

TCEQ Interoffice Memorandum

TO: Office of the Chief Clerk
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

THRU: Chris Kozlowski, Team Leader
Water Rights Permitting Team

FROM: Sarah Henderson, Project Manager
Water Rights Permitting Team

DATE: September 22, 2025

SUBJECT: ArcelorMittal Texas HBI LLC
WRPERM 13077
CN604261545, RN106955438
Application No. 13077A to Amend Water Use Permit No. 13077
Texas Water Code § 11.122, No Notice Required
Corpus Christi Bay, San Antonio-Nueces Coastal Basin
Nueces County

The application was received on September 9, 2025 and fees were received on September 16, 2025. The application was declared administratively complete and accepted for filing with the Office of the Chief Clerk on September 22, 2025. No notice is required pursuant to House Bill 1964 and Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 295.158(c)(2)(A).

All fees have been paid and the application is sufficient for filing.



Sarah Henderson, Project Manager
Water Rights Permitting Team
Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section

OCC Mailed Notice Required ☐ YES ☒ NO

Brooke T. Paup, *Chairwoman*
Bobby Janecka, *Commissioner*
Catarina R. Gonzales, *Commissioner*
Kelly Keel, *Executive Director*



TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

September 22, 2025

Mr. Alejandro Medrano-Arispe
ArcelorMittal Texas HBI
2800 Kay Bailey Hutchison Rd.
Portland, TX 78374

VIA E-MAIL

RE: ArcelorMittal Texas HBI LLC
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Dear Mr. Medrano-Arispe:

This acknowledges receipt, on September 9, 2025, of the referenced application and fees, on September 16, 2025, in the amount of \$112.50 (Receipt No. M640305, copy attached).

The application was declared administratively complete and filed with the Office of the Chief Clerk on September 22, 2025. Staff will continue processing the application for consideration by the Executive Director.

If you have any questions concerning the application, please contact me via email at sarah.henderson@tceq.texas.gov or by telephone at (512) 239-2535.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Sarah Henderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Sarah" and last name "Henderson" clearly distinguishable.

Sarah Henderson, Project Manager
Water Rights Permitting Team
Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section

Attachment



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TCEQ - A/R RECEIPT REPORT BY ACCOUNT NUMBER

<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Fee Code</u> <u>Account#</u> <u>Account Name</u>	<u>Ref#1</u> <u>Ref#2</u> <u>Paid In By</u>	<u>Check Number</u> <u>Card Auth.</u> <u>User Data</u>	<u>CC Type</u> <u>Tran Code</u> <u>Rec Code</u>	<u>Slip Key</u> <u>Document#</u>	<u>Tran Date</u>	<u>Tran Amount</u>
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		HBI LLC					
Total (Fee Code):							-\$112.50

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TCEQ WATER RIGHTS PERMITTING APPLICATION

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION CHECKLIST

Water Availability Division

Complete and submit this checklist for each application. See Instructions Page 5.

APPLICANT(S): ARCELORMITTAL TEXAS HBI LLC

Indicate whether the following items are included in your application by writing either Y (for yes) or N (for no) next to each item (all items are not required for every application).

Y/N

Y Administrative Information Report

N Additional Co-Applicant Information

N Additional Co-Applicant Signature Pages

Y Written Evidence of Signature Authority

Y Technical Information Report

Y USGS Map (or equivalent)

N Map Showing Project Details

N Original Photographs

N Water Availability Analysis

Y Worksheet 1.0

N Recorded Deeds for Irrigated Land

N Consent for Irrigated Land

N Worksheet 1.1

N Addendum to Worksheet 1.1

Y Worksheet 1.2

N Worksheet 2.0

N Additional W.S. 2.0 for Each Reservoir

N Dam Safety Documents

N Notice(s) to Governing Bodies

N Recorded Deeds for Inundated Land

N Consent for Inundated Land

Y/N

N Worksheet 3.0

N Additional W.S. 3.0 for each Point

N Recorded Deeds for Diversion Points

N Consent for Diversion Access

N Worksheet 4.0

N TPDES Permit(s)

N WWTP Discharge Data

N Groundwater Well Permit

N Signed Water Supply Contract

N Worksheet 4.1

N Worksheet 5.0

N Addendum to Worksheet 5.0

Y Worksheet 6.0

Y Water Conservation Plan(s)

N Drought Contingency Plan(s)

N Documentation of Adoption

N Worksheet 7.0

N Accounting Plan

Y Worksheet 8.0

Y Fees

Y Public Involvement Plan

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION REPORT

The following information is required for all new applications and amendments.

***** Applicants are REQUIRED to schedule a pre-application meeting with TCEQ Staff to discuss Applicant's needs prior to submitting an application. Call the Water Rights Permitting Team to schedule a meeting at (512) 239-4600.**

1. TYPE OF APPLICATION (Instructions, Page. 6)

Indicate, by marking X, next to the following authorizations you are seeking.

☐ New Appropriation of State Water

☒ Amendment to a Water Right *

☐ Bed and Banks

****If you are seeking an amendment to an existing water rights authorization, you must be the owner of record of the authorization. If the name of the Applicant in Section 2 does not match the name of the current owner(s) of record for the permit or certificate or if any of the co-owners is not included as an applicant in this amendment request, your application could be returned. If you or a co-applicant are a new owner, but ownership is not reflected in the records of the TCEQ, submit a change of ownership request (Form TCEQ-10204) prior to submitting the application for an amendment. See Instructions page. 6. Please note that an amendment application may be returned, and the Applicant may resubmit once the change of ownership is complete.***

Please summarize the authorizations or amendments you are seeking in the space below or attach a narrative description entitled "Summary of Request."

ArcelorMittal Texas HBI LLC requests an amendment to Water Right Permit No. 13077 to modify the authorized purpose of use for a portion of the currently permitted appropriation. Specifically, ArcelorMittal Texas HBI LLC seeks to add a use to allow 500 acre-feet out of the 33,627 acre-feet already authorized for dredge-related operations and dredge material transport operations. This request does not increase the total authorized diversion amount or the maximum diversion rate. The modification simply reflects the operational needs of dredging and transport activities while maintaining the diversion within the currently permitted intake area. The proposed use is consistent with Texas Water Code § 11.023, which recognizes industrial, mining and navigation-related activities, including dredging, as beneficial uses of state water. This amendment ensures that the water is applied toward an efficient and beneficial purpose without adverse impacts to existing water rights, instream flows, or the environment.

2. APPLICANT INFORMATION (Instructions, Page. 6)

a. Applicant

Indicate the number of Applicants/Co-Applicants 1
(Include a copy of this section for each Co-Applicant, if any)

What is the Full Legal Name of the individual or entity (applicant) applying for this permit?

ArcelorMittal Texas HBI LLC

(If the Applicant is an entity, the legal name must be spelled exactly as filed with the Texas Secretary of State, County, or in the legal documents forming the entity.)

If the applicant is currently a customer with the TCEQ, what is the Customer Number (CN)?
You may search for your CN on the TCEQ website at

<http://www15.tceq.texas.gov/crpub/index.cfm?fuseaction=cust.CustSearch>

CN : CN604261545 (leave blank if you do not yet have a CN).

What is the name and title of the person or persons signing the application? Unless an application is signed by an individual applicant, the person or persons must submit written evidence that they meet the signatory requirements in 30 TAC § 295.14.

First/Last Name: Alejandro Medrano-Arispe

Title: Jr. Environmental Engineer

Have you provided written evidence meeting the signatory requirements in 30 TAC § 295.14, as an attachment to this application? Y/N Y

What is the applicant's mailing address as recognized by the US Postal Service (USPS)? You may verify the address on the USPS website at

<https://tools.usps.com/go/ZipLookupAction!input.action>.

Name: ArcelorMittal Texas HBI LLC

Mailing Address: 2800 Kay Bailey Hutchison Rd

City: Portland State: Texas ZIP Code: NA

Indicate an X next to the type of Applicant:

☐ Individual ☐ Sole Proprietorship-D.B.A.

☐ Partnership ☒ Corporation

☐ Trust ☐ Estate

☐ Federal Government ☐ State Government

☐ County Government ☐ City Government

☐ Other Government ☐ Other _____

For Corporations or Limited Partnerships, provide:

State Franchise Tax ID Number: 32050641839 SOS Charter (filing) Number: 0801762408

3. APPLICATION CONTACT INFORMATION (Instructions, Page. 9)

If the TCEQ needs additional information during the review of the application, who should be contacted? Applicant may submit their own contact information if Applicant wishes to be the point of contact.

First and Last Name: Alejandro Medrano-Arispe

Title: Jr. Environmental Engineer

Organization Name: ArcelorMittal Texas HBI

Mailing Address: 2800 Kay Bailey Hutchison Rd

City: Portland State: Texas ZIP Code: 78374

Phone Number: (361) 229-0176

Fax Number: (361) 704-9090

E-mail Address:



4. WATER RIGHT CONSOLIDATED CONTACT INFORMATION (Instructions, Page. 9)

This section applies only if there are multiple Owners of the same authorization. Unless otherwise requested, Co-Owners will each receive future correspondence from the Commission regarding this water right (after a permit has been issued), such as notices and water use reports. Multiple copies will be sent to the same address if Co-Owners share the same address. Complete this section if there will be multiple owners and all owners agree to let one owner receive correspondence from the Commission. Leave this section blank if you would like all future notices to be sent to the address of each of the applicants listed in section 2 above.

I/We authorize all future notices be received on my/our behalf at the following:

First and Last Name: NA _____

Title: NA _____

Organization Name: NA _____

Mailing Address: NA _____

City: NA _____ State: NA _____ ZIP Code: NA _____

Phone Number: NA _____

Fax Number: NA _____

E-mail Address: NA _____

5. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION (Instructions, Page. 9)

- a. The application will not be processed unless all delinquent fees and/or penalties owed to the TCEQ or the Office of the Attorney General on behalf of the TCEQ are paid in accordance with the Delinquent Fee and Penalty Protocol by all applicants/co-applicants. If you need assistance determining whether you owe delinquent penalties or fees, please call the Water Rights Permitting Team at (512) 239-4600, prior to submitting your application.
1. Does Applicant or Co-Applicant owe any fees to the TCEQ? **Yes / No** No
If **yes**, provide the following information:
Account number: NA Amount past due: NA
2. Does Applicant or Co-Applicant owe any penalties to the TCEQ? **Yes / No** No
If **yes**, please provide the following information:
Enforcement order number: NA Amount past due: NA
- b. If the Applicant is a taxable entity (corporation or limited partnership), the Applicant must be in good standing with the Comptroller or the right of the entity to transact business in the State may be forfeited. See Texas Tax Code, Subchapter F. Applicant's may check their status with the Comptroller at <https://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/coa/>
Is the Applicant or Co-Applicant in good standing with the Comptroller? **Yes / No** Yes
- c. The commission will not grant an application for a water right unless the applicant has submitted all Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) surveys of groundwater and surface water use - if required. See TWC §16.012(m) and 30 TAC § 297.41(a)(5). Applicants should check survey status on the TWDB website prior to filing:
https://www3.twdb.texas.gov/apps/reports/WU_REP/SurveyStatus_PriorThreeYears
Applicant has submitted all required TWDB surveys of groundwater and surface water?
Yes / No NA

6. SIGNATURE PAGE (Instructions, Page. 11)

Applicant:

I, Michael Spitt CEO
(Typed or printed name) (Title)

certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

I further certify that I am authorized under Title 30 Texas Administrative Code §295.14 to sign and submit this document and I have submitted written evidence of my signature authority.

Signature: [Signature] Date: 9/9/25
(Use blue ink)

Subscribed and Sworn to before me by the said

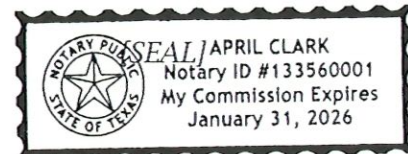
on this 9th day of September, 2025.

My commission expires on the 31st day of January, 2026.

[Signature]

Notary Public

San Patricio County, Texas
County, Texas



If the Application includes Co-Applicants, each Applicant and Co-Applicant must submit an original, separate signature page

TECHNICAL INFORMATION REPORT

WATER RIGHTS PERMITTING

This Report is required for applications for new or amended water rights. Based on the Applicant's responses below, Applicants are directed to submit additional Worksheets (provided herein). A completed Administrative Information Report is also required for each application.

Applicants are REQUIRED to schedule a pre-application meeting with TCEQ Permitting Staff to discuss Applicant's needs and to confirm information necessary for an application prior to submitting such application. Please contact the Water Availability Division at (512) 239-4600 or WRPT@tceq.texas.gov to schedule a meeting.

Date of pre-application meeting: 09/09/2025

1. New or Additional Appropriations of State Water. Texas Water Code (TWC) § 11.121 (Instructions, Page. 12)

State Water is: *The water of the ordinary flow, underflow, and tides of every flowing river, natural stream, and lake, and of every bay or arm of the Gulf of Mexico, and the storm water, floodwater, and rainwater of every river, natural stream, canyon, ravine, depression, and watershed in the state. TWC § 11.021.*

- a. Applicant requests a new appropriation (diversion or impoundment) of State Water? Y / N N
- b. Applicant requests an amendment to an existing water right requesting an increase in the appropriation of State Water or an increase of the overall or maximum combined diversion rate? Y / N N (If yes, indicate the Certificate or Permit number: NA)

If Applicant answered yes to (a) or (b) above, does Applicant also wish to be considered for a term permit pursuant to TWC § 11.1381? Y / N NA

- c. Applicant requests to extend an existing Term authorization or to make the right permanent? Y / N N (If yes, indicate the Term Certificate or Permit number: NA)

If Applicant answered yes to (a), (b) or (c), the following worksheets and documents are required:

- **Worksheet 1.0 – Quantity, Purpose, and Place of Use Information Worksheet**
- **Worksheet 2.0 - Impoundment/Dam Information Worksheet** (submit one worksheet for each impoundment or reservoir requested in the application)
- **Worksheet 3.0 - Diversion Point Information Worksheet** (submit one worksheet for each diversion point and/or one worksheet for the upstream limit and one worksheet for the downstream limit of each diversion reach requested in the application)
- **Worksheet 5.0 – Environmental Information Worksheet**
- **Worksheet 6.0 – Water Conservation Information Worksheet**
- **Worksheet 7.0 – Accounting Plan Information Worksheet**
- **Worksheet 8.0 – Calculation of Fees**
- **Fees calculated on Worksheet 8.0 – see instructions Page. 34.**
- **Maps – See instructions Page. 15.**
- **Photographs – See instructions Page. 30.**

Additionally, if Applicant wishes to submit an alternate source of water for the project/authorization, see Section 3, Page 3 for Bed and Banks Authorizations (Alternate sources may include groundwater, imported water, contract water or other sources).

Additional Documents and Worksheets may be required (see within).

2. Amendments to Water Rights. TWC § 11.122 (Instructions, Page. 12)

This section should be completed if Applicant owns an existing water right and Applicant requests to amend the water right. ***If Applicant is not currently the Owner of Record in the TCEQ Records, Applicant must submit a Change of Ownership Application (TCEQ-10204) prior to submitting the amendment Application or provide consent from the current owner to make the requested amendment. If the application does not contain consent from the current owner to make the requested amendment, TCEQ will not begin processing the amendment application until the Change of Ownership has been completed and will consider the Received Date for the application to be the date the Change of Ownership is completed. See instructions page. 6.***

Water Right (Certificate or Permit) number you are requesting to amend: 13077

Applicant requests to sever and combine existing water rights from one or more Permits or Certificates into another Permit or Certificate? Y / N N (if yes, complete chart below):

List of water rights to sever	Combine into this ONE water right
NA	NA

- a. Applicant requests an amendment to an existing water right to increase the amount of the appropriation of State Water (diversion and/or impoundment)? Y / N N

If yes, application is a new appropriation for the increased amount, complete Section 1 of this Report (PAGE. 1) regarding New or Additional Appropriations of State Water.

- b. Applicant requests to amend existing Term authorization to extend the term or make the water right permanent (remove conditions restricting water right to a term of years)? Y / N N

If yes, application is a new appropriation for the entire amount, complete Section 1 of this Report (PAGE. 1) regarding New or Additional Appropriations of State Water.

- c. Applicant requests an amendment to change the purpose or place of use or to add an additional purpose or place of use to an existing Permit or Certificate? Y / N Y
If yes, submit:

- **Worksheet 1.0 – Quantity, Purpose, and Place of Use Information Worksheet**
- **Worksheet 1.2 - Notice: “Marshall Criteria”**

- d. Applicant requests to change: diversion point(s); or reach(es); or diversion rate? Y / N N
If yes, submit:

- **Worksheet 3.0 - Diversion Point Information Worksheet** (submit one worksheet for each diversion point or one worksheet for the upstream limit and one worksheet for the downstream limit of each diversion reach)
- **Worksheet 5.0 – Environmental Information** (Required for any new diversion points that are not already authorized in a water right)

- e. Applicant requests amendment to add or modify an impoundment, reservoir, or dam? Y / N N

If yes, submit: Worksheet 2.0 - Impoundment/Dam Information Worksheet (submit one worksheet for each impoundment or reservoir)

- f. Other - Applicant requests to change any provision of an authorization not mentioned above? Y / N *If yes, call the Water Availability Division at (512) 239-4600 to discuss.*

Additionally, all amendments require:

- **Worksheet 8.0 – Calculation of Fees; and Fees calculated – see instructions Page. 34**
- **Maps – See instructions Page. 15.**
- **Additional Documents and Worksheets may be required (see within).**

3. Bed and Banks. TWC § 11.042 (Instructions, Page 13)

- a. Pursuant to contract, Applicant requests authorization to convey, stored or conserved water to the place of use or diversion point of purchaser(s) using the bed and banks of a watercourse? TWC § 11.042(a). Y/N

If yes, submit a signed copy of the Water Supply Contract pursuant to 30 TAC §§ 295.101 and 297.101. Further, if the underlying Permit or Authorization upon which the Contract is based does not authorize Purchaser's requested Quantity, Purpose or Place of Use, or Purchaser's diversion point(s), then either:

- 1. Purchaser must submit the worksheets required under Section 1 above with the Contract Water identified as an alternate source; or*
- 2. Seller must amend its underlying water right under Section 2.*

- b. Applicant requests to convey water imported into the state from a source located wholly outside the state using the bed and banks of a watercourse? TWC § 11.042(a-1). Y / N

If yes, submit worksheets 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 7.0, 8.0, Maps and fees from the list below.

- c. Applicant requests to convey Applicant's own return flows derived from privately owned groundwater using the bed and banks of a watercourse? TWC § 11.042(b). Y / N

If yes, submit worksheets 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 7.0, 8.0, Maps, and fees from the list below.

- d. Applicant requests to convey Applicant's own return flows derived from surface water using the bed and banks of a watercourse? TWC § 11.042(c). Y / N

If yes, submit worksheets 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, Maps, and fees from the list below.

****Please note, if Applicant requests the reuse of return flows belonging to others, the Applicant will need to submit the worksheets and documents under Section 1 above, as the application will be treated as a new appropriation subject to termination upon direct or indirect reuse by the return flow discharger/owner.***

- e. Applicant requests to convey water from any other source, other than (a)-(d) above, using the bed and banks of a watercourse? TWC § 11.042(c). Y / N

If yes, submit worksheets 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 7.0, 8.0, Maps, and fees from the list below.

Worksheets and information:

- **Worksheet 1.0 – Quantity, Purpose, and Place of Use Information Worksheet**
- **Worksheet 2.0 - Impoundment/Dam Information Worksheet** (submit one worksheet for each impoundment or reservoir owned by the applicant through which water will be conveyed or diverted)
- **Worksheet 3.0 - Diversion Point Information Worksheet** (submit one worksheet for the downstream limit of each diversion reach for the proposed conveyances)

- **Worksheet 4.0 – Discharge Information Worksheet** (for each discharge point)
- **Worksheet 5.0 – Environmental Information Worksheet**
- **Worksheet 6.0 – Water Conservation Information Worksheet**
- **Worksheet 7.0 – Accounting Plan Information Worksheet**
- **Worksheet 8.0 – Calculation of Fees; and Fees calculated – see instructions Page. 34**
- **Maps – See instructions Page. 15.**
- **Additional Documents and Worksheets may be required (see within).**

4. **General Information, Response Required for all Water Right Applications (Instructions, Page 15)**

- a. Provide information describing how this application addresses a water supply need in a manner that is consistent with the state water plan or the applicable approved regional water plan for any area in which the proposed appropriation is located or, in the alternative, describe conditions that warrant a waiver of this requirement (*not required for applications to use groundwater-based return flows*). Include citations or page numbers for the State and Regional Water Plans, if applicable. Provide the information in the space below or submit a supplemental sheet entitled “Addendum Regarding the State and Regional Water Plans”:

This amendment does not request any increase in the appropriation or diversion rate of State Water. The change is limited to modifying the authorized purpose of use for the water already permitted under Permit No. 13077.

The proposed use is consistent with the objectives of the 2022 Texas State Water Plan and the 2021 Region N (Coastal Bend) Regional Water Plan, both of which emphasize efficient and beneficial use of existing authorized supplies to support municipal, industrial, and commercial activities in the Coastal Bend area. Because the total authorized diversion amount will remain unchanged, this amendment does not impact the overall supply-demand balance identified in the regional plan.

This request therefore aligns with Texas Water Code §11.134(b)(3)(A), which requires that water rights authorizations be consistent with the State and Regional Water Plans, and does not create a new appropriation or increase the combined diversion rate.

- b. Did the Applicant perform its own Water Availability Analysis? Y / N N

If the Applicant performed its own Water Availability Analysis, provide electronic copies of any modeling files and reports.

- c. Does the application include required Maps? (Instructions Page. 15) Y / N Y

WORKSHEET 1.0

Quantity, Purpose and Place of Use

1. New Authorizations (Instructions, Page. 16)

Submit the following information regarding quantity, purpose and place of use for requests for new or additional appropriations of State Water or Bed and Banks authorizations:

Quantity (acre- feet) <i>(Include losses for Bed and Banks)</i>	State Water Source (River Basin) or Alternate Source <i>*each alternate source (and new appropriation based on return flows of others) also requires completion of Worksheet 4.0</i>	Purpose(s) of Use	Place(s) of Use <i>*requests to move state water out of basin also require completion of Worksheet 1.1 Interbasin Transfer</i>
NA	NA	NA	NA
NA	NA	NA	NA
NA	NA	NA	NA

NA Total amount of water (in acre-feet) to be used annually (*include losses for Bed and Banks applications*)

If the Purpose of Use is Agricultural/Irrigation for any amount of water, provide:

a. Location Information Regarding the Lands to be Irrigated

- i) Applicant proposes to irrigate a total of NA acres in any one year. This acreage is all of or part of a larger tract(s) which is described in a supplement attached to this application and contains a total of NA acres in NA County, TX.
- ii) Location of land to be irrigated: In the NA Original Survey No. NA, Abstract No. NA.

A copy of the deed(s) or other acceptable instrument describing the overall tract(s) with the recording information from the county records must be submitted. Applicant's name must match deeds.

If the Applicant is not currently the sole owner of the lands to be irrigated, Applicant must submit documentation evidencing consent or other documentation supporting Applicant's right to use the land described.

Water Rights for Irrigation may be appurtenant to the land irrigated and convey with the land unless reserved in the conveyance. 30 TAC § 297.81.

2. Amendments - Purpose or Place of Use (Instructions, Page. 12)

- a. Complete this section for each requested amendment changing, adding, or removing Purpose(s) or Place(s) of Use, complete the following:

Quantity (acre-feet)	Existing Purpose(s) of Use	Proposed Purpose(s) of Use*	Existing Place(s) of Use	Proposed Place(s) of Use**
500	Facility Cooling Purposes	Dredging Related Operations and Dredge Material Transport Operations	Nueces	Nueces

**If the request is to add additional purpose(s) of use, include the existing and new purposes of use under "Proposed Purpose(s) of Use."*

***If the request is to add additional place(s) of use, include the existing and new places of use under "Proposed Place(s) of Use."*

Changes to the purpose of use in the Rio Grande Basin may require conversion. 30 TAC § 303.43.

- b. For any request which adds Agricultural purpose of use or changes the place of use for Agricultural rights, provide the following location information regarding the lands to be irrigated:
- Applicant proposes to irrigate a total of NA acres in any one year. This acreage is all of or part of a larger tract(s) which is described in a supplement attached to this application and contains a total of NA acres in _____ County, TX.
 - Location of land to be irrigated: In the NA Original Survey No. NA, Abstract No. NA.

A copy of the deed(s) describing the overall tract(s) with the recording information from the county records must be submitted. Applicant's name must match deeds. If the Applicant is not currently the sole owner of the lands to be irrigated, Applicant must submit documentation evidencing consent or other legal right for Applicant to use the land described.

Water Rights for Irrigation may be appurtenant to the land irrigated and convey with the land unless reserved in the conveyance. 30 TAC § 297.81.

- Submit Worksheet 1.1, Interbasin Transfers, for any request to change the place of use which moves State Water to another river basin.
- See Worksheet 1.2, Marshall Criteria, and submit if required.
- See Worksheet 6.0, Water Conservation/Drought Contingency, and submit if required.

WORKSHEET 1.2

NOTICE. “THE MARSHALL CRITERIA”

This worksheet assists the Commission in determining notice required for certain **amendments** that do not already have a specific notice requirement in a rule for that type of amendment, and *that do not change the amount of water to be taken or the diversion rate*. The worksheet provides information that Applicant **is required** to submit for amendments such as certain amendments to special conditions or changes to off-channel storage. These criteria address whether the proposed amendment will impact other water right holders or the on- stream environment beyond and irrespective of the fact that the water right can be used to its full authorized amount.

*This worksheet is **not required** for Applications in the Rio Grande Basin requesting changes in the purpose of use, rate of diversion, point of diversion, and place of use for water rights held in and transferred within and between the mainstems of the Lower Rio Grande, Middle Rio Grande, and Amistad Reservoir. See 30 TAC § 303.42.*

*This worksheet is **not required** for amendments which are only changing or adding diversion points, or request only a bed and banks authorization or an IBT authorization. However, Applicants may wish to submit the Marshall Criteria to ensure that the administrative record includes information supporting each of these criteria*

1. The “Marshall Criteria” (Instructions, Page. 21)

Submit responses on a supplemental attachment titled “Marshall Criteria” in a manner that conforms to the paragraphs (a) – (g) below:

- a. Administrative Requirements and Fees. Confirm whether application meets the administrative requirements for an amendment to a water use permit pursuant to TWC Chapter 11 and Title 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapters 281, 295, and 297. An amendment application should include, but is not limited to, a sworn application, maps, completed conservation plan, fees, etc.
- b. Beneficial Use. Discuss how proposed amendment is a beneficial use of the water as defined in TWC § 11.002 and listed in TWC § 11.023. Identify the specific proposed use of the water (e.g., road construction, hydrostatic testing, etc.) for which the amendment is requested.
- c. Public Welfare. Explain how proposed amendment is not detrimental to the public welfare. Consider any public welfare matters that might be relevant to a decision on the application. Examples could include concerns related to the well-being of humans and the environment.
- d. Groundwater Effects. Discuss effects of proposed amendment on groundwater or groundwater recharge.

- e. State Water Plan. Describe how proposed amendment addresses a water supply need in a manner that is consistent with the state water plan or the applicable approved regional water plan for any area in which the proposed appropriation is located or, in the alternative, describe conditions that warrant a waiver of this requirement. The state and regional water plans are available for download at:
<http://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/swp/index.asp>.
- f. Waste Avoidance. Provide evidence that reasonable diligence will be used to avoid waste and achieve water conservation as defined in TWC § 11.002. Examples of evidence could include, but are not limited to, a water conservation plan or, if required, a drought contingency plan, meeting the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 288.
- g. Impacts on Water Rights or On-stream Environment. Explain how the proposed amendment will not impact other water right holders or the on-stream environment beyond and irrespective of the fact that the water right can be used to its full authorized amount.

WORKSHEET 6.0

Water Conservation/Drought Contingency Plans

This form is intended to assist applicants in determining whether a Water Conservation Plan and/or Drought Contingency Plans is required and to specify the requirements for plans.

Instructions, Page 31.

*The TCEQ has developed guidance and model plans to help applicants prepare plans. Applicants may use the model plan with pertinent information filled in. For assistance submitting a plan call the Resource Protection Team (Water Conservation staff) at 512-239-4600, or e-mail wras@tceq.texas.gov. The model plans can also be downloaded from the TCEQ webpage. **Please use the most up-to-date plan documents available on the webpage.***

1. Water Conservation Plans

a. The following applications must include a completed Water Conservation Plan (30 TAC § 295.9) for each use specified in 30 TAC, Chapter 288 (municipal, industrial or mining, agriculture – including irrigation, wholesale):

1. Request for a new appropriation or use of State Water.
2. Request to amend water right to increase appropriation of State Water.
3. Request to amend water right to extend a term.
4. Request to amend water right to change a place of use.
**does not apply to a request to expand irrigation acreage to adjacent tracts.*
5. Request to amend water right to change the purpose of use.
**applicant need only address new uses.*
6. Request for bed and banks under TWC § 11.042(c), when the source water is State Water.
**including return flows, contract water, or other State Water.*

b. If Applicant is requesting any authorization in section (1)(a) above, indicate each use for which Applicant is submitting a Water Conservation Plan as an attachment:

1. ____Municipal Use. See 30 TAC § 288.2. **
2. ☒ Industrial or Mining Use. See 30 TAC § 288.3.
3. ____Agricultural Use, including irrigation. See 30 TAC § 288.4.
4. ____Wholesale Water Suppliers. See 30 TAC § 288.5. **

****If Applicant is a water supplier, Applicant must also submit documentation of adoption of the plan. Documentation may include an ordinance, resolution, or tariff, etc. See 30 TAC §§ 288.2(a)(1)(J)(i) and 288.5(1)(H). Applicant has submitted such documentation with each water conservation plan? Y / N** ____

c. Water conservation plans submitted with an application must also include data and information which: supports applicant's proposed use with consideration of the plan's water conservation goals; evaluates conservation as an alternative to the proposed

appropriation; and evaluates any other feasible alternative to new water development.
See 30 TAC § 288.7.

Applicant has included this information in each applicable plan? Y / N N

2. Drought Contingency Plans

- a. A drought contingency plan is also required for the following entities if Applicant is requesting any of the authorizations in section (1) (a) above – indicate each that applies:
1. NA Municipal Uses by public water suppliers. See 30 TAC § 288.20.
 2. NA Irrigation Use/ Irrigation water suppliers. See 30 TAC § 288.21.
 3. NA Wholesale Water Suppliers. See 30 TAC § 288.22.
- b. If Applicant must submit a plan under section 2(a) above, Applicant has also submitted documentation of adoption of drought contingency plan (*ordinance, resolution, or tariff, etc. See 30 TAC § 288.30*) Y / N NA

WORKSHEET 8.0 CALCULATION OF FEES

This worksheet is for calculating required application fees. Applications are not Administratively Complete until all required fees are received. **Instructions, Page. 34**

1. NEW APPROPRIATION

	Description	Amount (\$)
Filing Fee	Circle fee correlating to the total amount of water* requested for any new appropriation and/or impoundment. Amount should match total on Worksheet 1, Section 1. Enter corresponding fee under Amount (\$) . <u>In Acre-Feet</u> a. Less than 100 \$100.00 b. 100 - 5,000 \$250.00 c. 5,001 - 10,000 \$500.00 d. 10,001 - 250,000 \$1,000.00 e. More than 250,000 \$2,000.00	NA
Recording Fee		\$25.00
Agriculture Use Fee	<i>Only for those with an Irrigation Use.</i> Multiply 50¢ x ^{NA} Number of acres that will be irrigated with State Water. **	NA
Use Fee	<i>Required for all Use Types, excluding Irrigation Use.</i> Multiply \$1.00 x ^{NA} Maximum annual diversion of State Water in acre-feet. **	NA
Recreational Storage Fee	<i>Only for those with Recreational Storage.</i> Multiply \$1.00 x ^{NA} acre-feet of in-place Recreational Use State Water to be stored at normal max operating level.	NA
Storage Fee	<i>Only for those with Storage, excluding Recreational Storage.</i> Multiply 50¢ x ^{NA} acre-feet of State Water to be stored at normal max operating level.	NA
Mailed Notice	Cost of mailed notice to all water rights in the basin. Contact Staff to determine the amount (512) 239-4600.	
TOTAL		\$ 0

2. AMENDMENT OR SEVER AND COMBINE

	Description	Amount (\$)
Filing Fee	Amendment: \$100	\$100
	OR Sever and Combine: \$100 x ^{NA} of water rights to combine	NA
Recording Fee		\$12.50
Mailed Notice	Additional notice fee to be determined once application is submitted.	NA
TOTAL INCLUDED		\$ 112.50

3. BED AND BANKS

	Description	Amount (\$)
Filing Fee		\$100.00
Recording Fee		\$12.50
Mailed Notice	Additional notice fee to be determined once application is submitted.	NA
TOTAL INCLUDED		\$ NA



Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Water Availability Division

MC-160, P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Telephone (512) 239-4600, FAX (512) 239-2214

Mining Water Conservation Plan

This form is provided to assist entities in developing a water conservation plan for mining water use. If you need assistance in completing this form or in developing your plan, please contact the Conservation staff of the Resource Protection Team in the Water Availability Division at (512) 239-4600.

Additional resources such as best management practices (BMPs) are available on the Texas Water Development Board's website <http://www.twdb.texas.gov/conservation/BMPs/index.asp>. The practices are broken out into sectors such as Agriculture, Commercial and Institutional, Industrial, Municipal and Wholesale. BMPs are voluntary measures that water users use to develop the required components of Title 30, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 288. BMPs can also be implemented in addition to the rule requirements to achieve water conservation goals.

Contact Information

Name:	ArcelorMittal Texas HBI LLC		
Address:	2800 Kay Bailey Hutchison Rd, Portland, Texas, 78374		
Telephone Number:	(361) 229-0176	Fax:	(361) 704-9090
Form Completed By:	Alejandro Medrano-Arispe		
Title:	Jr. Environmental Engineer		
Signature:	<u>Alejandro Medrano-Arispe</u> Date: 09/09/2025		

A water conservation plan for mining use must include the following requirements (as detailed in 30 TAC Section 288.3). If the plan does not provide information for each requirement, you must include in the plan an explanation of why the requirement is not applicable.

I. BACKGROUND DATA

A. Water Use

1. Annual diversion appropriated or requested (in acre-feet):

500

2. Maximum diversion rate (cfs):

46.42

B. Water Sources

1. Please indicate the maximum or average annual amounts of water currently used and anticipated to be used (in acre-feet) for mining purposes:

<i>Source</i>	<i>Water Right No.(s)</i>	<i>Current Use</i>	<i>Anticipated Use</i>
Surface Water	13077	0	500
Groundwater			
Purchased			
Total			

2. How was the surface water data and/or groundwater data provided in B(1) obtained?

☐ Master meter ☐ ; Customer meter ☒ ; Estimated ☐ ; Other

3. Was purchased water raw or treated? **NA**

If both, % raw **NA** ; % treated **NA** ; and Supplier(s) **NA**

C. Mining Information

1. Major product(s) or service(s) produced by applicant:

Direct Reduced Iron HBI

2. North American Industry Classification System (NAICS):

331111

II. WATER USE AND CONSERVATION PRACTICES

A. Water Use in Mining Processes

<i>Mining Use</i>	<i>% Groundwater</i>	<i>% Surface Water</i>	<i>% Saline Water</i>	<i>% Treated Water</i>	<i>Water Use (in acre-ft)</i>
Hydraulic Fracturing					
Drilling					
Washing Sand/gravel			100		500
Dust Control					
Oil Field Repressuring					

Other _____

<i>Facility Use</i>	<i>% Groundwater</i>	<i>% Surface Water</i>	<i>% Saline Water</i>	<i>% Treated Water</i>	<i>Water Use (in acre-ft)</i>
Pond(s)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Sanitary & drinking water	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Irrigation & dust control	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

1. Was fresh water recirculated at this facility? ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. Provide a detailed description of how the water will be utilized in the mining process.
Sea water will be used to support facility dredging operations and transportation of dredge material.
3. Estimate the quantity of water consumed in production and mining processes and is therefore unavailable for reuse, discharge, or other means of disposal.
500 acre feet
4. Monthly water consumption for previous year (in acre-feet).

<i>Month</i>	<i>Diversion Amount</i>	<i>% of Water Returned (If Any)</i>	<i>Monthly Consumption</i>
January	NA*	NA*	NA*
February	NA*	NA*	NA*
March	NA*	NA*	NA*
April	NA*	NA*	NA*
May	NA*	NA*	NA*
June	NA*	NA*	NA*
July	NA*	NA*	NA*
August	NA*	NA*	NA*

September	NA*	NA*	NA*
October	NA*	NA*	NA*
November	NA*	NA*	NA*
December	NA*	NA*	NA*
Totals	NA*	NA*	NA*

* No dredge operations occurred previous year.

5. Projected monthly water consumption for next year (in acre-feet).

<i>Month</i>	<i>Diversion Amount</i>	<i>% of Water Returned (If Any)</i>	<i>Monthly Consumption</i>
January	NA*	NA*	NA*
February	NA*	NA*	NA*
March	NA*	NA*	NA*
April	NA*	NA*	NA*
May	NA*	NA*	NA*
June	NA*	NA*	NA*
July	NA*	NA*	NA*
August	NA*	NA*	NA*
September	NA*	NA*	NA*
October	NA*	NA*	NA*
November	NA*	NA*	NA*
December	NA*	NA*	NA*
Totals	NA*	NA*	NA*

* Dredge operations typically occur once every several years we currently do not have any plans to dredge next year.

B. Specific and Quantified Conservation Goal

Water conservation goals for the mining sector are generally established either for (1) the amount of water recycled, (2) the amount of water reused, or (3) the amount of water not lost or consumed, and therefore is available for return flow.

1. Water conservation goal (water use efficiency measure)

Type of goal(s): Divert the least amount of sea water necessary for completion of dredging operations.

NA % reused water

NA % of water not consumed and therefore returned

Other (specify) Our goal would be to only use the amount of water needed for completion of dredging.

2. Provide specific, quantified 5-year and 10-year targets for water savings and the basis for development of such goals for this water use/facility.

NA: Dredging does not occur consistently however any and all dredging operations will not exceed our authorized diversion limits.

Quantified 5-year and 10-year targets for water savings:

- a. 5-year goal: NA: Dredging operations are intermittent therefore we cannot reasonable estimate a 5 year goal.
- b. 10-year goal: NA: Dredging operations are intermittent therefore we cannot reasonable estimate a 10 year goal.

3. Describe the device(s) and/or method(s) used to measure and account for the amount of water diverted from the supply source, and verify the accuracy is within plus or minus 5%.

Dredge equipment would be equipped with a meter for sea water supply pump or we could measure the amount of water diverted using pump specifications and time in use. Dredging operations are under the jurisdiction of the South Texas Water Master.

4. Provide a description of the leak-detection and repair, and water-loss accounting measures used.

Dredge equipment would be equipped with onboard gauges that would indicate a possible leak, loss in pressure or change in pump performance.

5. Describe the application of state-of-the-art equipment and/or process modifications used to improve water use efficiency.

For this specific scenario dredging operations are relatively simple leaving little to no room for innovation. However all water diverted will be used efficiently (water to solid ratio) to ensure proper function of primary discharge pump.

6. Describe any other water conservation practice, method, or technique which the user shows to be appropriate for achieving the stated goal or goals of the water conservation plan:

Proper supply water intake pump measurements by methods mentioned above along with proper operation of dredge equipment will ensure we use the least amount of water possible to complete dredging activities. Its also important to note that dredging is normally only conducted once every several years.

III. Water Conservation Plans submitted with a Water Right Application for New or Additional State Water

Water Conservation Plans submitted with a water right application for New or Additional State Water must include data and information which:

1. support the applicant's proposed use of water with consideration of the water conservation goals of the water conservation plan;
2. evaluates conservation as an alternative to the proposed appropriation; and
3. evaluates any other feasible alternative to new water development including, but not limited to, waste prevention, recycling and reuse, water transfer and marketing, regionalization, and optimum water management practices and procedures.

Additionally, it shall be the burden of proof of the applicant to demonstrate that no feasible alternative to the proposed appropriation exists and that the requested amount of appropriation is necessary and reasonable for the proposed use.



Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Public Involvement Plan Form for Permit and Registration Applications

The Public Involvement Plan is intended to provide applicants and the agency with information about how public outreach will be accomplished for certain types of applications in certain geographical areas of the state. It is intended to apply to new activities; major changes at existing plants, facilities, and processes; and to activities which are likely to have significant interest from the public. This preliminary screening is designed to identify applications that will benefit from an initial assessment of the need for enhanced public outreach.

All applicable sections of this form should be completed and submitted with the permit or registration application. For instructions on how to complete this form, see TCEQ-20960-inst.

Section 1. Preliminary Screening

- ☐ New Permit or Registration Application
☒ New Activity – modification, registration, amendment, facility, etc. (see instructions)

If neither of the above boxes are checked, completion of the form is not required and does not need to be submitted.

Section 2. Secondary Screening

- ☐ Requires public notice,
☐ Considered to have significant public interest, and
☐ Located within any of the following geographical locations:

- Austin
- Dallas
- Fort Worth
- Houston
- San Antonio
- West Texas
- Texas Panhandle
- Along the Texas/Mexico Border
- Other geographical locations should be decided on a case-by-case basis

**If all the above boxes are not checked, a Public Involvement Plan is not necessary.
Stop after Section 2 and submit the form.**

- ☒ Public Involvement Plan not applicable to this application. Provide **brief** explanation.

AM Texas HBI LLC: No new authorization public involvement plan is not necessary in this case.

Section 3. Application Information

Type of Application (check all that apply):

Air ☐ Initial ☐ Federal ☐ Amendment ☐ Standard Permit ☐ Title V
Waste ☐ Municipal Solid Waste ☐ Industrial and Hazardous Waste ☐ Scrap Tire
☐ Radioactive Material Licensing ☐ Underground Injection Control

Water Quality

☐ Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES)
☐ Texas Land Application Permit (TLAP)
☐ State Only Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO)
☐ Water Treatment Plant Residuals Disposal Permit
☐ Class B Biosolids Land Application Permit
☐ Domestic Septage Land Application Registration

Water Rights New Permit

☐ New Appropriation of Water
☐ New or existing reservoir

Amendment to an Existing Water Right

☐ Add a New Appropriation of Water
☐ Add a New or Existing Reservoir
☐ Major Amendment that could affect other water rights or the environment

Section 4. Plain Language Summary

Provide a brief description of planned activities.

Section 5. Community and Demographic Information

Community information can be found using EPA's EJ Screen, U.S. Census Bureau information, or generally available demographic tools.

Information gathered in this section can assist with the determination of whether alternative language notice is necessary. Please provide the following information.

(City)

(County)

(Census Tract)

Please indicate which of these three is the level used for gathering the following information.

☐

City

☐

County

☐

Census Tract

(a) Percent of people over 25 years of age who at least graduated from high school

(b) Per capita income for population near the specified location

(c) Percent of minority population and percent of population by race within the specified location

(d) Percent of Linguistically Isolated Households by language within the specified location

(e) Languages commonly spoken in area by percentage

(f) Community and/or Stakeholder Groups

(g) Historic public interest or involvement

Section 6. Planned Public Outreach Activities

(a) Is this application subject to the public participation requirements of Title 30 Texas Administrative Code (30 TAC) Chapter 39?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(b) If yes, do you intend at this time to provide public outreach other than what is required by rule?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please describe.

If you answered "yes" that this application is subject to 30 TAC Chapter 39, answering the remaining questions in Section 6 is not required.

(c) Will you provide notice of this application in alternative languages?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Please refer to Section 5. If more than 5% of the population potentially affected by your application is Limited English Proficient, then you are required to provide notice in the alternative language.

If yes, how will you provide notice in alternative languages?

- ☐ Publish in alternative language newspaper
- ☐ Posted on Commissioner's Integrated Database Website
- ☐ Mailed by TCEQ's Office of the Chief Clerk
- ☐ Other (specify)

(d) Is there an opportunity for some type of public meeting, including after notice?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(e) If a public meeting is held, will a translator be provided if requested?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(f) Hard copies of the application will be available at the following (check all that apply):

- ☐ TCEQ Regional Office ☐ TCEQ Central Office
- ☐ Public Place (specify)

Section 7. Voluntary Submittal

For applicants voluntarily providing this Public Involvement Plan, who are not subject to formal public participation requirements.











Will you provide notice of this application, including notice in alternative languages?

☐ Yes ☐ No

What types of notice will be provided?

- ☐ Publish in alternative language newspaper
- ☐ Posted on Commissioner's Integrated Database Website
- ☐ Mailed by TCEQ's Office of the Chief Clerk
- ☐ Other (specify)



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|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
|  | Approx. location of water monitoring wells |  | Seawater Intake |  | Plant Boundary |
|  | Approx. location of 5 abandoned monitoring wells |  | Water Discharge |  | voestalpine Property Boundary |
|  | Approx. location of former residence septic tank |  | Discharge Route | | |
| | |  | 1 Mile Buffer around Treatment Plant | | |
| | |  | Treatment Plant | | |



Signature Page

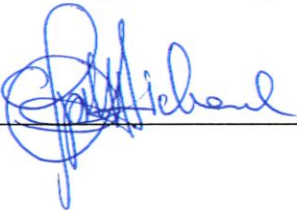
Michael Spitz
Chief Executive Officer
ArcelorMittal Texas HBI LLC
2800 Kay Bailey Hutchison Rd.
Portland Texas 78374

09/09/2025

RE: Water Rights Team- TCEQ

To Whom It May Concern:

I Michael Spitz certify that I have signature authority according to Title 30 Texas Administrative Code 295.14 to sign and submit this application for ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Water Right Permit No. 13077. I am the Chief Executive Officer of ArcelorMittal Texas HBI LLC. If you have any questions, please see contact info above.

Signature: 

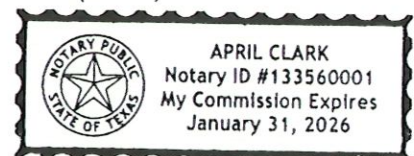
Date: 9/9/25

Subscribed and Sworn to before me by the said
on this 9th day of September, 20 25
My commission expires on the 31st day of January, 20 26


Notary Public

San Patricio County, Texas
County, Texas

(SEAL)



Meeting of the Board of Managers of
ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Holdings LLC

Appointment of Officers for ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Holdings LLC

Proposed, that the following individuals be appointed to the office set forth beside their names below, to serve until his or her successor is elected and qualified, subject to his or her earlier death, resignation, or removal.

Name	Title
Michael Spitz	Chief Executive Officer
Ashley Houchin	Chief Financial & Business Officer
Nathan Lams	Head of Strategy
Joseph P. Wallace	Secretary

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Krystal Perrigue	Head of Human Resources
Krijan Modi	Head of Procurement
JoAdrian Vara	Head of Health, Safety, Security, and Environmental
Wesley Langston	Supply Chain Manager
Dylan Buckner	Head of Production
Joseph P. Wallace	Secretary
Brandon Crawford	Head of Central Maintenance
Jacob Sanchez	Head of Raw Material Handling

Delegation of Signing Authority

NOW IT BE THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Board of Managers has hereby authorized and approved to authorize and empower the duly appointed officers of the Company and the Subsidiary to make, execute, endorse and deliver in the name of and on behalf of the Company or the Subsidiary, any and all written instruments, agreements, documents, execution of deeds, powers of attorney, transfers, assignments, contracts, obligations, certificates and other instruments of whatever nature entered into by the Companies, subject to the limitations described hereunder.

RESOLVED, that in order for an agreement to be binding on the Company or the Subsidiary, at least one of the Chief Executive Officer, or Chief Financial & Business Officer must sign the agreement. With the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial & Business Officer, the Secretary, and the Head of Strategy, an individual officer's authority to sign any agreement that binds the Company or Subsidiary extends only to matters related to his or her field of employment.

RESOLVED, that this grant of authority to the officers shall not include any matters that, pursuant to the limited liability agreements of the Companies, are reserved solely for the Board of Managers, including the Board Reserved Matters of Section 6.2 of the Company's agreement, the appointment of officers, the declaration of distributions to the members, and the request for additional capital contributions from the members.

RESOLVED, that this grant of authority may be further clarified and defined by a policy signed by the Chief Executive Officer and the Secretary regarding signature rights of the Companies' personnel.

RESOLVED, that nothing in this grant of authority should be read to inhibit, reduce, or restrict the general powers of the Board of Managers to manage the business and affairs of the Companies, pursuant to the laws of Delaware and the limited liability company agreements of the Companies, including, for sake of clarity, the ability to approve and sign agreements.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Managers approves and ratifies all agreements signed prior to the date of this action, that have been duly signed in good faith on behalf of the Company or the Subsidiary by the officers of the Companies in their capacities as an officer, in accordance with this grant of authority.

Certification

This Exhibit D, comprised of lists of appointed officers of ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Holdings LLC and ArcelorMittal Texas HBI LLC, and a delegation of signing authority resolution, has been approved by the Board of Managers during a board meeting on May 20, 2025.

The undersigned certifies that he/she is the properly elected and qualified Secretary of ArcelorMittal Texas HBI Holdings LLC, a company duly formed pursuant to the laws of the state of Delaware, and that said meeting was held in accordance with state law and the limited liability company agreements of the Companies.

I, as authorized by the Company, hereby certify and attest that all the information above is true and correct.

Joseph P. Wallace _____

Secretary



Work Sheet 1.2 “THE MARSHALL CRITERIA”

A. Administrative Requirements and Fees. Confirm whether application meets the administrative requirements for an amendment to a water use permit pursuant to TWC Chapter 11 and Title 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapters 281, 295, and 297. An amendment application should include, but is not limited to, a sworn application, maps, completed conservation plan, fees, etc.

This amendment request complies with the administrative requirements of TWC Chapter 11 and 30 TAC Chapters 281, 295, and 297. The application is supported by the required administrative report, technical information report, appropriate worksheets, maps, and conservation plan documentation. No increase in total authorized diversion, no increase in the diversion rate, and no new diversion points are being requested. Fees have been submitted in accordance with Worksheet 8.0.

B. Beneficial Use. Discuss how proposed amendment is a beneficial use of the water as defined in TWC § 11.002 and listed in TWC § 11.023. Identify the specific proposed use of the water (e.g., road construction, hydrostatic testing, etc.) for which the amendment is requested.

The proposed amendment is a beneficial use of state water under TWC § 11.023. The request is limited to reallocating 500 acre-feet out of the existing 33,627 acre-feet currently authorized under Permit No. 13077 to a new authorized purpose. This change does not increase the overall amount of water appropriated and ensures that the water will continue to be applied toward recognized beneficial uses that support our facility operations.

C. Public Welfare. Explain how proposed amendment is not detrimental to the public welfare. Consider any public welfare matters that might be relevant to a decision on the application. Examples could include concerns related to the well-being of humans and the environment.

The proposed amendment will not be detrimental to public welfare. Because the amendment does not authorize additional diversions or increase the overall combined



diversion rate, there will be no new impact on other water right holders, instream flows, or downstream users. The amendment supports efficient and beneficial use of water resources already permitted to the applicant and promotes continued economic and operational stability within the region.

D. Groundwater Effects. Discuss effects of proposed amendment on groundwater or groundwater recharge.

The proposed amendment has no effect on groundwater or groundwater recharge. The source of diversion, location of diversion points, and total authorized diversion remain unchanged. Only the purpose of use is being amended for a portion of the already authorized amount of water. Therefore, the amendment has no hydrological impact on groundwater systems.

E. State Water Plan. Describe how proposed amendment addresses a water supply need in a manner that is consistent with the state water plan or the applicable approved regional water plan for any area in which the proposed appropriation is located or, in the alternative, describe conditions that warrant a waiver of this requirement.

This amendment is consistent with the 2022 Texas State Water Plan and the 2021 Region N (Coastal Bend) Regional Water Plan. Both emphasize efficient use of existing authorized supplies and support industrial and navigation-related activities that contribute to regional water management strategies. Because this amendment does not increase the overall diversion or rate, it does not alter regional supply-demand balances.

F. Waste Avoidance. Provide evidence that reasonable diligence will be used to avoid waste and achieve water conservation as defined in TWC § 11.002. Examples of evidence could include, but are not limited to, a water conservation plan or, if required, a drought contingency plan, meeting the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 288.

A Water Conservation Plan is included in the application packet to demonstrate compliance with TWC § 11.002 and 30 TAC Chapter 288. This plan outlines measures to ensure efficient use of water for dredge activities and avoid waste. By operating within existing authorized quantities and applying best management practices, the applicant will ensure reasonable diligence in conservation.



G. Impacts on Water Rights or On-stream Environment. Explain how the proposed amendment will not impact other water right holders or the on-stream environment beyond and irrespective of the fact that the water right can be used to its full authorized amount.

The amendment will not adversely impact other water right holders or the on-stream environment. The requested change does not increase the total diversion or modify diversion points. The addition of use for 500 acre-feet for dredge operations remains within the existing authorization of 33,627 acre-feet and will not reduce the availability of water to other users or ecological needs.