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Subject: Enforcement Discretion Request LDAR Requirements Enterprise Products Operating LLC

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**Date:** Wednesday, April 15, 2020 5:00:46 PM

Attachments: EO-GA-14 Statewide Essential Service and Activity COVID-19 IMAGE 03-31-2020.pdf

Good afternoon, Mr. Fields:

Your request for enforcement discretion, as presented, relating to the missed internal floating roof storage tank internal inspection of tank 5310 at Enterprises' North Port Arthur Terminal, as required by 40 CFR §60.113b(a)(4) and New Source Review Permit No. 81086 is approved with the following qualifications:

- Enforcement discretion is limited to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. It does not limit EPA's ability to enforce federal regulations; and
- This enforcement discretion will be in effect until July 30, 2020. The required inspection should be completed as soon as practicable, as conditions allow, before this date. Should an extension beyond this be needed, please re-submit your request.

Regulated entities must maintain records adequate to document activities related to the noncompliance under enforcement discretion, including details of the regulated entity's best efforts to comply.

Regards,

Jonathan Walling, Area Director Coastal & East Texas Area Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

**From:** Fields, Jon <

Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2020 12:52 PM

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**Cc:** Ramiro Garcia < <u>ramiro.garcia@tceq.texas.gov</u>>; Fields, Jon <

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Mr. Garcia,

Enterprise Products Operating LLC, and its affiliates (collectively, "Enterprise") are requesting enforcement discretion for a missed internal floating roof storage tank internal inspection at our North Port Arthur Terminal, as follows:

• Actions for which enforcement discretion is requested: Enterprise will not be able to conduct the required internal inspection on storage tank 5310 as required by 40 CFR §60.113b(a)(4).

- Anticipated duration of need for enforcement discretion: Enterprise is requesting that
  enforcement discretion be exercised for the missed inspection through July 30, 2020.
  Enterprise will work diligently with the inspection contractor to schedule and complete
  the inspection as quickly as possible.
- Basis for requesting enforcement discretion: Enterprise intends to prevent its tank
  inspection contractors from coming on site for the time period subject to this request as
  part of our effort to assure continued reliable operation of our facilities during the
  COVID-19/Coronavirus pandemic.
  - Temporary exclusion of the approximately 3-5 inspection contractor staff at issue is an essential component in assuring that Enterprise's mission-critical personnel are healthy and available in sufficient numbers to continue to operate the facilities. In addition to temporarily excluding inspection contractors, Enterprise is also taking other measures such as excluding other contractors and visitors when possible, placing our employees on alternating shifts, directing some employees to work from home, prohibiting substantially all business travel for our employees, and enforcing mandatory 14-day quarantines when employees appear ill or return from travel.
  - Ensuring the health and availability of our mission-critical employees at these facilities, even at the cost of deferred inspection tasks, is appropriate because the facilities are critical infrastructure in assuring the reliable delivery of energy and related products to the public.
  - Enterprise's efforts to limit personnel exposure in light of the public health risks associated with COVID-19 are similar in spirit to the restrictions on gatherings in Governor Abbott's March 31, 2020 executive order (attached).
- Efforts to mitigate environmental impacts: We believe that the missed 10-year inspection for a short period of time will have little or no environmental impact. In the meantime, Enterprise will continue to operate the storage tank in compliance with all other applicable requirements and permit conditions.

If you have questions, please contact me at my contact address below. Enterprise is not stipulating that our planned conduct would violate the law, and we reserve our right to assert in the future that deferred inspection is either legally compliant or excused or mitigated by an Act of God, necessity, or other defense or justification.

Thank you,

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## GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

March 31, 2020

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Secretary of State

The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs Secretary of State State Capitol Room 1E.8 Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-14 relating to statewide continuity of essential services and activities during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Davidson

Executive Clerk to the Governor

GSD/gsd

Attachment

## Executive Order

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department Austin, Texas March 31, 2020

## EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 14

Relating to statewide continuity of essential services and activities during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued numerous executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to the COVID-19 disaster, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-08 on March 19, 2020, mandating certain obligations for Texans in accordance with the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America, as promulgated by President Donald J. Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on March 16, 2020, which called upon Americans to take actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 for 15 days; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-08 is subject to expiration at 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, absent further action by the governor; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, to avoid scenarios that could lead to hundreds of thousands of deaths, the President announced that, based on advice from Dr. Anthony Fauci and Dr. Deborah Birx, the restrictive social-distancing Guidelines should extend through April 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt and White House Coronavirus Response Coordinator Dr. Birx say that the spread of COVID-19 can be reduced by minimizing social gatherings; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2020, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security issued its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, which provides an advisory list of critical-infrastructure sectors, workers, and functions that should continue during the COVID-19 response; and

WHEREAS, for state agencies and their employees and agents, the Office of the Attorney General of Texas has advised that local restrictions issued in response to the COVID-19 disaster do not apply to restrict the conduct of state business; and

WHEREAS, all government entities and businesses should be allowed to continue providing essential services during the COVID-19 disaster, and all critical infrastructure should be allowed to remain operational; and

WHEREAS, the "governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters" under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the "governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;" and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.016(a), the "governor may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business ... if strict compliance with the provisions ... would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster;" and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the "governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;" and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the "governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area;" and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective 12:01 a.m. on April 2, 2020, and continuing through April 30, 2020, subject to extension based on the status of COVID-19 in Texas and the recommendations of the CDC and the White House Coronavirus Task Force:

In accordance with guidance from DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt, and to achieve the goals established by the President to reduce the spread of COVID-19, every person in Texas shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.

"Essential services" shall consist of everything listed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, plus religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship. Other essential services may be added to this list with the approval of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM). TDEM shall maintain an online list of essential services, as specified in this executive order and in any approved additions. Requests for additions should be directed to TDEM at <a href="mailto:EssentialServices@tdem.texas.gov">EssentialServices@tdem.texas.gov</a> or by visiting <a href="mailto:www.tdem.texas.gov/essentialservices">www.tdem.texas.gov/essentialservices</a>.

In providing or obtaining essential services, people and businesses should follow the Guidelines from the President and the CDC by practicing good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation, implementing social distancing, and working from home if possible. In particular, all services should be provided through remote telework from

home unless they are essential services that cannot be provided through remote telework. If religious services cannot be conducted from home or through remote services, they should be conducted consistent with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC by practicing good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation, and by implementing social distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall avoid eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts, or visiting gyms, massage establishments, tattoo studios, piercing studios, or cosmetology salons; provided, however, that the use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options for food and drinks is allowed and highly encouraged throughout the limited duration of this executive order.

This executive order does not prohibit people from accessing essential services or engaging in essential daily activities, such as going to the grocery store or gas station, providing or obtaining other essential services, visiting parks, hunting or fishing, or engaging in physical activity like jogging or bicycling, so long as the necessary precautions are maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 and to minimize inperson contact with people who are not in the same household.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall not visit nursing homes, state supported living centers, assisted living facilities, or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance as determined through guidance from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, schools shall remain temporarily closed to in-person classroom attendance and shall not recommence before May 4, 2020.

This executive order shall supersede any conflicting order issued by local officials in response to the COVID-19 disaster, but only to the extent that such a local order restricts essential services allowed by this executive order or allows gatherings prohibited by this executive order. I hereby suspend Sections 418.1015(b) and 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, Chapter 81, Subchapter E of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and any other relevant statutes, to the extent necessary to ensure that local officials do not impose restrictions inconsistent with this executive order, provided that local officials may enforce this executive order as well as local restrictions that are consistent with this executive order.

This executive order supersedes Executive Order GA-08, but not Executive Orders GA-09, GA-10, GA-11, GA-12, or GA-13, and shall remain in effect and in full force until April 30, 2020, unless it is modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

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Given under my hand this the 31st day of March, 2020.

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GREG ABBOTT Governor

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ATTESTED BY:

RUTH R. HUGHS Secretary of State