

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

## AGENDA ITEM REQUEST

for Consideration of Resolution

**AGENDA REQUESTED:** July 17, 2024

**DATE OF REQUEST:** June 28, 2024

**INDIVIDUAL TO CONTACT REGARDING CHANGES TO THIS REQUEST, IF NEEDED:** Corey Bowling, Agenda Coordinator, (512) 239-6089

**CAPTION: Docket No. 2024-0065-RES.** Consideration of a Resolution to appoint new members and reappoint existing members to the Water Utility Operator Licensing Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee). The resolution will appoint five (5) new members to replace outgoing members and appoint two (2) existing members to an additional term.

The Advisory Committee operates through the Occupational Licensing Section of the Occupational Licensing and Registration Division (OLRD) and provides assistance and advice to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on matters related to the training and licensing of water and wastewater operators. The Advisory Committee was created pursuant to 30 TAC Chapter 5, Advisory Committees and Groups, and consists of 13 members, representing various water and wastewater regulated entities, from diverse geographic areas of the state, ethnic groups, businesses, government entities, associations, and industries. The OLRD solicited nominees by sending direct correspondence to all interested TCEQ-licensed persons in the industry, as well as by asking current members to recommend potential members. A Notice of Request for Nominations was published in the February 9, 2024, issue of the *Texas Register* (49 TexReg 747). (Paul Munguia, Alicia Ramirez) (Rule Project No. 2024-012-RES-NR)


  
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# Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

## Interoffice Memorandum

**To:** Commissioners **Date:** June 28, 2024

**Thru:** Laurie Gharis, Chief Clerk  
Kelly Keel, Executive Director

**From:** Beth Seaton, Director   
Office of Waste

**Docket No.:** 2024-0065-RES

**Subject:** Consideration of a Resolution to Appoint Members to the Water Utility Operator Licensing Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee)  
Non-Rule Project No. 2024-012-RES-NR

### Requested Action:

Executive director staff request the commission's approval for the appointment of seven nominees to replace the Advisory Committee members whose terms expire on August 31, 2024. The individuals recommended to fill these seven vacancies are: Larry Bell (reappointment), Adam Farguson, David Garza (reappointment), Zachary Lillie, Eduardo Montaña, Wesly Nebgen, and Leanne Wilson. Their four-year terms will run from September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2028.

### Water Utility Operator Licensing Advisory Committee Background:

The Advisory Committee was created pursuant to 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 5, Advisory Committees and Groups, to consist of 13 members, who represent various water and wastewater regulated entities, and are from diverse geographic areas of the state, ethnic groups, businesses, government entities, associations, and industries. The Advisory Committee operates through the Occupational Licensing Section of the Occupational Licensing and Registration Division (OLRD), assisting and advising the commission on matters related to the training and licensing of water and wastewater operators.

### Solicitation of Nominees:

OLRD solicited nominees by sending direct correspondence to all interested TCEQ-licensed persons in the industry, as well as by asking current members to recommend potential members. In addition, a Notice of Request for Nominations was published in the February 9, 2024, issue of the *Texas Register* (49 TexReg 747). A total of 45 nominations were received to fill the seven vacant positions.

### Recommended Nominees:

Below please find a summary of recommended nominees' background. Their detailed qualifications are provided in Attachment B.

#### ***Bell, Larry (City of Huntington, TCEQ Region 10) (reappointment)***

Mr. Bell is a Wire Circuit Rider, EPA Training Specialist, and Texas Rural Water Association (TRWA) Technical Assistant. He holds a TCEQ Class A Water license. Mr. Bell has been a part of the TCEQ Dam Inspection Sub-Committee, the Cross-Connection Control Committee, and the Drinking Water Advisory Work Group. He has also held the position of Program Chairman for the Texas Water Utility Association (TWUA).

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***Ferguson, Adam (City of Haslet, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Ferguson is the Assistant Water Systems Superintendent for the City of Fort Worth. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses and is a member of the American Water Works Association (AWWA).

***Garza, David (City of McAllen, TCEQ Region 15) (reappointment)***

Mr. Garza is the Director of Wastewater Systems for McAllen Public Utility. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses and is a member of the TWUA, the AWWA, and the Water Environment Federation (WEF).

***Lillie, Zachary (City of San Leon, TCEQ Region 12)***

Mr. Lillie is the Assistant Director of Utilities for the City of Pearland. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses and is a member of the TWUA and the AWWA.

***Montaña, Eduardo (City of Buda, TCEQ Region 11)***

Mr. Montaña is the Division Manager for Hays and Caldwell counties. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses and is a member of the TWUA.

***Nebgen, Wesley (City of Corpus Christi, TCEQ Region 14)***

Mr. Nebgen is the Wastewater Director for Corpus Christi. He holds TCEQ Class A Water, Class A Wastewater, and Customer Service Inspector (CSI) licenses and is a member of the AWWA and the Water Environment Association of Texas (WEAT).

***Wilson, Leanne (City of Denison, TCEQ Region 4)***

Ms. Wilson is the Director of Public Works for the City of Aubrey. She holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses and is a member of the TWUA.

**Additional Considerations:**

A consideration during the selection process is diverse representation. If the recommended nominees are approved, there will be three members from TCEQ Region 4. However, they each provide representation for different populations of the region. Joseph McDaniel is an existing member who is a Field Supervisor for Aqua Texas, Inc., which serves over 20 rural counties in North Texas. We are recommending Adam Ferguson, who is the Assistant Water Systems Superintendent for the City of Fort Worth (serving an urban city), and Leanne Wilson, who is the Director of Public Works for the City of Aubrey (serving a rural city).

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**Attachments:**

A. Map (showing the WUOLAC geographical representation throughout Texas)

B. Details of Recommended Nominees

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C. Summary of Current Members

D. Detailed Summary of all Other Nominations

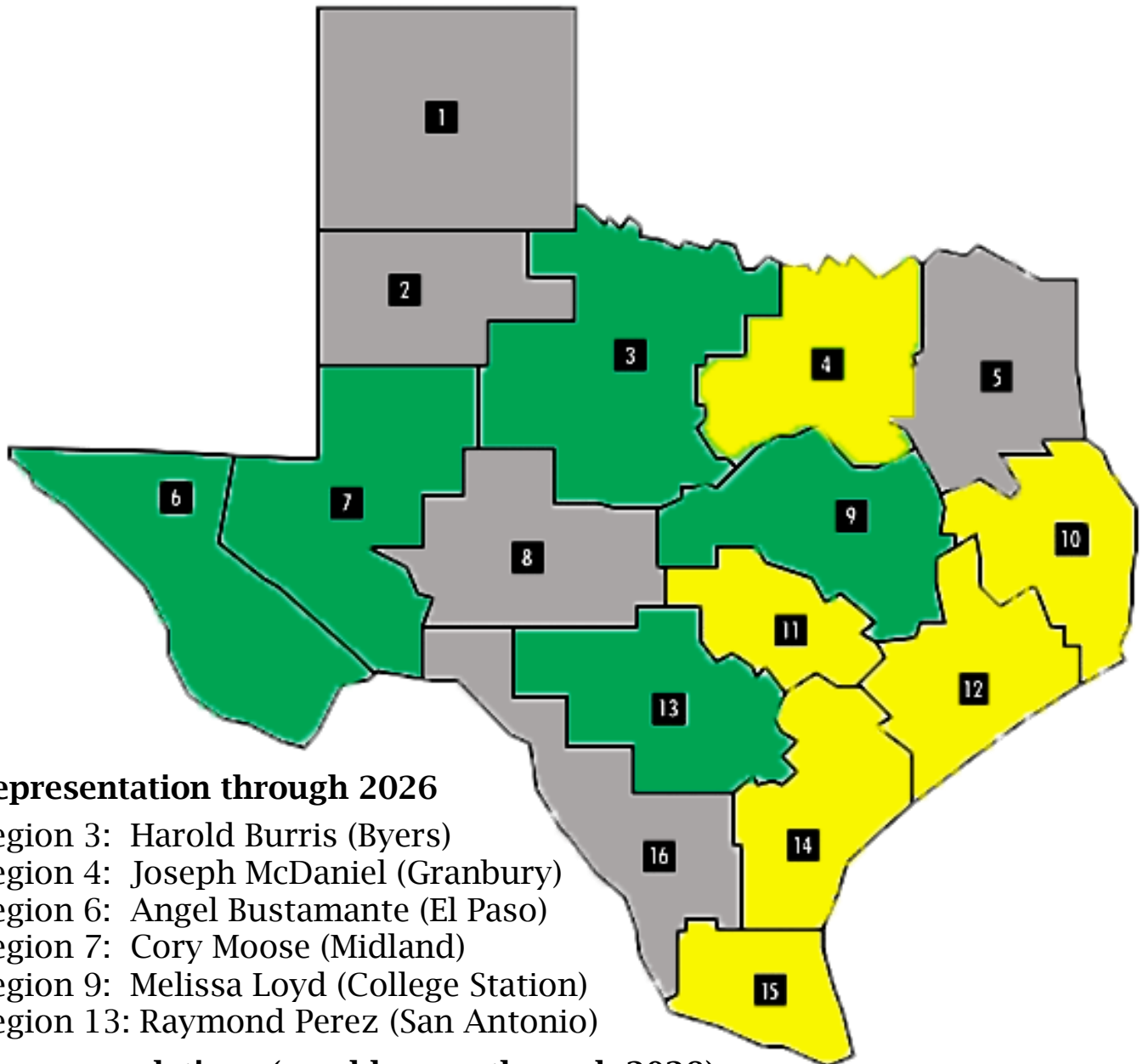
E. *Texas Register* Solicitation of Nominees

F. Draft Resolution

cc: Chief Clerk, 7 copies

## ATTACHMENT A – Map of WUOLAC Representation

# WUOLAC Representation (13 members)



### Representation through 2026

- Region 3: Harold Burris (Byers)
- Region 4: Joseph McDaniel (Granbury)
- Region 6: Angel Bustamante (El Paso)
- Region 7: Cory Moose (Midland)
- Region 9: Melissa Loyd (College Station)
- Region 13: Raymond Perez (San Antonio)



### Recommendations (would serve through 2028)

- Region 4: Adam Farguson (Haslet)
- Region 4: Leanne Wilson (Denison)
- Region 10: Larry Bell (Huntington)
- Region 11: Eduardo Montaña (Buda)
- Region 12: Zachary Lillie (San Leon)
- Region 14: Wesley Nebgen (Corpus Christi)
- Region 15: David Garza (McAllen)



### No Representation

## ATTACHMENT B – Recommended Nominees

### Nominees Recommended for Reappointment

#### **Bell, Larry (City of Huntington, TCEQ Region 10) – Reapply**

**TCEQ License:** Class A Water. **Employment:** Wire Circuit Rider, EPA Training Specialist, and Texas Rural Water Association (TRWA) Technical Assistant **Reason:** Having served on this committee in the past, I feel I'd be able to add valuable experiential knowledge as well as regulatory perspective, which should help develop regulations and exams used to qualify license applicants for new licenses or upgrading their existing license(s). **Goal:** I would like to assist in the development of practical experience and regulatory qualifications that can be used to create fact-based exams. These types of goals should allow for new operators to have the knowledge necessary to provide the citizens of Texas the safest water quality from their taps. **Associations:** TCEQ Dam Inspection Sub-Committee, TCEQ Cross-Connection Control Committee, TCEQ Drinking Water Advisory Work Group, WUOLAC and former Program Chairman for the Texas Water Utility Association (TWUA) Central East Texas Water Chapter.

#### **Garza, David (City of McAllen, TCEQ Region 15) – Reapply**

**TCEQ Licenses:** Class A Water and Class A Wastewater. **Employment:** Director of Wastewater Systems for McAllen Public Utility. **Reason:** With over 20 years of experience in the utility's profession and as an instructor of Water and Wastewater courses, I would like to contribute to a profession that I truly believe in that protects public health, protects the environment, provides fire protection, growth of the economy, and quality of life services. **Goal:** To learn from others. There are so many well-respected utility professionals that we need to share our knowledge with each other, so that we can continue to grow professionally. **Associations:** TWUA, the American Water Works Association (AWWA), the Water Environment Federation (WEF) and WUOLAC.

### New Recommended Nominees

#### **Ferguson, Adam (City of Haslet, TCEQ Region 4)**

**TCEQ Licenses:** Class A Water and Class A Wastewater. **Employment:** Assistant Water Systems Superintendent, City of Fort Worth. **Reason:** I would love to use my unique experience as dual certified A operator and TCEQ qualified instructor to assist TCEQ in working to build training and educational material that are informative, educational and allow operators and future operators to meet their licensing goals. I would like to help with reviewing licensing requirements, give input on rules, regulations, and guidelines to better understand the requirements and be a part of the process that goes into creating these guidelines. **Goal:** I would like to be able to make sure that training is widely available and educational material is easy to understand and informative to help attract new operators and help current operators advance their knowledge base. I would like work to have exam material that reach a diverse workforce by providing training material in different languages. I would like to build relationships across industries and outside organizations to better understand their training and educational needs to help make the best recommendations as part of the committee. **Associations:** AWWA.

## ATTACHMENT B – Recommended Nominees

### **Lillie, Zachary (City of San Leon, TCEQ Region 12)**

**TCEQ Licenses:** Class A Water and Class A Wastewater. **Employment:** Assistant Director of Utilities for the City of Pearland. **Reason:** I would like to help improve the licensing program objectives by utilizing my experience in water utilities. I like what I do and feel that by participating in this program I could be a valuable resource for stake holders. As a lifelong public servant this is a way of giving back to the citizens and visitors of the State of Texas. **Goal:** I feel it would be important to track and identify key metrics of individuals attaining licenses in the State of Texas and increase the number of D water and D wastewater exams administered and the pass rate. Advocate for introducing licensing opportunities to industrial programs at the high school level. **Associations:** TWUA and AWWA.

### **Montaña, Eduardo (City of Buda, TCEQ Region 11)**

**TCEQ Licenses:** Class A Water and Class A Wastewater. **Employment:** Division Manager for Hays and Caldwell counties. **Reason:** I have been working for the City of Lockhart and Guadalupe Blanco River Authority (GBRA) water and wastewater for over 35 years. I started out as an entry-level wastewater operator, was promoted to wastewater chief operator, promoted to water and wastewater chief operator, and promoted to Division Manager for Hays and Caldwell counties operations. I bring a practical operator's perspective as well as a manager's perspective to the WUOLAC. With these perspectives, I will be able to contribute to the committee on several levels. **Goal:** I would like to learn more about the WUOLAC committee and provide the information I learn from WUOLAC meetings to Guadalupe Blanco River Authority's water and wastewater operators. I will convey this information during the GBRA operations staff meetings held monthly. I also plan to provide WUOLAC information to Guadalupe Valley TWUA operators. **Associations:** TWUA.

### **Nebgen, Wesley (City of Corpus Christi, TCEQ Region 14)**

**TCEQ Licenses:** Class A Water, Class A Wastewater, and Customer Service Inspector. **Employment:** Wastewater Director for Corpus Christi. **Reason:** I wish to bring my knowledge and background in operations to the committee with the hope I can add meaningful changes to the process. **Goal:** 1. Learn more about the process for determining licensing criteria. 2. Help standardize many of the questions or "gray areas" that I have heard from my employees. **Associations:** AWWA and Water Environmental Association of Texas (WEAT).

### **Wilson, Leanne (City of Denison, TCEQ Region 4)**

**TCEQ Licenses:** Class A Water and A Wastewater. **Employment:** Director of Public Works for the City of Aubrey. **Reason:** I would like to be considered for the advisory board to represent water and wastewater professionals and help to provide education and training relevant to provide quality water and wastewater services to the public. **Goal:** My goal is to provide assistance in subject matters and help to ensure regulations, training and guidance materials reflect the challenges facing the water and wastewater industry. **Associations:** TWUA.

## **ATTACHMENT C – Summary of Current Members**

### **Members terms ending August 31, 2024**

#### ***Bell, Larry (City of Huntington, TCEQ Region 10)***

Mr. Bell is a Wire Circuit Rider, EPA Training Specialist, and Texas Rural Water Association (TRWA) Technical Assistant. He holds a TCEQ Class A Water license. Mr. Bell has been a part of the TCEQ Dam Inspection Sub-Committee, Cross-Connection Control Committee, and Drinking Water Advisory Work Group. He has also held the position of Program Chairman for the Texas Water Utility Association (TWUA) Central East Texas Water Chapter.

#### ***Garza, David (City of McAllen, TCEQ Region 15)***

Mr. Garza is the Director of Wastewater Systems for McAllen Public Utility. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses. He is also a member of TWUA, American Water Works Association (AWWA), and Water Environmental Federation (WEF).

#### ***Harris, David (City of Seguin, TCEQ Region 13)***

Mr. Harris is the Deputy Executive Manager of Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA). He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater, Municipal Solid Waste, and Customer Service Inspector licenses. Mr. Harris is a member of the Texas Municipal Utility Association (TMUA), TWUA, and TRWA. He was also a member of WUOLAC (1998) and a Texas Municipal League Affiliate Board Representative (2009-2016).

#### ***Hollingsworth, Jake (City of League City, TCEQ Region 12)***

Mr. Hollingsworth is a strategy and performance manager for Gulf Coast Water Authority. He holds a TCEQ Class B Surface Water license. Mr. Hollingsworth is a member of AWWA, American Public Works Association, Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies, and Institute of Asset Management.

#### ***Menard, Karen (City of Flower Mound, TCEQ Region 4)***

Ms. Menard is a Wholesale Services Division Manager for the City of Dallas Water Utilities. She holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses. Ms. Menard is the Chair of Consumer Outreach Committee for the Texas Section of AWWA (TAWWA), a member of WEF, WEAT, and the Texas Water Development Board's Water Conservation Advisory Council.

#### ***Starr, Robb (City of Kountze, TCEQ Region 10)***

Mr. Starr is the District Manager for Lumberton Municipal Utility District (MUD). He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class B Groundwater licenses and is a member of TWUA. He is also the current WUOLAC president.

#### ***Ybanez, Crystal (City of Corpus Christi, TCEQ Region 14)***

Ms. Ybanez is a Water Quality Manager at the City of Corpus Christi. She holds TCEQ Class A Water, Class A Wastewater, and Customer Service Inspector licenses. Ms. Ybanez is a member of AWWA, Texas AWWA, and participates in the TCEQ EnviroMentor Program.



## **ATTACHMENT C – Summary of Current Members**

### **Members terms ending August 31, 2026**

#### ***Burris, Harold (City of Byers, TCEQ Region 3)***

Mr. Burris is the superintendent for the City of Byers. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses, and is a member of AWWA, TWUA, and Water Environment Association (WEAT).

#### ***Bustamante, Angel (City of El Paso, TCEQ Region 6)***

Mr. Bustamante is an engineer and the water operations manager for the City of El Paso. He holds a TCEQ Class A Water license and is a member of TCEQ's Drinking Water Advisory Work Group and a member of TAWWA.

#### ***Loyd, Melissa (City of College Station, Region 9)***

Ms. Loyd is the supervisor of water and wastewater production for Texas A&M Utilities & Energy Services. She holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses and is a member of AWWA, Texas Rural Water Association (TRWA), and TWUA.

#### ***McDaniel, Joseph (City of Granbury, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. McDaniel is a Field Supervisor for Aqua Texas, Inc. where he supervises 41 systems with 72 wells. He holds TCEQ Class A Water, Class B Wastewater, Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester, and Customer Service Inspector licenses. He is a member of TAWWA, TWUA, WUOLAC, and a TCEQ EnviroMentor.

#### ***Moose, Cory (City of Midland, TCEQ Region 7)***

Mr. Moose is an Assistant Utilities Director for the City of Midland. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses and is a member of TAWWA, TWUA, WEF – Workforce Development Committee, and WEAT.

#### ***Perez, Raymond (City of San Antonio, TCEQ Region 13)***

Mr. Perez is the Director of Treatment Operations and Maintenance for San Antonio Water System (SAWS). He holds a TCEQ Class A Wastewater license and is a member of WEAT.

## **ATTACHMENT D – Summary of All Other Nominations**

### ***Archer III, Robert (City of Denton, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Archer is a Training Specialist for the Texas Rural Water Association (TRWA). He holds TCEQ Class A Water, Class B Wastewater, Wastewater Collection III, and Customer Service Inspector (CSI) licenses and is a member of the Texas Section American Water Works Association (TAWWA) and Texas Rural Water Association (TRWA).

### ***Barbian, Ivan (City of Plano, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Barbian is a Wastewater Manager for Dallas Water Utilities. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Wastewater Collection I licenses and is also a member of the American Water Works Association (AWWA).

### ***Carrillo, Antonio (City of Edinburg, TCEQ Region 15)***

Mr. Carrillo is an Assistant General Manager for Olmito Water Supply Corporation. He holds a TCEQ Class A Water license.

### ***Cummings, Geoffrey (City of Richmond, TCEQ Region 12)***

Mr. Cummings is the Assistant Public Works Maintenance Manager for the City of Houston. He holds TCEQ Class B Water and Wastewater Collection III licenses. He is also a member of American Public Works Association (APWA), America Samoa Power Authority, and Texas Water Utility Association (TWUA).

### ***Denton, Terry (City of Littlefield, TCEQ Region 2)***

Mr. Denton is the Utility Director for the City of Littlefield. He holds TCEQ Class A Water, Class C Wastewater, and CSI licenses. He is a member of APWA, National Rural Water Association, and TWUA.

### ***Fielden, Nicholas (City of Houston, TCEQ Region 12)***

Mr. Fielden is the Houston Public Works Operations Section Chief. He holds a TCEQ Class A Water license and is a member of TAWWA.

### ***Friend, Anaki (City of Glenn Heights, TCEQ Region 4)***

Ms. Friend is a Senior Chemist at the City of Dallas. She holds a TCEQ Class A Water license.

### ***Gallardo, Zackary (City of Waco, TCEQ Region 9)***

Mr. Gallardo is a Water Operator for the City of Waco. He holds a TCEQ Class B Surface Water license and is a member of TWUA.

### ***Harbison, Troy (City of Frankston, TCEQ Region 5)***

Mr. Harbison is the General Manager for Brushy Creek WSC. He holds TCEQ Class C Ground Water, Class C Water Distribution, and Class C Surface Water licenses.

### ***Haydon, Eric (City of Laguna Vista, TCEQ Region 15)***

Mr. Haydon is the Operations Manager for the East Rio Hondo WSC. He holds Class A Water, Class A Wastewater, and Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester (BPAT) licenses. He is a member of TAWWA, TWUA, TRWA Emerging Leaders, and a K.L. Larry Lewis Scholarship Board Member.

## **ATTACHMENT D – Summary of All Other Nominations**

### ***Hendrix, Dennis (City of Pflugerville, TCEQ Region 11)***

Mr. Hendrix is a Contract Manager for a number of Municipal Utility Districts. He holds TCEQ Class C Groundwater and Class C Wastewater licenses, and he is a member of TWUA.

### ***Hicks, Angela (City of Frankston, TCEQ Region 5)***

Ms. Hicks manages and operates 20 Water and Wastewater systems in East Texas. She holds TCEQ Class D Water and Class D Wastewater licenses. She is a former TCEQ investigator and a member of AWWA and TWUA.

### ***Hicks, Robert (City of Bend, TCEQ Region 9)***

Mr. Hicks is the Director of State Operations for Corix Utilities Texas. He holds TCEQ Class A Water, Class A Wastewater, BPAT, and CSI licenses, and is a member of TWUA.

### ***Higgins, Jr., Jerry (City of Krum, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Higgins is a Training Specialist for TRWA. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses, and is a member of the Independent Water and Sewer Companies of Texas (IWSCOT) and TWUA.

### ***High, Kenneth (City of Cypress, TCEQ Region 12)***

Mr. High is the President and CEO of Environmental & Technical Services, Inc. He holds TCEQ Class A Water, Class A Wastewater, and CSI licenses. He is a member of AWWA, TWUA, Water Environment Federation (WEF), and the Association of Water Board Directors – Texas.

### ***Hoyt, Bradlee (City of Seymour, TCEQ Region 3)***

Mr. Hoyt is a Reverse Osmosis (RO) plant operator. He holds Class A Water and Class D Wastewater licenses.

### ***Jackson, Zachary (City of Terrell, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Jackson is an Operations Training and Development Manager for the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) South Mesquite Wastewater Treatment Plant. He holds a TCEQ Class A Wastewater license and is a member of TWUA, Water Environment Association of Texas (WEAT), and WEF.

### ***Jose, Cijo (City of Fort Worth, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Jose is the Chief Operator for the City of Mesquite. He holds a Class A Water license and is a member of AWWA and TWUA.

### ***Keys, Mauriece (City of Dallas, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Keys did not list any work history. He holds a TCEQ Class A Wastewater license and is a member of the North Texas Centrifugal Force and WEAT.

### ***Kisner, Jr., Scott (City of Arlington, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Kisner is an Environmental Services Coordinator for the Trinity River Authority. He holds a TCEQ Class A Wastewater license and is a member of TAWWA, TWUA, WEF and a Chemistry Expert Committee.

## **ATTACHMENT D – Summary of All Other Nominations**

### ***Kivlan, Michael (City of Haslet, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Kivlan is an Area Manager for Southwest Water Company. He holds a TCEQ Class A Water license and is a member of North Central Texas Council of Governments (NTCOG).

### ***Kuhn, Shaun (City of San Angelo, TCEQ Region 8)***

Mr. Kuhn is a Water Plant Supervisor. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Wastewater licenses.

### ***Lehnick, Michael (City of Temple, TCEQ Region 9)***

Mr. Lehnick is the Operations Supervisor for Brazos River Authority. He holds TCEQ Class A Wastewater and Class C Groundwater licenses. He is a member of AWWA, South Central Membrane Association (SCMA), TRWA, and TWUA.

### ***Lockard, Kenneth (City of Gonzales, TCEQ Region 14)***

Mr. Lockard is a retired Contract Operator for Coupland Water Supply Company. He holds a TCEQ Class A Wastewater license and is a member of TWUA.

### ***Locke, Richard (City of Mexia, TCEQ Region 9)***

Mr. Locke is General Manager for Bristone Municipal Sewer Water District. He holds a TCEQ Class A Water license and is a member of AWWA and TWUA.

### ***Mason, Lance (City of Blanco, TCEQ Region 11)***

Mr. Mason is a Senior Principal Consultant for Brown and Caldwell. He holds a TCEQ Class A Wastewater license and is a member of TWUA and WEAT.

### ***McCain, Sid (City of Euless, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. McCain is a Project Manager for a wholesale water plant. He holds a TCEQ Class Water license and is a member of AWWA, Texas Planning Committee, and TWUA.

### ***Monfreda, Matthew (City of Brenham, TCEQ Region 9)***

Mr. Monfreda is the CEO of Oasis Water Management Services, LLC. He holds TCEQ Class A Water, Class A Wastewater, Landscape Irrigator, Water Treatment Specialist III, BPAT, and CSI licenses. He is also an OSSF apprentice and a member of TRWA and TWUA.

### ***Mora, Rutilio (City of Robstown, TCEQ Region 14)***

Mr. Mora is a City Engineer and Floodplain Manager for the City of Kingsville. He holds TCEQ Class A Wastewater, Wastewater Collection III, Class B Groundwater, and Class C Water Distribution licenses. He is a member of TAWWA, TWUA, and WEAT.

### ***Perry, Christopher (City of Hurst, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Perry is the Director of Utilities for the City of Hurst. He holds TCEQ Class B Groundwater and Wastewater Collection II licenses. He is a member of AWWA, TAWWA, TRWA, and TWUA.

### ***Ridgway, Joseph (City of College Station, TCEQ Region 9)***

Mr. Ridgway is a Wastewater Operator II. He holds TCEQ Class B Wastewater, Wastewater Collection II, Class C Surface, and Class C Distribution licenses. He is a member of TWUA and a former Hilltop Lakes Water Board Member.

## **ATTACHMENT D – Summary of All Other Nominations**

### ***Rohwedder, William (City of Canyon Lake, TCEQ Region 13)***

Mr. Rohwedder is the Chief Operator for New Braunfels Utilities. He holds TCEQ Class A Water, Class C Wastewater, and CSI licenses, and is a member of TWUA.

### ***Rouse, Kelly (City of Argyle, TCEQ Region 4)***

Mr. Rouse is the Assistant Director of Public Services for the City of Lewisville. He holds Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses and is a member of NCTCOG and WEAT.

### ***Schlicke, Jeremy (City of Kingsland, TCEQ Region 11)***

Mr. Schlicke did not provide a work history. He holds a TCEQ Class B Surface Water license and is a member of the Innovation Committee & Safety Committee.

### ***Thaxton, Joseph (City of Bandera, TCEQ Region 13)***

Mr. Thaxton did not provide a work history. He holds Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses and is a Certified Emergency Management member and a member of the Commission of Water and Wastewater Systems in Texas.

### ***Tolley, Teddy (City of College Station, TCEQ Region 9)***

Mr. Tolley is a Groundwater Operator at Epcor. He holds a TCEQ Class D Water license.

### ***Victoria, Gavin (City of Orange, TCEQ Region 10)***

Mr. Victoria is a Utilities Division Manager. He holds TCEQ Class B Waste and Class B Wastewater Collection III licenses.

### ***Vokes, Charles (City of Tulsa, OK, TCEQ Region N/A)***

Mr. Vokes is a retired Director of Utilities in Oklahoma. He holds TCEQ Class A Water and Class A Wastewater licenses and is a member of TAWWA.

setback limitations, production limitations, and updated best management practices.

The results of the updated AQA using the maximum production limits established by the standard permit demonstrate that the amended standard permit is protective based on current effects screening level guidelines and current NAAQS.

#### Overview of Air Quality Standard Permit

The commission issues the amendment to the air quality standard permit for CBPs under the authority of the Texas Clean Air Act (TCAA), THSC, §382.05195, Standard Permit, and 30 TAC Chapter 116, Subchapter F, Standard Permits.

The standard permit analysis is required by statute to include Best Available Control Technology (BACT) for each source. BACT is an emission limitation or control technique that results in the maximum degree of pollution reduction while maintaining technical and economic feasibility. The BACT requirements included in the CBP standard permit are based on existing Tier I BACT requirements as well as review of numerous existing facilities found at typical CBPs. The BACT requirements are considered commonly used for these sources and operation types.

#### Public Notice and Comment Period

In accordance with §116.605, Standard Permit Amendment and Revocation, the TCEQ published notice of the proposed amendment to the standard permit in the *Texas Register* and newspapers of the largest general circulation in the following metropolitan areas: Austin, Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio. The dates of the English-language publications were April 13, 2023, in the *San Antonio Express-News*, and April 14, 2023, in the *Austin-American Statesman*, *Dallas Morning News*, *Houston Chronicle*, and the *Texas Register*. The dates of the Spanish-language newspaper publications (*El Mundo Austin*, *La Prensa de Houston*, *Al Dia Dallas*, and *El Mundo San Antonio*) were April 14, 16, 19, and 20, 2023, respectively. The public comment period ran from the date of publication until 11:59 p.m. on June 14, 2023. Written and oral comments were received.

#### Public Meeting

The commission held a public meeting on this amendment in Austin on May 18, 2023, and oral comments were received for approximately one hour. An informational meeting was held in Houston on May 22, 2023, but oral comments were not accepted at that meeting. Prior to proposal of the amended standard permit, the commission held stakeholder meetings on November 9, 14, and 15, 2022, in Austin, Houston, and Arlington respectively. Interpreters fluent in Spanish were available at the stakeholder meetings, the public meeting in Austin, and the informational meeting in Houston.

#### Analysis of Comments

The commission received comments from numerous commenters. The list of these commenters and summaries of the comments and the commission's response may be found at:

<https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/air/newsourcereview/mechanical/cbp.html>

#### Statutory Authority

This standard permit is issued under THSC, §382.011, General Powers and Duties, which authorizes the commission to control the quality of the state's air; THSC, §382.023, Orders, which authorizes the commission to issue orders necessary to carry out the policy and purposes of the TCAA; THSC, §382.051, Permitting Authority of the Commission; Rules, which authorizes the commission to issue permits, including standard permits for similar facilities for numerous similar sources;

THSC, §382.0513, Permit Conditions, which authorizes the commission to establish and enforce permit conditions consistent with Subchapter C of the TCAA; and THSC, §382.05195, Standard Permit, which authorizes the commission to issue standard permits according to the procedures set out in that section.

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#### Notice of Request for Nominations - Water Utility Operator Licensing Advisory Committee (WUOLAC)

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) is requesting nominations for a total of seven individuals to serve on the TCEQ Water Utility Operator Licensing Advisory Committee (committee).

The committee membership represents various geographic areas of the state, ethnicities, businesses, governments, associations, and industries. If you have served on this advisory committee, nominated someone, or self-nominated in the past, you may do so again. When members' terms expire, the committee representation changes and individuals with varying backgrounds and geographic locations are needed to fill the vacancies.

The authority for the committee is found in 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 5, Advisory Committees and Groups. The 13-member committee's sole duty is to advise the commission regarding water and wastewater operator licensing and training issues and facilitate communication between the commission and the water and wastewater utility industries. The main objectives are to: 1) review training and educational materials to promote quality education and training; 2) review Job Task Analysis and exam validations; 3) advise and assist regarding licensing requirements; 4) assist with the review of rules, regulations, guidance documents, and policy statements; 5) represent a diversity of viewpoints; and 6) promote interaction with outside organizations.

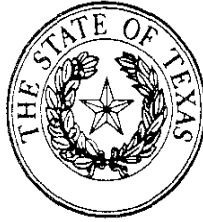
All appointments will be made by the TCEQ commissioners. The term of the appointments will begin September 1, 2024, and serve through August 31, 2028. The committee meets, as needed, usually four times a year. Meetings are held at the TCEQ offices located at 12100 Park 35 Circle in Austin, Texas, or virtually. Meetings last approximately two to four hours. No financial compensation is available. Additional information regarding the Committee is available at the following website: [https://www.tceq.texas.gov/licensing/groups/wuol\\_comm.html](https://www.tceq.texas.gov/licensing/groups/wuol_comm.html).

To nominate an individual or to self-nominate, download and complete the Water Utility Operator Licensing Advisory Committee application from our website (previously listed), or contact us directly to request an application be mailed to you. You may submit a resume in addition to the application, but not in lieu of the application.

**DEADLINE:** Completed applications must be received at TCEQ by 5:00 p.m. on March 12, 2024. Applications will be accepted by email [licenses@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:licenses@tceq.texas.gov) with the Subject line "WUOLAC Nomination", or via United States mail to: Training Specialist, Occupational Licensing Section, MC 178, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

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# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



**A RESOLUTION** To Appoint New Members to the Water Utility Operator Licensing Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) at the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality;  
TCEQ Docket No. 2024-0065-RES  
Non-Rule Project No. 2024-012-RES-NR

**WHEREAS**, Texas Water Code, § 5.107 provides the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ or Commission) with the authority to create and consult with the Advisory Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the 73rd Texas Legislature, 1993, Regular Session, adopted Senate Bill 383, subsequently codified as Texas Government Code, Chapter 2110; and

**WHEREAS**, Commission advisory committees are subject to the Commission's rules regarding such committees pursuant to 30 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 5, Advisory Committees and Groups, the committees' sole duties are to advise the Commission, the committees have no executive or administrative powers with respect to the operation of the Commission, and all such powers and duties rest solely with the Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the following Advisory Committee members will expire on August 31, 2024: Larry Bell, David Garza, David Harris, Jake Hollingsworth, Karen Menard, Robb Starr, and Crystal Ybanez;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**, that the following persons are appointed to the Advisory Council:

Larry Bell (TCEQ license number: WO0009669), reappointed for another four-year term to expire on August 31, 2028;

Adam Farguson (TCEQ license number: WO0049207), whose term shall be effective September 1, 2024, for a four-year term to expire on August 31, 2028;

David Garza (TCEQ license number: WO0017012), reappointed for another four-year term to expire on August 31, 2028;

Zachary Lillie (TCEQ license number: WO0031176), whose term shall be effective September 1, 2024, for a four-year term to expire on August 31, 2028;

Eduardo Montaña (TCEQ license number: WW0017634), whose term shall be effective September 1, 2024, for a four-year term to expire on August 31, 2028;

Wesley Nebgen (TCEQ license number: WW0064307), whose term shall be effective September 1, 2024, for a four-year term to expire on August 31, 2028;

Leanne Wilson (TCEQ license number: WO0002342), whose term shall be effective September 1, 2024, for a four-year term to expire on August 31, 2028.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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Jon Niermann, Chairman

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Date Signed: