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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

August 14, 2026

David Yoskowitz, Ph.D.
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
4200 Smith School Road
Austin, Texas 78744

Subject: Application of the City of Corpus Christi for emergency suspension of requirements related to water right special condition 5.B., Certificate of Adjudication No. 21-3214, **Docket No. 2026-0940-WR.**

Dear Dr. Yoskowitz:

The City of Corpus Christi (City) has filed an application with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ or Commission) for emergency suspension of requirements related to special condition 5.B in its water right and a 2001 Agreed Order amending the operating procedures required under special condition 5.B. Special condition 5.B requires releases from Choke Canyon Reservoir and Lake Corpus Christi for beneficial inflows to estuaries. Under the 2001 Agreed Order as amended, the City is required to pass such inflows when combined reservoir storage reaches 30 percent. In its application, the City requests that inflows only be passed when combined reservoir storage reaches at least 50 percent.

Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 11.148 and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 35.101(e) and (f), the TCEQ is providing notice to you that the TCEQ's Executive Director will consider the City's application on August 25, 2026. If the Executive Director issues the emergency order, the Commission will consider whether to affirm, modify, or set aside the emergency order at a hearing on September 9, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. at:

Texas Commission of Environmental Quality
12100 Park 35 Circle
Building E, Room 201S
Austin, Texas

Pursuant to agency rule, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department may submit comments to the Commission on the application. Please submit your comments to Laurie Gharis, Director, Chief Clerk, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, MC-105, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 before 5:00 p.m. on August 24, 2026 and provide a copy to the City. You may also file your comments electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/eFilings.

Sincerely,

Laurie Gharis

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Chief Clerk