## TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



## AN INTERIM ORDER

concerning the application by Camden Parc Municipal Utility District of Rockwall County for new TPDES Permit No. WQ0016036001; TCEQ Docket No. 2023-0954-MWD.

On October 25, 2023, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (Commission) considered during its open meeting several requests for hearing and reconsideration concerning the application by Camden Parc Municipal Utility District of Rockwall County for new TPDES Permit No. WQ0016036001 to authorize the discharge of treated domestic wastewater from a proposed facility to be located approximately 0.85 mile northeast of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 548 and North Munson Road in Rockwall County, Texas.

The requests for hearing and reconsideration were evaluated under the requirements in the applicable statutes and Commission rules, including 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 55. The Commission also considered the responses to the requests for hearing and reconsideration filed by the Executive Director, Office of Public Interest Counsel, and Applicant; all timely public comment; and the Executive Director's Response to Public Comment.

After evaluation of all relevant filings, the Commission determined that North Texas Municipal Water District and David and Karen Milan are affected persons and granted their requests for hearing. The Commission denied the remaining hearing requests and requests for reconsideration.

The Commission next determined whether the granted requests for hearing raised disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law that were raised by the affected person during the comment period, and which are relevant and material to the decision on the application. The Commission determined that the following issues meet those requirements and directed that they be referred to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) for contested case hearing with a concurrent referral to the Commission's Alternative Dispute Resolution Program:

- A. Whether the draft permit is protective of the requesters' and their families' health, wildlife, livestock, and the environment, in accordance with applicable regulations, including the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards;
- B. Whether the draft permit adequately protects against nuisance odors in accordance with 30 TAC § 309.13; and
- C. Whether the draft permit should be altered or denied based on the Commission's regionalization policy pursuant to TWC §§ 26.081(a) and 26.0282; and

Finally, the Commission set the maximum duration of the contested case hearing at 180 days from the date of the preliminary hearing until the proposal for decision is issued by SOAH.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY that:

- 1. The hearing requests of North Texas Municipal Water District and David and Karen Milan are hereby GRANTED;
- 2. The application is referred to SOAH for a contested case hearing on the following issues, with a concurrent referral to the Commission's Alternative Dispute Resolution Program:
  - A. Whether the draft permit is protective of the requesters' and their families' health, wildlife, livestock, and the environment, in accordance with applicable regulations, including the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards;
  - B. Whether the draft permit adequately protects against nuisance odors in accordance with 30 TAC § 309.13; and

- C. Whether the draft permit should be altered or denied based on the Commission's regionalization policy pursuant to TWC §§ 26.081(a) and 26.0282; and
- All issues not identified as being referred to SOAH in Ordering Provision No. 2 are hereby 3. DENIED;
- 4. All remaining hearing requests and requests for reconsideration are hereby DENIED;
- 5. The maximum duration of the hearing is set at 180 days from the date of the preliminary hearing until the date the proposal for decision is issued by SOAH; and
- 6. If any provision, sentence, clause or phrase of this Order is for any reason held to be invalid, the invalidity of any portion shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Order.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Jon Niermann, Chairman

Date Signed