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Notice of Intent to Propose
Sampson Horrice
for listing on the
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Public Notice

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (the TNRCC) is required under the Texas Solid Waste Disposal Act, Health and Safety Code Chapter 361, as amended (the "Act"), to identify and assess facilities that may constitute an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health and safety or the environment due to a release or threatened release of hazardous substances into the environment. Pursuant to §361.184(a), the Commission must publish in the Texas Register those facilities which are identified as eligible for listing on the state registry. The most recent registry listing was published in the Texas Register on October 21, 1996.

The following is a facility or area that the Executive Director of the TNRCC has determined is eligible for listing and which the Executive Director proposes to list on the state registry. Also specified is the general nature of the potential endangerment to public health and safety or the environment as determined by information currently available to the Executive Director.

The facility known as the Sampson Horrice Site (the "site") is located on a 20.68 acre tract at 8460 Sparrow Street, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas. The site is bound on the north by Sparrow Street, on the south by Plainview Drive, on the east by Prairie Creek, and on the west by Plainfield Drive. The site is an inactive gravel pit that is reported to have illegally accepted solid and hazardous waste as early as 1983 and as late as 1984. In addition, the site is currently the location for off-road vehicle recreation. The gravel pit is currently abandoned, no buildings, equipment, security fences, or workers are present on the site. The site has not been permitted to accept industrial solid wastes. However, paint wastes have been accepted for disposal at the site. No specific information was found on waste management activities at the site; therefore, it is not known if all or part of the property was used for waste disposal. Trash, debris, and crushed 55 gallon drums were observed in several areas scattered throughout the site. Debris consisted primarily of construction type materials. Allegedly, an estimated 200-400 drums were buried on site. In order to determine the location of trenches, pits or singular buried drums a magnetic survey was conducted by TNRCC in February 1994. Based on the interpretation of data collected from the magnetic survey, several potential locations of trenches, pits, or possible ferrous containing objects were identified.

Based on the Screening Site Inspection, several organic and inorganic contaminants of concern were identified. The organic contaminants of concern are xylene, naphthalene, phenanthrene, di-n-butylphthalate, fluoranthene, pyrene, benzo(a)anthracene, chrysene, benzo(b)fluoranthene, as well as several pesticides. The inorganic contaminants of concern are chromium, zinc, and lead. A public meeting has been scheduled regarding the proposed listing of the site. The public meeting will be legislative in nature and not a contested case hearing under the Texas Administrative Procedure Act (Government Code, Chapter

2001). Persons desiring to comment on the proposed listing of this site may do so in the context of the public meeting either orally or in writing.

Written comments may also be submitted to the attention of Luda Voskov, Superfund Investigations, Pollution Cleanup Division, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, MC-143, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087; 1-800-633-9363. All comments must be received by the Commission on or before December 16, 1996.

The public meeting has been scheduled for the following time and place: 7:00 p.m. Thursday, December 17, 1996, Nancy Mosley Elementary School, 10400 Rylie Road, Dallas, Texas.

The Executive Director of the TNRCC has prepared a brief summary of the Commission's public records regarding this site. This summary, as well as a portion of the public records for the site, are available for inspection and copying during the business hours of the Pleasant Grove Branch Library, 1125 South Buckner Boulevard, Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. The hours of operation are Mondays and Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.; Tuesdays and Fridays, 10:00 a.m.; Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and closed on Thursdays and Sundays.

Copies of the complete public record file may be obtained during regular business hours at the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, Central Records Center, Building D, First Floor, North Entrance, 12100 North IH-35, Austin, Texas; (512) 239-2920. Copying of file information is subject to payment of a fee.

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