that it has certain procedural rights at certain points in the enforcement process, including the right to formal notice of violations, notice of an evidentiary hearing, the right to an evidentiary hearing, and a right to appeal. By entering into this Order, the Respondent agrees to waive all notice and procedural rights.

It is further understood and agreed that this Order represents the complete and fully-integrated agreement of the parties. The provisions of this Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable. The duties and responsibilities imposed by this Order are binding upon the Respondent.

The Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Respondent owned and operated a natural gas transmission facility located approximately 15.8 miles northeast of the United States Highway 83 and United States Highway 60 intersection and 0.8 mile south of United States Highway 60 near Canadian, Hemphill County, Texas (the "Site"). The Site consists or consisted of one or more sources as defined in Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.003(12).
- 2. During a record review for the Site conducted from November 1, 2022 through January 6, 2023, an investigator documented that the Respondent experienced 45 to 80 percent ("%") opacity and released 772.71 pounds ("lbs") of carbon monoxide ("CO"), 387.37 lbs of nitrogen oxides ("NOX"), and 13,314.65 lbs of volatile organic compounds ("VOC") from two sources with Emissions Point Numbers ("EPNs") and two sources without EPNs as shown in the table below, during an emissions event (Incident No. 384662) that began on August 3, 2022 and lasted 25 hours and ten minutes. TCEQ staff determined that the emissions event was an excessive emissions event.

		Pollutants (lbs)			
Source Name	EPN	СО	Opacity (%)	NOx	VOC
Dehy Produced Water Tank	N/A	94.72	80.00	47.48	1,666.50
Frac Tank	N/A	227.59	80.00	114.08	4,003.95
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	Totals	772.71		387.34	13,314.65

3. The Executive Director recognizes that on August 3, 2022, the Respondent ceased operating the compressor station and evaluated control options such as installing a control device (a flare and/or a vapor recovery unit) on the condensate tanks to address the excessive emissions event that began on August 3, 2022 (Incident No. 384662).

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 1, the Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEO pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code ch. 382 and the rules of the TCEO.
- 2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2, the Respondent failed to prevent unauthorized emissions, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 106.6(b) and 111.111(a)(7)(A), Permit by Rule Registration No. 87096, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b). The emissions event was determined to be an excessive emissions event.
- 3. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 7.051, 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 \$18,750 is justified by the facts recited in this Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in Tex. Water Code § 7.053. The Respondent paid the \$18,750 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: ETC Texas Pipeline, Ltd., Docket No. 2023-1241-AIR-E" to:

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> 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.
- 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. Extension requests shall be sent to the Enforcement Division at the address listed above.
- 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.

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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
Kriote Melo-Jurach	10/11/2025
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;

ETC Texas Pipeline, Ltd.

- 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

Date

Dave H. M. M. P.

Name (Printed or typed)
Authorized Representative of

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