

**From:** Catarina Gonzales  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 13, 2021 1:36 PM  
**To:** Steven Schar

**Subject:** RE: TCEQ Rule Suspension Request 2-13-21

Mr. Schar,

The Office of the Governor is in receipt of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's (TCEQ's) request to temporarily suspend certain specified provisions in 30 TAC 101, 106, 111, 114, 115, 117, 285, 305, 309, 312, 319, 327, 330, 334, and 335. TCEQ asserts that strict compliance with these laws could prevent, hinder, or delay necessary state efforts to respond to the severe winter weather event and efforts to cope with the declared disaster.

In accordance with section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, the Office of the Governor grants TCEQ's request to temporarily suspend the specified provisions in 30 TAC 101, 106, 111, 114, 115, 117, 285, 305, 309, 312, 319, 327, 330, 334, and 335, as set forth in TCEQ's request, to the extent that these provisions actually do prevent, hinder, or delay necessary state efforts to respond to the severe winter weather event and efforts to cope with the declared disaster.

This suspension is in effect until terminated by the Office of the Governor or until the February 12, 2021 disaster declaration is lifted or expires.

Thank you,

Catarina Gonzales  
Budget & Policy Advisor  
Office of Governor Greg Abbott

**From:** Steven Schar  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 13, 2021 12:13 PM  
**To:** Catarina Gonzales **Subject:** TCEQ Rule Suspension Request 2-13-21  
**Importance:** High

Dear Catarina Gonzales, Policy Advisor, Office of the Governor:

Consistent with the Governor's Proclamation On February 12, 2021, the Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality requests written approval for the suspension of the following rules because they may prevent, hinder, or delay necessary actions needed to respond to the severe winter weather event.

Attached is the request. We appreciate the consideration.

*Steven Schar*  
*Senior Advisor to the Executive Director*  
*Texas Commission on Environmental Quality*