Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 65086 East Montgomery County MUD 5 RN106541360 Docket No. 2023-1691-MWD-E

Order Type:

1660 Agreed Order

Findings Order Justification:

N/A **Media**:

MWD

Small Business:

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

East Montgomery County MUD 5 WWTP, 598 Roman Forest Boulevard, New Caney,

Montgomery County

Type of Operation:Wastewater treatment plant

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: July 26, 2024

Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$10,313

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$2,062

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$8,251 Total Due to General Revenue: \$0

Payment Plan: N/A

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 Information: N/A

Complaint Information: N/A

Date(s) of Investigation: June 27, 2023 **Date(s) of NOE(s):** September 21, 2023

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Violation Information

Failed to comply with permitted effluent limitations for daily average flow, ammonia nitrogen, and *Escherichia coli* [30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.125(1), Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. WQ0015065001, Interim I and Interim II¹ Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements No. 1].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

By June 30, 2023, the Respondent implemented corrective measures at the Facility and returned to compliance with permitted effluent limitations.

Technical Requirements:

N/A

Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Kolby Farren, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 1, MC R-12, (512) 239-2098; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

Respondent: Jeff Campbell, Vice President, East Montgomery County MUD 5, 9

Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77046

Respondent's Attorney: N/A

¹ The Facility transitioned to Interim II Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements starting with the January 2023 monitoring period, changing the permitted limit for flow.



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

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

DATES Assigned 3-Oct-2023
PCW 1-Dec-2023 Screening 13-Nov-2023 EPA Due

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION

Respondent East Montgomery County MUD 5

Reg. Ent. Ref. No. RN106541360

Facility/Site Region 12-Houston Major/Minor Source Minor

CASE INFORMATION

Enf./Case ID No. 65086
Docket No. 2023-1691-MWD-E
Media Program(s) Water Quality
Multi-Media
Multi-Media
Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum \$0 Maximum

Maximum

No. of Violations 2
1660
Government/Non-Profit Enf. Coordinator EC's Team
Enforcement Team 1

			Penalty C	Calcula	tion Section	on		
TOTA	L BASE PENA	LTY (Sum of	violation bas	e penal	ties)		Subtotal 1	\$13,750
ADJU:	STMENTS (+	/-) TO SUBT	OTAL 1					
7,550	Subtotals 2-7 are of	otained by multiplyin	the Total Base Penalt	y (Subtotal 1) by the indicated p			
	Compliance Hi	story		0.0%	Adjustment	Subt	otals 2, 3, & 7	\$0
	Notes		No adjustment fo	or complian	nce history.			
	Culpability	No		0.0%	Enhancement		Subtotal 4	\$0
	Notes	The Re	spondent does not	t meet the	culpability crite	eria.		
	Good Faith Eff	ort to Comply 1	otal Adjustment	s			Subtotal 5	-\$3,437
	Economic Ben				Enhancement*		Subtotal 6	\$0
	Estimated	Total EB Amounts Cost of Compliance	\$1,038 \$25,000	*Сарре	d at the Total EB \$ A	amount		
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	Notes							
						Final Pe	nalty Amount	\$10,313
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PAYA	BLE PENALT	Y						\$8,251

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)

PCW Revision February 11, 2021

Screening Date 13-Nov-2023

Docket No. 2023-1691-MWD-E

Respondent East Montgomery County MUD 5

Case ID No. 65086

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN106541360

Media Water Quality

Enf. Coordinator Kolby Farren

	Compliance History Worksheet		
mpliance Hist Component	ory Site 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 (number of NOVs meeting criteria)	0	0%
	Other written NOVs	0	0%
	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	0	0%
Orders	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement order without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federa government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	al 0	0%
Judgments	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denia of liability of this state or the federal government (number of judgments o consent decrees meeting criteria)		0%
and Consent Decrees	Any adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicate final court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this stat or the federal government		0%
Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government (number o 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 th Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature 1995 (number of audits for which notices were submitted)		0%
Addits	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Aud Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which violations were disclosed)		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 No	0%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federa government environmental requirements	No No	0%
	Adjustment Po	ercentage (Su	btotal 2)
peat Violator	(Subtotal 3)		
No	Adjustment Po	ercentage (Su	btotal 3)
mpliance Hist	cory Person Classification (Subtotal 7)		
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Satisfactory	Performer Adjustment Po	ercentage (Su	btotal 7)
mpliance Hist	cory Summary		
Compliance History Notes	No adjustment for compliance history.		
	Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage	(Subtotals 2.	. 3, & 7)
al Compliance	History Adjustment		, .
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		East Montgome	ery County Ml	JD 5		Policy R	evision 5 (January 28, 2021)
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Reg.	Ent. Reference No.						
		Water Quality					
	Enf. Coordinator Violation Number]				
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	Rule Cite(s)				ES") Permit No. WQ0015		
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	E	conomic	Benefit	Wor	rksheet		
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Reg. Ent. Reference No.							
	Water Quality						Years of
Violation No.						Percent Interest	Depreciation
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						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	+2F 000	21 4 2022	20.1 2022	0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$25,000	31-Aug-2022	30-Jun-2023	0.83	\$1,038	n/a	\$1,038
Notes for DELAYED costs	the facility, an	d achieve complia the first month o	ince with permit f noncompliance	ted efflue, and th	uent limitations. The Final Date is the	e neccesary repairs, ne Date Required is date of compliance	the end date of
Avoided Costs	ANNU	ALIZE avoided o	osts before er	itering	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		\$25,000			TOTAL		\$1,038

Respondent Case ID No Reg. Ent. Reference No				No. 2023-1691-MWD-E	PCW
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	Water Quality				
Enf. Coordinator		न			
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					\$6,250
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	daily weekly monthly quarterly semiannual annual		31		
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Economic Benefit Worksheet							
Respondent	East Montgom	ery County MUD 5	5				
Case ID No.	65086						
Reg. Ent. Reference No.	RN106541360)					
	Water Quality					Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
						5.0	15
	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
Item Description		•					
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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)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Notes for DELAYED costs					sheet for Violation		
Avoided Costs	ANNU	ALIZE avoided co	osts before en			one-time avoided	
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)		<u> </u>		0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Notes for AVOIDED costs							
Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$0			TOTAL		\$0

East Montgomery MUD 5

Docket No. 2023-1691-MWD-E TPDES Permit No. WQ0015065001

Case No. 65086

Effluent Violation Table

	Flow Daily Average	Ammonia Nitrogen Daily Average	Ammonia Nitrogen Single Grab	<i>E. coli</i> Single Grab
Monitoring Period	Limit= 0.30 MGD	Limit= 3 mg/l	Limit= 15 mg/l	Limit= 200 MPN/100 ml
August 2022	0.301	С	С	С
November 2022	0.313	4.32	С	С
December 2022	0.322	4.56	18.2	259.5
January 2023	n.a	С	16	2420

MGD = million gallons per day mg/l = milligrams per liter MPN/100 = most probable number per 100 milliliters C = compliant n.a.= not applicable

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 CN602989667, RN106541360, Rating Year 2023 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2018, through August 31, 2023.

Customer, Respondent, CN602989667, East Montgomery County Classification: SATISFACTORY Rating: 1.50

or Owner/Operator: MUD 5

Regulated Entity: RN106541360, EAST MONTGOMERY Classification: SATISFACTORY Rating: 1.50

COUNTY MUD 5 WWTP

Complexity Points: 4 Repeat Violator: NO

CH Group: 14 - Other

Location: 598 Roman Forest Boulevard, Montgomery County, Texas 77357-3107

TCEQ Region: REGION 12 - HOUSTON

ID Number(s):

WASTEWATER PERMIT WQ0015065001 WASTEWATER EPA ID TX0133906

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

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: February 27, 2024

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: February 27, 2019 to February 27, 2024

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

Name: Kolby Farren **Phone:** (512) 239-2098

Site and Owner/Operator History:

1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period?

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	March 14, 2019	(1566590)	Item 14	December 15, 2021	(1792889)
Item 2	April 17, 2019	(1574128)	Item 15	January 13, 2022	(1800724)
Item 3	May 16, 2019	(1587807)	Item 16	February 14, 2022	(1808554)
Item 4	June 19, 2019	(1587808)	Item 17	March 16, 2022	(1815608)
Item 5	July 16, 2019	(1595511)	Item 18	April 18, 2022	(1822166)
Item 6	September 05, 2019	(1601756)	Item 19	May 16, 2022	(1831068)
Item 7	September 11, 2019	(1608657)	Item 20	June 14, 2022	(1837314)
Item 8	November 15, 2019	(1621336)	Item 21	July 13, 2022	(1844502)
Item 9	January 13, 2020	(1636293)	Item 22	August 15, 2022	(1850711)
Item 10	February 13, 2020	(1642911)	Item 23	October 19, 2022	(1864784)
Item 11	March 11, 2020	(1649418)	Item 24	November 15, 2022	(1871694)
Item 12	May 11, 2021	(1710918)	Item 25	March 14, 2023	(1900747)
			Item 26	April 19, 2023	(1907543)
Item 13	November 16, 2021	(1785840)	Item 27	May 21, 2023	(1914692)

Item 28	June 19, 2023	(1921307)	Item 32	October 16, 2023	(1948202)
Item 29	July 19, 2023	(1928287)	Item 33	November 20, 2023	(1953890)
Item 30	August 21, 2023	(1935221)	Item 34	December 20, 2023	(1963679)
Item 31	September 14, 2023	(1941443)			

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.

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
EAST MONTGOMERY COUNTY MUD 5	§	
RN106541360	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2023-1691-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 East Montgomery County MUD 5 (the "Respondent") under the authority of TE	X.
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 plant located at 598 Roman Forest Boulevard in Montgomery 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 TCEO.
- 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 \$10,313 is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent paid \$8,251 of the penalty and \$2,062 is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Order. The deferred amount 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 of the terms or requirements contained in this Order, 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 by June 30, 2023, the Respondent implemented corrective measures at the Facility and returned to compliance with permitted effluent limitations.

II. ALLEGATIONS

During a record review for the Facility conducted on June 27, 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 Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. WQ0015065001, Interim I and Interim II¹ Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements No. 1, as shown in the effluent violation table below.

Effluent Violation Table								
	Flow Daily Average	Ammonia Nitrogen Daily Average	Ammonia Nitrogen Single Grab	<i>E. coli</i> Single Grab				
Monitoring Period	Limit= 0.30 MGD	Limit= 3 mg/l	Limit= 15 mg/l	Limit= 200 MPN/100 ml				
August 2022	0.301	С	С	С				
November 2022	0.313	4.32	С	С				
December 2022	0.322	4.56	18.2	259.5				
January 2023	n.a.	С	16	2420				

MGD = million gallons per day mg/l = milligrams per liter MPN/100 ml = most probable number per 100 milliliters c= compliant n.a.= not applicable *E. coli = Escherichia coli*

¹ The Facility transitioned to Interim II Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements starting with the January 2023 monitoring period, changing the permitted limit for flow.

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: East Montgomery County MUD 5, Docket No. 2023-1691-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. 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.
- 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

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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.

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SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission	Date
For the Executive Director	7/22/2024 Date
I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attactive attached Order, and I do agree to the terms and co acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for on such representation.	nditions specified therein. I further
I also understand that failure to comply with the Order and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may be	
 A negative impact on compliance history; Greater scrutiny of any permit applications subm Referral of this case to the OAG for contempt, in and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency; Increased penalties in any future enforcement ac Automatic referral to the OAG of any future enforcement ac TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law. 	junctive relief, additional penalties, tions;
In addition, any falsification of any compliance docum	ents may result in criminal prosecution.
Signature	6-26-2024 Date Vice Presiduat
Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of East Montgomery County MUD 5	Vice President Title

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