

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
AGENDA ITEM REQUEST**

AGENDA REQUESTED: 2/13/2025
DATE OF REQUEST: 11/12/2024
**NAME & NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT REGARDING CHANGES TO THIS
REQUEST, IF NEEDED:** Yen Tran, (512) 239-4610

CAPTION: Docket No. 2024-1812-MIS. Consideration of gifts and donations of \$500.00 or more in value given to the TCEQ, submitted for approval in accordance with Chapter 575 of the Government Code, concerning acceptance of gifts by certain state agencies. (Yen Tran)

Chief Clerk must send Notice of Application/Hearing: N/A

Type of Matter: Miscellaneous

County: All

Uncontested: N/A

Contested: N/A



**David Timberger, Deputy Director
General Law Division**

TCEQ Interoffice Memorandum

To: Kelly Keel *KK*
Executive Director

From: Phillip Ledbetter, Director *PL*
Office of Legal Services

David Timberger, Deputy Director *DT*
General Law Division

Yen Tran, Senior Attorney *YVT*
Contracts, Employment Law and Ethics Section
General Law Division

Date: January 24, 2025

Caption: **Docket No. 2024-1812-MIS:** Consideration of gifts and donations of \$500.00 or more in value given to the TCEQ, submitted for approval in accordance with Chapter 575 of the Government Code, concerning acceptance of gifts and donations by certain agencies.

Attached for your consideration and acceptance are the gifts and donations valued at \$500.00 or more received by the agency for the time period October 15, 2024, through January 24, 2025.

The Executive Director is authorized by Section 5.233 of the Water Code to receive and accept money and other assistance from any source to carry out the powers and duties of the Commission. Following your acceptance, Chapter 575 of the Government Code requires the Commission to acknowledge the acceptance of all gifts of money or property with a value of \$500 or more in an open meeting no later than the 90th day after the date the gift is accepted.

The attached listing describes the gifts made to the agency, including the name of the donor, a description of the gift or donation, and a statement of the purpose of the gift or donation received. We recommend your approval by signature below. Upon your approval, these gifts will be presented to the Commission at the February 13, 2025 Agenda.

I acknowledge and accept the gifts listed in attached on behalf of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.



Kelly Keel
Executive Director

Date: 1/23/2025

TCEQ Interoffice Memorandum

To: Commissioners

Thru: Kelly Keel, Executive Director *KK*

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Date: January 24, 2025

Caption: **Docket No. 2024-1812-MIS;** Consideration of gifts and donations of \$500.00 or more in value given to the TCEQ, submitted for approval in accordance with Chapter 575 of the Government Code, concerning acceptance of gifts and donations by certain agencies.

This item contains, for your consideration, a proposed resolution acknowledging the gifts and donations valued at \$500.00 or more received by the agency for the time period October 15, 2024, through January 24, 2025.

Exhibit A contains the Executive Director's approval of the gifts received, including the name of the donor, a description of the gift or donation, and a statement of the purpose of the gift or donation.

As authorized by Section 5.233 of the Water Code, the Executive Director has accepted these gifts and donations to carry out the powers and duties of the Commission. Chapter 575 of the Government Code requires the Commission to acknowledge the acceptance of all gifts of money or property with a value of \$500 or more in an open meeting no later than the 90th day after the date the gift is accepted.

Enclosure

Exhibit A

Executive Director's Approval of Gifts and Donations

Gifts and Donations from Third Party Organizations

October 15, 2024 to January 24, 2025

Reimbursing Organization	Traveler Name	Dates of Travel	Destination	Purpose of Trip	Total Reimbursed	
Environmental Council of the States (ECOS)	MCSORLEY, PATRICK	10/15/2024 - 10/17/2024*	DENVER, CO	To attend and represent TCEQ at the E-Enterprise Leadership Council (EECL) Meeting.	\$1,534.32	
				Reimbursed Expense Description	Reimbursed Amount	
				AIRFARE	\$877.78	
				AIRPORT DAY PASS	\$10.00	
				TRAVEL AGENT FEES	\$12.79	
				LODGING	\$457.51	
				MEALS	\$112.75	
				TRANSPORTATION	\$63.49	
*On November 8, 2024, ECOS notified TCEQ they would cover Mr. McSorely's travel to attend the Octobher EECL Meeting.						
CenSARA (Central States Air Resource Agencies)	NI, AMBER HUDDLE	11/12/2024 - 11/14/2024	RALEIGH, NC	To learn about what the EPA, other states, and third-party consultants are doing in air quality modeling and attend conference sessions on state-of-the-science modeling. TCEQ covered other travel expenses.	\$852.27	
				Reimbursed Expense Description	Reimbursed Amount	
				AIRFARE	\$552.96	
				LODGING	\$299.31	
Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)	COFFMAN, MOLLY T.	11/17/2024 - 11/22/2024	CHATTANOOGA, TN	To complete the refresher training necessary to remain qualified uranium recovery license reviewer. TCEQ covered other travel expenses.	\$1,874.30	
				Reimbursed Expense Description	Reimbursed Amount	
				AIRFARE	\$765.15	
				LODGING	\$674.20	
				MEALS	\$407.00	
				TRANSPORTATION	\$27.95	
Environmental Council of the States (ECOS)	GOODIN, CHANCE EDWARD	12/2/2024 - 12/5/2024	LAS VEGAS, NV	To participate in a unique radioactive materials training opportunity at the Nevada National Security Site.	\$1,761.10	
				Reimbursed Expense Description	Reimbursed Amount	
				AIRFARE	\$834.96	
				LODGING	\$428.58	
				MEALS	\$301.00	
				TRANSPORTATION	\$196.56	
Southern Environmental Enforcement Network (SEEN)	COOPER, JASON A.	12/9/2024 - 12/13/2024	ASHEVILLE, NC	To participate in the Team Approach to Environmental Enforcement Training.	\$1,999.44	
				Reimbursed Expense Description	Reimbursed Amount	
				AIRFARE	\$975.96	
				LODGING	\$673.48	
				MEALS	\$196.50	
				TRANSPORTATION	\$153.50	

TOTAL FOR TRAVEL RELATED EXPENSES	\$8,021.43
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B. NON-TRAVEL RELATED GIFTS AND DONATIONS

Donating Organization	Gift Donation Waiver Description	Location	Date Received	Value
Texas Oil and Gas Association (TXOGA)	Registration fee for the 2024 TXOGA Lone Star Energy Forum	FRESNO, TX	December 19, 2024	\$550.00
H-E-B Grocery Company, LP	Take Care of Texas Program Donation	AUSTIN, TX	December 30, 2024	\$10,000.00
Association of Water Board Directors-Texas (AWBD)	Registration fee for the Midwinter Conference	AUSTIN, TX	January 24, 2025	\$780.00
TOTAL NON-TRAVEL GIFTS AND DONATIONS				\$11,330

TOTAL GIFTS AND DONATIONS FOR THIS PERIOD	\$19,351.43
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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



A RESOLUTION Regarding acceptance of gifts and donations in accordance with Chapter 575 of the Government Code concerning acceptance of gifts and donations by certain state agencies; TCEQ Docket No. 2024-1812-MIS

WHEREAS, Chapter 575 of the Government Code provides that a majority of the Commission must acknowledge the acceptance of all gifts of money or property with a value of \$500.00 or more in an open meeting no later than the 90th day after the date the gift is accepted.

WHEREAS, the list of gifts and donations submitted for acknowledgment is attached. The gifts have been accepted by the Executive Director. The list includes a description and amount of each gift or donation with a value of \$500.00 or more, the donor's name, and a statement regarding the purpose of each gift or donation in accordance with Section 575.004 of Chapter 575.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY that the Commission acknowledges acceptance of the gifts and donations listed in accordance with Chapter 575 of the Government Code.

Issued this the ____ day of _____, _____.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Brooke T. Paup, Chairwoman

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Based on 30 TAC Section 1.10(h), the TCEQ General Counsel has waived the filing requirements of Section 1.10(c) to allow the filing of documents using this online system. The General Counsel also has waived the requirements of Section 1.10(e) so that the time of filing your documents is the time this online system receives your filings. Filings are considered timely if received by close of business (usually 5:00 p.m. CST) on the deadline date unless otherwise ordered. If your document is for Commission consideration at an open meeting, General Counsel has also waived the requirement of Section 1.10(d) to file paper copies with the Office of the Chief Clerk.