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Sent:

Friday, November 22, 2019 11:03 AM

To:

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Subject:

FW: Editorial Correction Hurricane Harvey

Chairman,

Here is the email I sent along with the reply from the Houston Chronicle. Please let me know if you need anything else.

Thank you,



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Hi there. We're reviewing this and will get back to you. Michael

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Houston Chronicle Editorial Board:

An article originally posted on September 23, 2019 by the One Breath Partnership has recently been revised to link to your May 25, 2018 editorial about the extent of pollution during Harvey and its aftermath. Specifically, the Houston Chronicle editorial states the following about TCEQ's monitoring activities: "We only have the information the polluters themselves reported" That statement is incorrect. The public information includes air quality monitoring data and analysis that TCEQ posted to its website in near real time during and after the hurricane. The information (which remains there, readily accessible) includes data from TCEQ's network of stationary monitors, TCEQ handheld monitoring, monitoring from TCEQ's agency partners, as well as from third parties. See TCEQ Hurricane Harvey Air Quality Reports. The posted information includes analysis, in the form of reports or memoranda, for much of this data.

TCEQ temporarily removed most of its stationary monitors from service during the hurricane. However, no fewer than 24 of the 61 Houston-area monitors remained in operation and collected data throughout the hurricane and its aftermath. Monitors that were shut down or damaged were urgently repaired and redeployed. The operational status of the Houston-area stationary monitoring network is reflected in the public information archived at TCEQ's website. If you cannot easily locate the referenced information, we are happy to assist you.



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