# Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 65172 Houston Refining LP RN100218130 Docket No. 2023-1786-AIR-E

Order Type:

1660 Agreed Order

**Findings Order Justification:** 

N/A **Media**:

Media AIR

**Small Business:** 

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Houston Refining, 12000 Lawndale Street, Houston, Harris County

**Type of Operation:** Petroleum refinery

**Other Significant Matters:** 

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

**Texas Register Publication Date:** August 23, 2024

Comments Received: No

**Penalty Information** 

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$26,550

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$5,310

**Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$21,240

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

Payment Plan: N/A

**Compliance History Classifications:** 

Person/CN - Satisfactory Site/RN - Satisfactory

**Major Source:** Yes

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: August 22, 2023 through November 20, 2023

Date(s) of NOE(s): December 14, 2023

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# Violation Information

Failed to comply with the hydrogen sulfide ("H2S") concentration limit of the fuel gas. Specifically, the Respondent exceeded the H2S concentration limit of approximately 160 parts per million by volume ("ppmv") on a three-hour rolling average basis by a range from 12 ppmv to 20,692 ppmv for a total of 80 hours on eight days from December 24, 2022 to May 20, 2023 for the No. 2 Plant Flare, Emissions Point Number ("EPN") 338K0002 [30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §§ 101.20(3), 116.715(a), and 122.143(4), Flexible Permit Nos. 2167 and PSDTX985, Special Conditions No. 25, Federal Operating Permit No. O1372, General Terms and Conditions and Special Terms and Conditions No. 32, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b)].

# Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

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

By July 27, 2023, the Respondent repaired the water leaks in the Flare Gas Recovery System in order to comply with the H2S concentration limit of the fuel gas for the No. 2 Plant Flare, EPN 338K0002.

# **Technical Requirements:**

N/A

#### **Contact Information**

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

**TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Caleb Martin, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 2, MC R-12, (512) 239-2091; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

**Respondent:** Greg Nevermann, Site Manager, Houston Refining LP, 12000 Lawndale

Street, Houston, Texas 77017 **Respondent's Attorney:** N/A



# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

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

DATES Assigned 18-Dec-2023
PCW 20-Jun-2024 Screening 19-Dec-2023 EPA Due

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION
Respondent
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.
Facility/Site Region 12-Houston Major/Minor Source Major

CASE INFORMATION

Enf./Case ID No. 65172
Docket No. 2023-1786-AIR-E
Media Program(s) Air
Multi-Media
Multi-Media

Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum \$0 Maximum

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

Penalty Calculation Section **TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)** \$22,500 Subtotal 1 ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1 Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage. **Compliance History** 43.0% Adjustment Subtotals 2, 3, & 7 \$9,675 Enhancement for three NOVs with same or similar violations, two NOVs with dissimilar violations, and one final court judgement containing a Notes denial of liability. Reduction for two Notices of Intent to conduct an audit and two Disclosures of Violations. Culpability No Subtotal 4 **0.0%** Enhancement \$0 The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria. Notes **Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments** Subtotal 5 -\$5,625 **Economic Benefit** 0.0% Enhancement\* Subtotal 6 \$0 Total EB Amounts Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount \$736 \$25,000 Estimated Cost of Compliance **SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7** \$26,550 Final Subtotal OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE 0.0% Adjustment \$0 Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage. Notes Final Penalty Amount \$26,550 STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT Final Assessed Penalty \$26,550 **DEFERRAL** 20.0% -\$5,310 Reduction Adjustment Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage. Deferral offered for expedited settlement. Notes **PAYABLE PENALTY** \$21,240

**PCW** 

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

Screening Date 19-Dec-2023 Respondent Houston Refining LP **Case ID No.** 65172

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN100218130

>> Final Compliance History Adjustment

**Media** Air

Enf. Coordinator Caleb Martin

	Compliance History Worksheet		
	ite Enhancement (Subtotal 2) ber of	Number	Adjust.
Writte	en notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in urrent enforcement action ( <i>number of NOVs meeting criteria</i> )	3	15%
Other	r written NOVs	2	4%
	agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability ( <i>number of</i> res meeting criteria)	0	0%
witho	adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders out a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal rnment, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	0	0%
Judgments of lia	non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial ability of this state or the federal government ( <i>number of judgments or the decrees meeting criteria</i> )	1	30%
final	adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicated court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this state e federal government	0	0%
Convictions Any count	criminal convictions of this state or the federal government ( <i>number of</i> ts)	0	0%
Emissions Chror	nic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%
Texas	rs notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the s Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, (number of audits for which notices were submitted)	2	-2%
Disclo	osures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit ege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 ( <i>number of audits for which violations were</i> osed)	2	-4%
Envir	onmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
	ntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director ra special assistance program	No	0%
	cipation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal rnment environmental requirements	No	0%
epeat Violator (Subt	Adjustment Per otal 3)	rcentage (Sub	total 2)
No	Adjustment Per	centage (Sub	total 3)
ompliance History P	erson Classification (Subtotal 7)		
Satisfactory Perform	mer Adjustment Per	rcentage (Sub	total 7)
ompliance History S	ummary		
	ancement for three NOVs with same or similar violations, two NOVs with dissing one final court judgement containing a denial of liability. Reduction for two Notes to conduct an audit and two Disclosures of Violations.		
	Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (S	Subtotals 2,	3, & 7)

Final Adjustment Percentage \*capped at 100% 43%

	E	conomic	Benefit	Woi	ksheet		
Respondent		ing LP					
Case ID No.							
Reg. Ent. Reference No. Media Violation No.	Air					Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
						5.0	15
	Item Cost	<b>Date Required</b>	Final Date	Yrs	<b>Interest Saved</b>	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 \$0	\$0 \$0
Engineering/Construction Land				0.00	\$0 \$0	n/a	\$0 \$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)	\$25,000	24-Dec-2022	27-Jul-2023	0.59	\$736	n/a	\$736
Notes for DELAYED costs	concentration	n limit of the fuel of date of non-	gas for the No. 2 compliance and	Plant F the Fin	Flare, EPN 338K000 al Date is the date	<u> </u>	red is the first
Avoided Costs	ANNU	ALIZE avoided c	osts before en		<u> </u>	one-time avoided	
Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Financial Assurance				0.00	\$0	\$0 \$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		\$736

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# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN601313083, RN100218130, Rating Year 2023 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2018, through August 31, 2023.

**Classification:** SATISFACTORY **Rating: 17.04** Customer, Respondent, CN601313083, Houston Refining LP

or Owner/Operator:

Regulated Entity: RN100218130, HOUSTON REFINING Classification: SATISFACTORY **Rating: 17.04** 

**Complexity Points:** Repeat Violator: NO

CH Group: 02 - Oil and Petroleum Refineries

Location: 12000 LAWNDALE STREET, HOUSTON, HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

TCEQ Region: **REGION 12 - HOUSTON** 

ID Number(s):

AIR OPERATING PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER HG0048L **AIR OPERATING PERMITS PERMIT 1372 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS PERMIT 2167** 

PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM/SUPPLY REGISTRATION

1011570

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 55719 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS ACCOUNT NUMBER** 

HG0048L

AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS AFS NUM 4820100040 **AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS EPA PERMIT PSDTX985** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 43445 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 46595** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 87937 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 92373** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 95583 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 101633 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102445 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102528** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102539 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 101897** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102500 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102525** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102533 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102524** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102526 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102538** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102448 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102537** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102523 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102446** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102540 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102521** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102531 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102522** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102512 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 102511 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 109351 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 112762** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 141096 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 131635** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 123232 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 139906** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 118761 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 151230** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 166263 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 168547** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 142711 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 146126** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS PERMIT AMOC51 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 156246** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 161353 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 160669** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 156839 AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 172306** 

**AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS REGISTRATION 175854** PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION **REGISTRATION 78219** 

IHW CORRECTIVE ACTION SOLID WASTE WASTEWATER PERMIT WQ0000392000 REGISTRATION # (SWR) 30092

WASTEWATER EPA ID TX0003247 **AIR EMISSIONS INVENTORY** ACCOUNT NUMBER HG00481

**POLLUTION PREVENTION PLANNING ID NUMBER INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMIT 50106** 

P00404

INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE EPA ID INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE SOLID WASTE

TXD082688979 REGISTRATION # (SWR) 30092

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

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: June 11, 2024

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:

Component Period Selected: June 11, 2019 to June 11, 2024

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

Name: Caleb Martin Phone: (512) 239-2091

#### 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:

Effective Date: 09/20/2023 (Final Judgement-Agreed Order With Denial) 1 COURTORDER

Classification: Major

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: Special Condition, 1 PERMIT

Description: On December 11, 2016, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions

event.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: NSR #2167, Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On December 8, 2017, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions

event.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On January 24, 2018, HLRP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions

event.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On at least August 8, 2018, HLRP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized

emissions event.

Classification: Moderate

2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101 Citation:

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter B 115.112(d)(2)(H)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter B 115.114(a)(4)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter B 115.144(2)(C)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352(1)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352(4)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.725(d)(3)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.725(d)(4)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.764(a)(3) 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.764(a)(6)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 117, SubChapter B 117.310(c)(1)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.145(2)(A)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT J 60.103(a)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT J 60.104(a)(1) 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT J 60.104(a)(2)(i)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT J 60.105(b)(3)(iii)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT Ja 60.103a(h)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.482-2(c)(1)

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40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT G 63.119(c)
          40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT UUU 63.1568(a)(4)(iii)
          5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)
Rgmt Prov: GTC OP
          SCs 14H, 14E, 25, 31, 36, 56D, 59 PERMIT
          SCs 43B and 64B.ii.b and GCs 11 and 15 PERMIT
          STC 1.A OP
          STC 23 OP
          STC No. 26 OP
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Description: On July 30, 2018, HRLP submitted to the TCEQ a deviation report. The deviation report documented the following violations at the Refinery for the compliance period of July 1,

2017, through June 30, 2018: HRLP failed to prevent the exceedance of the three-hour rolling average H2S concentration limit of 162 ppmv for the 736 Coker Flare at the Refinery. There was a total of 54 exceedances during 13 separate events for a total of 746 hours from December 23, 2017, through December 30, 2017, and Janua Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter B 115.112(d)(2)(H)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352(2)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354(11)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.764(a)(6)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.782(b)(1)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 117, SubChapter B 117.310(c)(1)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT J 60.104(a)(1)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT J 60.104(a)(2)(i)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT Ja 60.103a(h)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60,482-6(a)(1)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT CC 63.670(e)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT G 63.119(c)(3)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Special Condition 14E PERMIT Special Condition 14H PERMIT Special Condition 25 PERMIT Special Condition 31 PERMIT Special Condition 40E PERMIT

Special Condition 43B PERMIT Special Conditions 4 and 19E PERMIT Special Term & Condition 26 OP Special Term and Condition 1.A OP

Special Terms and Conditions 1.F OP

Description: On January 29, 2019, and July 30, 2019, HRLP submitted to the TCEQ deviation reports. The deviation reports documented the following violations at the Refinery for the

compliance period of July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019: HRLP failed to prevent the exceedance of the three-hour rolling average H2S concentration limit of 162 ppmv for the 736 Coker Flare at the Refinery. The limit was exceeded intermittently for a total of 209 hours, ranging from 163 ppmv to 1,775 ppmv from November 11, 2018

Classification: Major

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: SC No. 1 PERMIT

Description: On September 3, 2019, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions

event.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: SPECIAL CONDITION 1 PERMIT

Description: On March 25, 2018, HLRP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions

event.

Classification: Major

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

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30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter F 101.223(a)(2) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)
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Description: HRLP has failed to obtain TCEQ approval of a CAP related to the excessive emissions event. Accordingly, HRLP failed to obtain TCEQ approval of a CAP within 120 days after the TCEQ received the first CAP submission. On December 18, 2019, the TCEQ requested a Corrective Action Plan ("CAP") relating to the September 3, 2019 excessive emissions event at HRLP's Refinery. HRLP was required to obtain approval of a CAP by May 6,

2020, or 120 days from its first CAP submittal.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: SPECIAL CONDITION 1 PERMIT

Description: On August 6, 2020, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions

event.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On April 12, 2020, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions event.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On September 26, 2018, HLRP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted two separate unauthorized

emissions.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On at least October 23, 2018, HLRP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized

emissions event.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: Specific Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On April 13, 2019, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions event.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On at least April 4, 2019, HLRP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions

event.

Classification: Major

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Pemit 2167 Special Conditions 1 PERMIT

Description: From July 15, 2019, through July 16, 2019, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an

unauthorized emissions event.

Classification: Major

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On August 4, 2019, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions

event.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rqmt Prov: Special Conditions 1 PERMIT

Description: From July 14, 2021, through at least July 16, 2021, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions event. On September 2, 2021, the TCEQ performed an on-site investigation of the incident. the TCEQ investigators were escorted to an external floating roof tank identified as 137TK0420 ("EFR Tank") located in the 137 Tank Farm at the Refinery. The TCEQ observed the roof condition of the EFR Tank and noted large visible holes all across the roof and severe corrosion.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On February 17, 2022, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions

event.

Classification: Major

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter D 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: On March 30, 2022, HRLP caused, suffered, allowed, and/or permitted an unauthorized emissions

event.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2A TWC Chapter 7, SubChapter A 7.101

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT Ja 60.102a(f) 40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT Ja 60.103a(h)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Rgmt Prov: Special Condition 2 PERMIT

Special Conditions 31 PERMIT
Special Term and Condition 1A OP
Special Term and Condition 32 OP

Description: In deviation reports dated January 28, 2022 and July 28, 2022, HRLP documented the following violations at the Refinery: HRLP failed to prevent an exceedance of the permitted three-hour rolling average H2S concentration limit of 162 ppmv for Flare No. 1. Between July 10, 2021 and February 19, 2022, HRLP exceeded its three-hour rolling average H2S limit 98 times with H2S concentrations ranging from 164 ppmv to 46,591 ppmv. HRLP failed to prevent an exceedance of the permitted 12-hour rolling aver

#### B. Criminal convictions:

N/A

### C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

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

Item 1	June 17, 2019	(1583160)
Item 2	July 09, 2019	(1593088)
Item 3	August 06, 2019	(1599434)
Item 4	August 30, 2019	(1582687)
Item 5	September 11, 2019	(1606339)
Item 6	October 18, 2019	(1613185)
Item 7	November 13, 2019	(1589761)
Item 8	November 18, 2019	(1610201)
Item 9	November 27, 2019	(1603443)
Item 10	December 11, 2019	(1626351)
Item 11	January 14, 2020	(1633992)
Item 12	February 17, 2020	(1640611)
Item 13	February 21, 2020	(1611053)
Item 14	February 24, 2020	(1630342)
Item 15	March 05, 2020	(1647131)
Item 16	April 16, 2020	(1653467)
Item 17	May 19, 2020	(1660053)

Item 18	May 26, 2020	(1592462)
Item 19	June 02, 2020	(1455848)
Item 20	June 05, 2020	(1646424)
Item 21	June 11, 2020	(1666556)
Item 22	June 12, 2020	(1646194)
Item 23	June 30, 2020	(1616715)
Item 24	July 14, 2020	(1673514)
Item 25	August 13, 2020	(1680288)
Item 26	August 20, 2020	(1650927)
Item 27	September 15, 2020	(1686859)
Item 28	October 20, 2020	(1693205)
Item 29	November 04, 2020	(1712307)
Item 30	November 10, 2020	(1666365)
Item 31	December 17, 2020	(1712308)
Item 32	February 18, 2021	(1725363)
Item 33	March 09, 2021	(1725364)
Item 34	March 26, 2021	(1684804)
Item 35	March 29, 2021	(1672360)
Item 36	April 14, 2021	(1725365)
Item 37	April 30, 2021	(1711006)
Item 38	May 11, 2021	(1739995)
Item 39	May 27, 2021	(1710706)
Item 40	June 11, 2021	(1739996)
Item 41	June 18, 2021	(1725042)
Item 42	July 09, 2021	(1751655)
Item 43	August 11, 2021	(1757121)
Item 44	September 01, 2021	(1708486)
Item 45	September 13, 2021	(1766140)
Item 46	September 15, 2021	(1678816)
Item 47	October 12, 2021	(1776601)
Item 48	November 04, 2021	(1783571)
Item 49	November 18, 2021	(1747493)
Item 50	December 08, 2021	(1790593)
Item 51	January 18, 2022	(1798389)
Item 52	January 28, 2022	(1771892)
Item 53	February 07, 2022	(1806265)
Item 54	March 10, 2022	(1813328)
Item 55	March 24, 2022	(1760549)
Item 56	April 06, 2022	(1819901)
Item 57	April 11, 2022	(1775083)
Item 58	May 10, 2022	(1828743)
Item 59	June 17, 2022	(1835029)
Item 60	June 28, 2022	(1722793)
Item 61	July 20, 2022	(1842237)
Item 62	August 04, 2022	(1724650)
Item 63	August 12, 2022	(1848372)
Item 64	September 08, 2022	(1856166)
Item 65	October 03, 2022	(1862525)
Item 66	November 14, 2022	(1869441)
Item 67	November 22, 2022	(1852241)
Item 68	November 30, 2022	(1841145)
Item 69	December 15, 2022	(1875286)
Item 70	December 19, 2022	(1834741)
Item 71	January 09, 2023	(1882109)
Item 72	February 14, 2023	(1889926)
Item 73	March 20, 2023	(1898483)
Item 74	April 19, 2023	(1905272)
Item 75	May 08, 2023	(1912457)
Item 76	June 08, 2023	(1912457)
Item 77	June 19, 2023	(1904804)
Item 78	June 22, 2023	(1869172)
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Item 79	July 06, 2023	(1926022)
Item 80	August 10, 2023	(1782571)
Item 81	August 16, 2023	(1932987)
Item 82	August 29, 2023	(1918866)
Item 83	September 08, 2023	(1939121)
Item 84	September 27, 2023	(1930440)
Item 85	October 06, 2023	(1945973)
Item 86	November 08, 2023	(1951665)
Item 87	November 17, 2023	(1925503)
Item 88	December 06, 2023	(1961427)
Item 89	January 02, 2024	(1945903)
Item 90	January 05, 2024	(1968023)
Item 91	February 12, 2024	(1873214)
Item 92	March 08, 2024	(1983651)
Item 93	April 10, 2024	(1990181)
Item 94	June 07, 2024	(1931560)

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

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

1 Date: 08/02/2023 (1840368)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter F 101.201(a)(1)(B)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Description: Failure to submit a notification for a reportable emissions event within 24

hours after the discovery of the event, TCEQ/STEERS Incident No. 382520.

(Category C3).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2167 PERMIT

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

Description: Failure to prevent unauthorized emissions to the atmosphere during an

emissions event that was discovered on July 3, 2022, TCEQ/STEERS Incident

No. 382520.

2 Date: 08/24/2023 (1866433)

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter A 335.10(a)(1)

Provision II.C.1.i PERMIT

Description: Failure to have complete and correct manifest.

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter Q 335.474

Provision II.B.8 PERMIT

Description: Failure to renew the Pollution Prevention (P2) plan before expiration of the

previous P2 plan.

Self Report? NO Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter A 335.6(c)

Provision II.C.1.i PERMIT

Description: Failure to update the NOR.

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Provision V.A.1 PERMIT

Description: Failure to identify authorized units with signs.

3 Date: 12/14/2023 (1925509)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 25 PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent the exceedance of the H2S concentration limit in the fuel

gas for a Mixing Pot (EPN: 338D0408) (Category B13).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 25 PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent the exceedance of the H2S concentration limit in the fuel

gas for Flare No. 1 (EPN: 338K0001) (Category B13).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 25 PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent the exceedance of the H2S concentration limit in the fuel

gas for the 736 Coker Flare (EPN: 736K0101A) (Category B13).

Moderate

Self Report? NO Classification:

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT CC 63.670(e)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 1A OP FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 4 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain the NHVcz above the limit for Flare No. 1 (EPN: 338K0001)

(Category C4).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT CC 63.670(e)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 1A OP FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 4 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain the NHVcz above the limit for Flare No. 3 (EPN: 338K0007)

(Category C4).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT CC 63.670(e)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 4 PERMIT Special Term and Condition 1A OP

Description: Failure to maintain the NHVcz above the limit for Flare No. 4 (EPN: 338K0008)

(Category C4).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT CC 63.670(e)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 1A OP FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 4 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain the NHVcz above the limit for the 736 Coker Flare (EPN:

736K0101A) (Category C4).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT CC 63.670(e)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 1A OP FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 4 PERMIT

Description: Failure to maintain the NHVcz above the limit for Flare No. 1 (EPN: 338K0001)

(Category C4).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 31A PERMIT NSR Special Condition 64Biib PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent the exceedance of hourly concentration limits for SO2 and

CO for the 435 TGTO (EPN: 435F1402) (Category B13).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 31A PERMIT NSR Special Condition 64Biib PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent the exceedance of hourly concentration limits for SO2 and

Classification:

Moderate

CO for the 440 TGTO (EPN: 440F2002) (Category B13).

Self Report? NO

Citation:

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c)

30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4) 5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b)

FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 33F PERMIT

Description: Failure to degas Sulfur Storage Tank 871 (EPN: 430TK0871) prior to loading

(Category B18g(1)).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter H 115.725(d)(4) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 1A OP

Description: Failure to collect a sample during HRVOC analyzer downtime for two Flares

(EPNs: 736K0101A and 338K0001) (Category B1).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter B 115.112(d)(2)(H) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 63, SubChapter C, PT 63, SubPT WW 63.1063(b)(1)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 1A OP FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 59 PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent the floating roof from landing on its legs for Storage Tank

564 (EPN: 135TK0564) (Category C4).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 117, SubChapter B 117.310(c)(1) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 1A OP

Description: Failure to prevent the exceedance of the rolling 24-hour CO concentration

limit for Heater F001 (EPN: 737F0001) (Category B13).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT Kb 60.113b(a)(4)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 1A OP FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 2 PERMIT

Description: Failure to conduct the 10-year inspection for Storage Tank 4002 (EPN:

430TK4002) (Category B1).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT J 60.103(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 1A OP FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP NSR Special Condition 2 PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent the exceedance of the hourly CO concentration limit for the

Wet Gas Scrubber (EPN: 732D0063) (Category B13).

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.115(c) 30 TAC Chapter 122, SubChapter B 122.143(4)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT Ja 60.102a(f)(1)(i)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) FOP Special Term and Condition 32 OP Special Condition 26 PERMIT Special Term and Condition 1A OP

Description: Failure to prevent the exceedance of the rolling 12-hour average SO2

concentration for the shared exhaust stack of the 435 and 440 TGTOs (EPNs:

435F1402 and 440F2002) (Category B13).

4 Date: 01/31/2024 (1977086)

Self Report? YES Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description: Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

5 Date: 05/29/2024 (1903196)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

5C THSC Chapter 382 382.085(b) Special Condition 1 PERMIT

Description: Failure to prevent unauthorized emissions to the atmosphere during an

emissions event that was discovered on May 1, 2023, TCEQ/STEERS Incident

No. 399778 [Category B18.g(13)].

#### F. Environmental audits:

Notice of Intent Date: 10/04/2019 (1603598)

Disclosure Date: 01/30/2020

Viol. Minor

Classification:

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.20(1)

30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.352(4) 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.482-6(a)(1)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Special Conditions No. 14.E

Description: Failed to prevent open-ended lines. Specifically, an open-ended line was found: 632P007.

Viol. Minor

Classification:

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 101, SubChapter A 101.20(1)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

40 CFR Chapter 60, SubChapter C, PT 60, SubPT VV 60.486(c)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Special Conditions No. 14.K

Description: Failed to adequately complete leaking component repair records. Specifically, leaking component

repair records dating back to January 1, 2017 were reviewed and 30 records were found with a

missing repair method logged.

Viol. Minor

Classification:

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 115, SubChapter D 115.354(2)

30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Special Conditions No. 14.F

Description: Failed to monitor all valves. Specifically, 29 valves at #5 Lift Station were not monitored in the third

quarter 2019.

Viol. Major

Classification:

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter B 116.110(a)

Description: Failed to obtain authorization prior to constructing or modifying a source of air contaminants.

Specifically, two portable diesel pump engines were discovered on the oil water sewer system and

NESHAP sewer system that were not properly authorized.

Viol. Moderate

Classification:

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 116, SubChapter G 116.715(a)

Rqmt Prov: PERMIT Special Conditions 65.B

Description: Failed to record accurate vacuum truck loading exhaust VOC breakthrough data for five loadings

during 2019.

Viol. Minor

Classification:

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter A 335.6(c)

Description: Failed to provide written notification of all waste streams and associated WMUs. Specifically, one

manifest was found from 2018 with EPA waste code D003, but this code was not on the Notice of Registration (NOR) and WMU 002 (empty container storage area) was missing the state waste code.

Viol. Minor

Classification:

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 262, SubChapter I, PT 262, SubPT A 262.11

40 CFR Chapter 265, SubChapter I, PT 265, SubPT I 265.173(a)

30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter E 335.112(a)(8) 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter H 335.262(c)(2)(F) 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter R 335.503(a) 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter R 335.504 30 TAC Chapter 335, SubChapter C 335.62

Description: Failed to properly classify, store, and label wastes. Specifically, three drums of universal waste were

not properly labeled "Universal Waste Paint and Paint related Waste, two drums in the abrasive blasting area in the HO Tank Farm were open, five drums of unknown waste were located south of tank 810, and 10 drums of unknown waste were located at the Clean Harbors hydroblasting area.

Notice of Intent Date: 02/20/2023 (1881005)

Disclosure Date: 08/18/2023

Viol. Minor

Classification:

Citation: 40 CFR Chapter 262, SubChapter I, PT 262, SubPT A 262.17(a)(1)(vi)(B)

Description: Failed to have a visible "No Smoking" sign per 40 CFR 262.17(a)(1)(vi)(B) at an ignitable waste

accumulation area (the Wash Pad/Hydroblast Area).

#### 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 HOUSTON REFINING LP RN100218130

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**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY** 

#### AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2023-1786-AIR-E

#### I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On	the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the
Commission" or "TC	Q") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement
action regarding Hou	ton Refining LP (the "Respondent") under the authority of Tex. Health $\&$
SAFETY CODE ch. 382	nd Tex. Water Code ch. 7. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through
the Enforcement Div	ion, and the Respondent together stipulate that:

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates a petroleum refinery located at 12000 Lawndale Street in Houston, Harris County, Texas (the "Plant"). The Plant consists or consisted of one or more sources as defined in Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.003(12).
- 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. Health & Safety Code ch. 382 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 \$26,550 is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent paid \$21,240 of the penalty and \$5,310 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 July 27, 2023, the Respondent repaired the water leaks in the Flare Gas Recovery System in order to comply with the hydrogen sulfide ("H2S") concentration limit of the fuel gas for the No. 2 Plant Flare, Emissions Point Number ("EPN") 338K0002.

#### II. ALLEGATIONS

During a record review for the Plant conducted from August 22, 2023 through November 20, 2023, an investigator documented that the Respondent failed to comply with the H2S concentration limit of the fuel gas, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 101.20(3), 116.715(a), and 122.143(4), Flexible Permit Nos. 2167 and PSDTX985, Special Conditions No. 25, Federal Operating Permit No. O1372, General Terms and Conditions and Special Terms and Conditions No. 32, and Tex. Health & Safety Code § 382.085(b). Specifically, the Respondent exceeded the H2S concentration limit of approximately 160 parts per million by volume ("ppmv") on a three-hour rolling average basis by a range from 12 ppmv to 20,692 ppmv for a total of 80 hours on eight days from December 24, 2022 to May 20, 2023 for the No. 2 Plant Flare, Emissions Point Number ("EPN") 338K0002.

#### 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: Houston Refining LP, Docket No. 2023-1786-AIR-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 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.

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#### SIGNATURE PAGE

#### TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission	Date
Custo	9/3/2024
For the Executive Director	Date
I, the undersigned, have read and understand the atta the attached Order, and I do agree to the terms and c acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for on such representation.	conditions specified therein. I further
I also understand that failure to comply with the Ord and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may	
<ul> <li>A negative impact on compliance history;</li> <li>Greater scrutiny of any permit applications sub</li> <li>Referral of this case to the OAG for contempt, i and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;</li> <li>Increased penalties in any future enforcement a Automatic referral to the OAG of any future enforcement.</li> <li>TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.</li> </ul>	njunctive relief, additional penalties, actions; forcement actions; and
In addition, any falsification of any compliance documents	ments may result in criminal prosecution.
Sugh	7/17/2024
Signature	Date
Greg Nevermann	Site Manager, Houston Refinery
Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of Houston Refining LP	Title

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