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RE: Response to OPIC's and ED Recommendations
PERMIT NO. 174951
DOCKET NO. 2025-0829-AIR

Dear Commissioners Jon Niermann, Bobby Janecka, and Emily Lindley:

I am submitting my response regarding the Office of Public Interest Counsel's (OPIC) and the Executive Director's (ED) response on the above-referenced Air Permit.

I agree with OPIC's and the ED's recommendations to grant my Request for a Contested Case Hearing.

I agree with OPIC's and the ED's recommendations that the issues raised—including air quality deficiencies, cumulative public health risks, inadequate air monitoring, and broader environmental impacts—are relevant, material, and warrant further examination.

One particularly concerning issue is that the air quality and cumulative impact assessments failed to account for emissions from the associated Permit By Rule authorization for Avina Clean Hydrogen, CN Number: CN606301935, Air New Source Registration 177436, is slated to operate at the same site as the Avina Green Ammonia facility. This omission further highlights the need for a contested case hearing to ensure full transparency and proper evaluation of community health and environmental risks.

This omission further supports the need for a contested case hearing.

I also support OPIC's and the ED's recommendation that the following individuals and the Concerned Citizens group be recognized as affected persons:

(1) Concerned Citizens of Robstown and Calallen, (2) Myra Alaniz, (3) Samuel Alaniz, (4) Sandra Arizmendi, (5) Kelley Carrillo, (6) Kimberly Castaneda, (7) Michael Castaneda, (8) Anita Contreras, (9) Deanna Contreras, (10) Pablo Contreras, (11) Eileen Doherty,

(12) Brittany Donald, (13) David Donald, (14) Deborah Donald, (15) Lawrence Fuhrken, (16) Alvin Morin, (17) Arsilia Morin, (18) Yolanda Morin, and (19) George Picha, Jr.

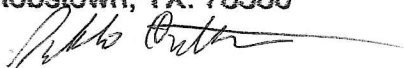
I respectfully request that the Commission grant my and the Concerned Citizens of Calallen and Robstown affected persons' request for a Contested Case Hearing at the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH), with the maximum allowable duration of 180 days.

I respectfully urge the Commissioners to adopt OPIC's and the ED's recommendations to grant my and the Concerned Citizens of Robstown and Calallen, request for a Contested Case Hearing. This action is essential to ensure a complete evidentiary record and protect the health, safety, and welfare of the affected community.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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