The *Texas Register* is required by statute to publish certain documents, including applications to purchase control of state banks, notices of rate ceilings issued by the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner, and consultant proposal requests and

awards. State agencies also may publish other notices of general interest as space permits.

# Comptroller of Public Accounts

Certification of the Average Closing Price of Gas and Oil - January 2024

The Comptroller of Public Accounts, administering agency for the collection of the Oil Production Tax, has determined, as required by Tax Code, §202.058, that the average taxable price of oil for reporting period January 2024 is \$49.85 per barrel for the three-month period beginning on October 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2023. Therefore, pursuant to Tax Code, §202.058, oil produced during the month of January 2024, from a qualified low-producing oil lease, is not eligible for credit on the oil production tax imposed by Tax Code, Chapter 202.

The Comptroller of Public Accounts, administering agency for the collection of the Natural Gas Production Tax, has determined, as required by Tax Code, §201.059, that the average taxable price of gas for reporting period January 2024 is \$1.56 per mcf for the three-month period beginning on October 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2023. Therefore, pursuant to Tax Code, §201.059, gas produced during the month of January 2024, from a qualified low-producing well, is eligible for a 100% credit on the natural gas production tax imposed by Tax Code, Chapter 201.

The Comptroller of Public Accounts, administering agency for the collection of the Franchise Tax, has determined, as required by Tax Code, §171.1011(s), that the average closing price of West Texas Intermediate crude oil for the month of January 2024 is \$73.86 per barrel. Therefore, pursuant to Tax Code, §171.1011(r), a taxable entity shall not exclude total revenue received from oil produced during the month of January 2024, from a qualified low-producing oil well.

The Comptroller of Public Accounts, administering agency for the collection of the Franchise Tax, has determined, as required by Tax Code, §171.1011(s), that the average closing price of gas for the month of January 2024 is \$2.72 per MMBtu. Therefore, pursuant to Tax Code, §171.1011(r), a taxable entity shall exclude total revenue received from gas produced during the month of January 2024, from a qualified low-producing gas well.

Inquiries should be submitted to Jenny Burleson, Director, Tax Policy Division, P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas 78711-3528.

Issued in Austin, Texas, on February 26, 2024.

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Jenny Burleson
Director, Tax Policy
Comptroller of Public Accounts
Filed: February 26, 2024

Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner

## Adjustments to Maximum Fee Amounts

Section 394.210 of the Texas Finance Code lists maximum fee amounts for debt management and debt settlement providers. Under Section 394.2101, the OCCC publishes adjustments to these amounts based on the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (1982-84).

The amount of the debt management setup fee in TEX. FIN. CODE \$394.210(f)(1) is adjusted to \$136.00.

The amount of the debt management monthly service fee in TEX. FIN. CODE §394.210(f)(2) is adjusted to the lesser of \$14.00 per account or \$68.00.

The amount of the debt settlement setup fee in TEX. FIN. CODE \$394.210(g)(1) is adjusted to \$544.00.

The amount of the debt settlement monthly service fee in TEX. FIN. CODE §394.210(g)(2) is adjusted to the lesser of \$14.00 per account or \$68.00.

The amount of the counseling or education if no debt management or settlement service provided fee in TEX. FIN. CODE §394.210(l) is adjusted to \$136.00.

The amount of the fee for dishonored payment in TEX. FIN. CODE §394.210(n) remains at \$30.00.

Note: These calculations are based on comparing the reference base index for December 2011 (225.672) to the index for December 2023 (306.764). The percentage change is a 35.9336% increase, rounded to the nearest dollar.

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Leslie L. Pettijohn

Commissioner

Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner

Filed: February 28, 2024

Notice of Rate Bracket Adjustment

The Consumer Credit Commissioner of Texas has ascertained the following brackets and ceilings by use of the formula and method described in TEX. FIN. CODE §341.203.<sup>(1)</sup>

The amounts of brackets in TEX. FIN. CODE §342.201(a) are changed to \$2,640.00 and \$22,000.00, respectively.

The amounts of brackets in TEX. FIN. CODE \$342.201(e) are changed to \$4,400.00, \$9,240.00, and \$22,000.00, respectively.

The ceiling amount in TEX. FIN. CODE §§342.251 and 342.259 are changed to \$880.00 and \$1,760.00, respectively.

The amounts of the brackets in TEX. FIN. CODE §345.055 are changed to \$4,400.00 and \$8,800.00, respectively.

The amount of the bracket in TEX. FIN. CODE §345.103 is changed to \$4,400.00.

The ceiling amount of TEX. FIN. CODE §371.158 is changed to \$22,000.00.

The amounts of the brackets in TEX. FIN. CODE §371.159 are changed to \$264.00, \$1,760.00, and \$2,640.00, respectively.

The above dollar amounts of the brackets and ceilings shall govern all applicable credit transactions and loans made on or after July 1, 2024, and extending through June 30, 2025.

(1)Computation method: The Reference Base Index (the Index for December 1967) = 101.6. The December 2023 Index = 895.777. The percentage of change is 881.67%. This equates to an increase of 880% after disregarding the percentage of change in excess of multiples of 10%.

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Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner

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## Notice of Rate Ceilings

The Consumer Credit Commissioner of Texas has ascertained the following rate ceilings by use of the formulas and methods described in §303.003 and §303.009, Texas Finance Code.

The weekly ceiling as prescribed by \$303.003 and \$303.009 for the period of 03/04/24 - 03/10/24 is 18% for consumer credit.

The weekly ceiling as prescribed by §303.003 and §303.009 for the period of 03/04/24 - 03/10/24 is 18% for commercial<sup>2</sup> credit.

- <sup>1</sup> Credit for personal, family, or household use.
- <sup>2</sup> Credit for business, commercial, investment, or other similar purpose.

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Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner

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# **Texas Education Agency**

Request for Applications Concerning the 2024-2025 Texas Education for Homeless Children and Youth Grant

Filing Authority. The availability of grant funds under Request for Applications (RFA) #701-24-123 is authorized by Public Law 107-110, Title X, Part C, Homeless Education; and the McKinney-Vento Homeless Act, Title VII, Subtitle B (42 U.S.C. §11431 et seq.).

Eligible Applicants. The Texas Education Agency (TEA) is requesting applications under RFA #701-24-123 from eligible applicants, which include all local educational agencies (LEAs) and education service centers.

Description. 2024-2025 Texas Education for Homeless Children and Youth Grant applicants must establish rigorous goals and innovative activities to promote equitable access by removing barriers to enrollment and identification; increase levels of support services; and utilize academic, program, and outcome data to foster the overall success of students experiencing homelessness. Applicants must demonstrate how they will utilize data to develop early warning support systems to identify interventions, measure progress, and ensure that appropriate academic and overall supports are in place so that students experiencing homelessness achieve grade level standards, achieve on state mandated assessments, promote on grade-level, and graduate on time with their peers and persist to post-secondary. Applicants will accomplish these goals and activities in a variety of ways based on the unique individual needs provided in the application. Applicants are expected to ensure that their campus and LEA staff are equipped to enroll, identify, and place students experiencing homelessness in the most rigorous and appropriate academic setting. Student academic and assessment progress should be addressed in collaboration with Title I, Part A, and other special programs (e.g., special education, English learners, gifted and talented, career and technical education, etc.) to assist in the review, evaluation, and implementation of a data-driven plan to accomplish targeted performance measures during the grant period. Applicants are required to describe how their project collaborates with community partners, social service providers, and federal and academic programs within their LEA to identify students and remove barriers.

Dates of Project. The 2024-2025 Texas Education for Homeless Children and Youth Grant will be implemented during the 2024-2025 school year. Applicants should plan for a starting date of no earlier than September 1, 2024, and an ending date of no later than August 31, 2025.

Project Amount. Approximately \$9,393,990 million is available for funding the 2024-2025 Texas Education for Homeless Children and Youth Grant. It is anticipated that approximately 80 grants will be awarded up to approximately \$375,000. This project is funded 100% with federal funds.

Selection Criteria. Applications will be selected based on the ability of each applicant to carry out all requirements contained in the RFA. Reviewers will evaluate applications based on the overall quality and validity of the proposed grant programs and the extent to which the applications address the primary objectives and intent of the project. Applications must address each requirement as specified in the RFA to be considered for funding. TEA reserves the right to select from the highest-ranking applications those that address all requirements in the RFA.

TEA is not obligated to approve an application, provide funds, or endorse any application submitted in response to this RFA. This RFA does not commit TEA to pay any costs before an application is approved. The issuance of this RFA does not obligate TEA to award a grant or pay any costs incurred in preparing a response.

Applicants' Conference. A webinar will be held on March 22, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Questions relevant to the RFA may be emailed to HomelessEducation@tea.texas.gov prior to 5:00 p.m. (Central Time) on March 15, 2024. These questions, along with other information, will be addressed during the webinar. The applicants' conference webinar will be open to all potential applicants and will provide general and clarifying information about the grant program and the RFA.

Requesting the Application. The complete RFA will be posted on the TEA Grant Opportunities web page at https://tea4avalonzo.tea.state.tx.us/GrantOpportunities/forms/GrantProgram-Search.aspx for viewing and downloading. In the "Search Options" box, select the name of the RFA from the drop-down list. Scroll down to the "Application and Support Information" section to view and download all documents that pertain to this RFA.

Further Information. In order to make sure that no prospective applicant obtains a competitive advantage because of acquisition of information unknown to other prospective applicants, any and all questions must be submitted in writing to homelesseducation@tea.texas.gov, the TEA email address identified in the Program Guidelines of the RFA, no later than April 5, 2024. All questions and the written answers thereto will be posted on the TEA Grant Opportunities web page in the format of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) by April 16, 2024. In the "Search Options" box, select the name of the RFA from the drop-down list. Scroll down to the "Application and Support Information" section to view all documents that pertain to this RFA.

Deadline for Receipt of Applications. Applications must be submitted to competitivegrants@tea.texas.gov. Applications must be received no

later than 11:59 p.m. (Central Time), April 23, 2024, to be considered eligible for funding.

Issued in Austin, Texas, on February 28, 2024.

TRD-202400892 Cristina De La Fuente-Valadez Director, Rulemaking Texas Education Agency Filed: February 28, 2024

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# **Texas Commission on Environmental Quality**

## Agreed Orders

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEO or commission) staff is providing an opportunity for written public comment on the listed Agreed Orders (AOs) in accordance with Texas Water Code (TWC), §7.075. TWC, §7.075, requires that before the commission may approve the AOs, the commission shall allow the public an opportunity to submit written comments on the proposed AOs. TWC, §7.075, requires that notice of the proposed orders and the opportunity to comment must be published in the Texas Register no later than the 30th day before the date on which the public comment period closes, which in this case is April 8, 2024. TWC, §7.075, also requires that the commission promptly consider any written comments received and that the commission may withdraw or withhold approval of an AO if a comment discloses facts or considerations that indicate that consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the statutes and rules within the commission's jurisdiction or the commission's orders and permits issued in accordance with the commission's regulatory authority. Additional notice of changes to a proposed AO is not required to be published if those changes are made in response to written comments.

A copy of each proposed AO is available for public inspection at both the commission's central office, located at 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building C, 1st Floor, Austin, Texas 78753, (512) 239-2545 and at the applicable regional office listed as follows. Written comments about an AO should be sent to the enforcement coordinator designated for each AO at the commission's central office at P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 and must be received by 5:00 p.m. on April 8, 2024. Written comments may also be sent by facsimile machine to the enforcement coordinator at (512) 239-2550. The commission's enforcement coordinators are available to discuss the AOs and/or the comment procedure at the listed phone numbers; however, TWC, §7.075, provides that comments on the AOs shall be submitted to the commission in writing.

- (1) COMPANY: Alon USA, LP; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0419-AIR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN100250869; LOCATION: Big Spring, Howard County; TYPE OF FACILITY: petroleum refinery; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §116.115(c) and §122.143(4), New Source Review Permit Numbers 49154 and 53425, Special Conditions Number 1, Federal Operating Permit Number O1505, General Terms and Conditions and Special Terms and Conditions Number 19, and Texas Health and Safety Code, §382.085(b), by failing to prevent unauthorized emissions; PENALTY: \$19,425; SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT OFFSET AMOUNT: \$7,770; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Yuliya Dunaway, (210) 403-4077; REGIONAL OFFICE: 14250 Judson Road, San Antonio, Texas 78233-4480, (210) 492-3096.
- (2) COMPANY: City of New Summerfield; DOCKET NUMBER: 2021-1165-MWD-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101918282; LOCATION: New Summerfield, Cherokee County; TYPE OF FACILITY: waste-

- water treatment facility; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §305.125(1), TWC, §26.121(a)(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Number WQ0013585001, Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements Number 1, by failing to comply with permitted effluent limitations; PENALTY: \$5,250; SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT OFFSET AMOUNT: \$4,200; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Samantha Smith, (512) 239-2099; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, (713) 767-3500.
- (3) COMPANY: CMPW Properties LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0670-WQ-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111581690; LOCATION: Mineola, Wood County; TYPE OF FACILITY: construction site; RULES VIOLATED: TWC, §26.121(a)(1), by failing to prevent an unauthorized discharge of sediment into or adjacent to any water in the state; 30 TAC §281.25(a)(4) and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) General Permit Number TXR1502KS, Part III, Sections F.2.(b)iii and G.2, by failing to initiate stabilization measures where construction activities had temporarily ceased and would not resume within 14 days or where construction activities had permanently ceased: 30 TAC §281.25(a)(4) and TPDES General Permit Number TXR1502KS, Part III, Section F.2.(c)i.(A)(4), by failing to properly select, install, and maintain control measures according to the manufacturer's or designer's specifications; and 30 TAC §281.25(a)(4) and TPDES General Permit Number TXR1502KS, Part III, Section F.6(d). by failing to remove accumulations of sediment at a frequency that minimizes off-site impacts; PENALTY: \$23,625; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Harley Hobson, (512) 239-1337; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.
- (4) COMPANY: CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2022-0894-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101182830; LOCATION: Burnet, Burnet County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §290.108(f)(1) and Texas Health and Safety Code, §341.0315(c), by failing to comply with the maximum contaminant level of 15 pic-oCuries per liter (pCi/L) for gross alpha particle activity and 5 pCi/L for combined radium-226 and radium-228 based on the running annual average; PENALTY: \$5,000; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Ashley Lemke, (512) 239-1118; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, (713) 767-3500.
- (5) COMPANY: East Montgomery County Municipal Utility District Number 3; DOCKET NUMBER: 2021-1632-MWD-E; IDENTIFIER: RN102671427; LOCATION: New Caney, Montgomery County; TYPE OF FACILITY: wastewater treatment facility; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §305.125(1), TWC, §26.121(a)(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Number WQ0014379001, Interim II Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements Number 1, by failing to comply with permitted effluent limitations; PENALTY: \$11,625; SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT OFF-SET AMOUNT: \$9,300; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Samantha Smith, (512) 239-2099; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, (713) 767-3500.
- (6) COMPANY: HLH DEVELOPMENT, LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-1140-WQ-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111738399; LOCATION: Mico, Medina County; TYPE OF FACILITY: construction site; RULES VI-OLATED: 30 TAC §281.25(a)(4) and 40 Code of Federal Regulations §122.26(c), by failing to obtain authorization to discharge stormwater associated with construction activities; PENALTY: \$7,500; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Cheryl Thompson, (817) 588-5865; REGIONAL OFFICE: 2309 Gravel Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76118-6951, (817) 588-5800.
- (7) COMPANY: SILGAN CONTAINERS MANUFACTURING CORPORATION; DOCKET NUMBER: 2022-0665-AIR-E; IDEN-

TIFIER: RN100225374; LOCATION: Paris, Lamar County; TYPE OF FACILITY: can manufacturing plant; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §§116.115(c), 122.143(4), and 122.144(1)(A), New Source Review Permit Number 21720, Special Conditions Number 3, Federal Operating Permit (FOP) Number O1781, General Terms and Conditions (GTC) and Special Terms and Conditions Number 3, and Texas Health and Safety Code (THSC), §382.085(b), by failing to perform weekly visible emissions observations; and 30 TAC §122.143(4) and §122.145(2)(B) and (C), FOP Number O1781, GTC, and THSC, §382.085(b), by failing to submit a deviation report for at least each six-month period after permit issuance and failing to submit the deviation report no later than 30 days after the end of each reporting period; PENALTY: \$20,699; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Desmond Martin, (512) 239-2814; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.

(8) COMPANY: Staff Water Supply Corporation; DOCKET NUMBER: 2022-0636-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101198711; LOCATION: Eastland, Eastland County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §290.110(b)(4) and (f)(6) and Texas Health and Safety Code (THSC), §341.0315(c), by failing to maintain a minimum disinfectant residual of 0.2 milligrams per liter (mg/L) free chlorine throughout the distribution system in more than 5.0% of the samples collected each month, for any two consecutive months; and 30 TAC §290.115(f)(1) and THSC, §341.0315(c), by failing to comply with the maximum contaminant level of 0.060 mg/L for haloacetic acids, and 0.080 mg/L for total trihalomethanes, based on the locational running annual average; PENALTY: \$4,950; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Ashley Lemke, (512) 239-1118; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, (713) 767-3500.

(9) COMPANY: TPG Pressure, Incorporated dba Forterra Pressure Pipe Grand Prairie; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0160-PST-E; IDENTIFIER: RN102597267; LOCATION: Grand Prairie, Dallas County; TYPE OF FACILITY: industrial manufacturing facility; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §334.50(b)(2) and TWC, §26.3475(a), by failing to provide release detection for the pressurized piping associated with the underground storage tank system; PENALTY: \$2,888; ENFORCE-MENT COORDINATOR: Tiffany Chu, (817) 588-5891; REGIONAL OFFICE: 2309 Gravel Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76118-6951, (817) 588-5800.

(10) COMPANY: TRICON PRECAST, LTD.; DOCKET NUMBER: 2022-0836-WQ-E; IDENTIFIER: RN100241728; LOCATION: Houston, Harris County; TYPE OF FACILITY: concrete batch plant; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §305.125(1) and (17) and §319.7(d), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Number TXR112052, Part IV.7.f., by failing to submit monitoring results at intervals specified in the permit; PENALTY: \$675; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Monica Larina, (361) 881-6965; REGIONAL OFFICE: 500 North Shoreline Boulevard, Suite 500, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401, (361) 881-6900.

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Gitanjali Yadav
Deputy Director, Litigation
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Filed: February 27, 2024

**Enforcement Orders** 

An agreed order was adopted regarding ASAA ENTERPRISES INC dba Stop & Save, Docket No. 2021-1181-PST-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$4,500 in administrative penalties with \$900 deferred. Infor-

mation concerning any aspect of this order may be obtained by contacting Mark Gamble, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

An agreed order was adopted regarding City of Brownfield, Docket No. 2022-0054-MWD-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$1,750 in administrative penalties with \$350 deferred. Information concerning any aspect of this order may be obtained by contacting Harley Hobson, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

An agreed order was adopted regarding Castillo & Torres Services, LLC dba D & N GROCERY, Docket No. 2022-0510-PST-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$3,000 in administrative penalties with \$600 deferred. Information concerning any aspect of this order may be obtained by contacting Lauren Little, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

An agreed order was adopted regarding Goya C-Stores INC dba Zip in Grocery, Docket No. 2022-1137-PST-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$1,625 in administrative penalties with \$325 deferred. Information concerning any aspect of this order may be obtained by contacting Justin Prichard, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

An agreed order was adopted regarding A&B TRADING, LLC dba Country Side, Docket No. 2022-1392-PST-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$3,375 in administrative penalties with \$675 deferred. Information concerning any aspect of this order may be obtained by contacting Monica Larina, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

An agreed order was adopted regarding Aqua Utilities, Inc., Docket No. 2023-0747-PWS-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$1,125 in administrative penalties with \$225 deferred. Information concerning any aspect of this order may be obtained by contacting Daphne Greene, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

An agreed order was adopted regarding Ball Metal Beverage Container Corp., Docket No. 2023-0768-AIR-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$287 in administrative penalties with \$57 deferred. Information concerning any aspect of this order may be obtained by contacting Karyn Olschesky, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

An agreed order was adopted regarding UNITED AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVE, INC. dba United Ag General Store, Docket No. 2023-0823-PST-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$2,438 in administrative penalties with \$487 deferred. Information concerning any aspect of this order may be obtained by contacting Kaisie Hubschmitt, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

An agreed order was adopted regarding BPX Operating Company, Docket No. 2023-0972-AIR-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$3,938 in administrative penalties with \$787 deferred. Information concerning any aspect of this order may be obtained by contacting Karyn Olschesky, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

A field citation was adopted regarding Danul Petty, Docket No. 2023-1661-WQ-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$875 in administra-

tive penalties. Information concerning any aspect of this citation may be obtained by contacting Madison Stringer, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

A field citation order was adopted regarding Caddo Mills Industrial Park Llc, Docket No. 2023-1692-WQ-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$875 in administrative penalties. Information concerning any aspect of this citation may be obtained by contacting Shane Glantz, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

A field citation was adopted regarding Quail Ridge Operating LLC, Docket No. 2023-1698-WR-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$350 in administrative penalties. Information concerning any aspect of this citation may be obtained by contacting Nancy Sims, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

A field citation was adopted regarding Halfmann, Charles, Docket No. 2023-1712-WR-E on February 28, 2024 assessing \$350 in administrative penalties. Information concerning any aspect of this citation may be obtained by contacting Nancy Sims, Enforcement Coordinator at (512) 239-2545, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

TRD-202400891 Laurie Gharis Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: February 28, 2024

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Notice and Comment Hearing Draft Permit No.: O1598

This is a notice for a notice and comment hearing on Federal Operating Permit Number O1598. During the notice and comment hearing informal questions on the Federal Operating Permit will be answered and formal comments will be received. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has scheduled the notice and comment hearing regarding this application and draft permit as follows:

Date: April 11, 2024

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Raul Yzaguirre Schools for Success

2950 Broadway Street

Houston, Texas

Location phone: (713) 475-7409

**Application and Draft Permit.** TPC Group LLC, 8600 Park Place Blvd., Houston, Texas 77017-2513, an All Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacturing facility, has applied to the TCEQ for a Renewal of Federal Operating Permit (herein referred to as permit) No. O1598, Application No. 33608 to authorize operation of the Houston Plant. The area addressed by the application is located at 8600 Park Place Blvd. in Houston, Harris County, Texas 77017-2513. This application was received by the TCEQ on April 19, 2022.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, will codify the conditions under which the site must operate. The TCEQ Executive Director recommends issuance of the draft permit. The purpose of a federal operating permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly

listing all applicable requirements, as defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code 30 TAC §122.10. The permit will not authorize new construction or new emissions.

Notice and Comment Hearing. The hearing will be structured for the receipt of oral or written comments by interested persons. Registration and an informal discussion period with commission staff members will begin during the first 30 minutes. During the informal discussion period, the public is encouraged to ask questions and engage in open discussion with the applicant and the TCEQ staff concerning this application and draft permit. Issues raised during this discussion period will **only** be addressed in the formal response to comments if the issue is also presented during the hearing. After the conclusion of the informal discussion period, the TCEQ will conduct a notice and comment hearing regarding the application and draft permit. Individuals may present oral statements when called upon in order of registration. A reasonable time limit may be established at the hearing to assure that enough time is allowed for every interested person to speak. There will be no open discussion during the hearing. The purpose of this hearing will be to receive formal public comment which the TCEQ will consider in determining whether to revise and/or issue the permit and in determining the accuracy and completeness of the permit. Any person may attend this meeting and submit written or oral comments. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.0561, as codified in the Texas Health and Safety Code, and 30 TAC §122.340.

Persons who have special communication or other accommodation needs who are planning to attend the hearing should contact the TCEQ Public Education Program toll free at (800) 687-4040 or (800) RELAY-TX (TDD), at least five business days prior to the hearing.

Any person may also submit written comments before the hearing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of Chief Clerk, MC-105, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/. Written comments should include (1) your name, address, and daytime telephone number, and (2) the draft permit number found at the top of this notice.

A notice of proposed final action that includes a response to comments and identification of any changes to the draft permit will be mailed to everyone who submitted: written comments and/or hearing requests, attended and signed in at the hearing, or requested to be on the mailing list for this application. This mailing will also provide instructions for public petitions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to request that the EPA object to the issuance of the proposed permit. After receiving a petition, the EPA may only object to the issuance of a permit which is not in compliance with applicable requirements or the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 122.

**Mailing List.** In addition to submitting public comments, a person may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Chief Clerk for this application.

**Information.** For additional information about this permit application or the permitting process, please contact the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Public Education Program, MC-108, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or toll free at (800) 687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at www.tceq.texas.gov. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al (800) 687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained for TPC Group LLC by calling Jason Sanders, Environmental Manager at (713) 475-7409.

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Laurie Gharis Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: February 28, 2024



Notice of an Amendment to a Certificate of Adjudication Application No. 12-5311C

Notice Issued February 27, 2024

Gibbons Tract 1, LP (Owner/Applicant), 162 Private Road 5743, Thornton, Texas 76687, Applicant, seeks to amend Certificate of Adjudication No. 12-5311 to authorize use of the bed and banks of Gibbons Creek, the Navasota River, and the Brazos River to convey not to exceed 9,740 acre-feet of water per year released from Gibbons Creek Reservoir for subsequent diversion downstream. Under a water rights lease with The Dow Chemical Company (Dow), water released from Gibbons Creek reservoir will be diverted at diversion rates and points authorized under Dow's Certificate of Adjudication No. 12-5328, as amended. The Applicant also seeks authorization to use the bed and banks of Oyster Creek in the San Jacinto-Brazos Coastal Basin to convey released water diverted from the Brazos River at Dow's authorized diversion points and conveyed through Dow's distribution system in accordance with the authorizations in Certificate of Adjudication No. 12-5328, as amended.

More information on the application and how to participate in the permitting process is given below.

The Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The application was received on August 15, 2023 and fees were received on August 16, 2023. The application was declared administratively complete and accepted for filing with the Office of the Chief Clerk on August 24, 2023.

The Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft amendment. The draft amendment, if granted, would contain special conditions, including but not limited to measurement requirements for the released water. The application, technical memoranda, and Executive Director's draft amendment are available for viewing on the TCEQ web page at: https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/water\_rights/wr-permitting/view-wr-pend-apps. Alternatively, you may request a copy of the documents by contacting the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk by phone at (512) 239-3300 or by mail at TCEQ OCC, Notice Team (MC-105), P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711.

Written public comments and requests for a public meeting should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below by April 01, 2024. A public meeting is intended for the taking of public comment and is not a contested case hearing. A public meeting will be held if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application.

The TCEQ may grant a contested case hearing on this application if a written hearing request is filed by April 01, 2024. The Executive Director may approve the application unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed by April 01, 2024.

To request a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a brief and specific description of how you would be affected by the application in a way not common to the general public; and (5) the location and distance of your prop-

erty relative to the proposed activity. You may also submit proposed conditions for the requested permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address provided in the information section below.

If a hearing request is filed, the Executive Director will not issue the permit and will forward the application and hearing request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

Written hearing requests, public comments, or requests for a public meeting should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or electronically at https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/ by entering ADJ 5311 in the search field. For information concerning the hearing process, please contact the Public Interest Counsel, MC 103, at the same address.

For additional information, individual members of the general public may contact the Public Education Program at (800) 687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.texas.gov. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al (800) 687-4040 o por el internet al www.tceq.texas.gov.

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: February 28, 2024



Notice of an Application for a Water Use Permit Application No. 13728

The Lavaca-Navidad River Authority (LNRA/Applicant), 4631 FM 3131, Edna, Texas 77957, has applied for a water use permit (Permit) to construct and maintain a reservoir impounding 240 acre-feet of water on the Lavaca River, Lavaca River Basin, divert 96,022 acre-feet of water per year from a diversion reach on the Lavaca River for municipal, industrial, and mining purposes in Calhoun, Jackson, Matagorda, Wharton, and Victoria counties in the Lavaca River Basin and the Colorado-Lavaca and Lavaca-Guadalupe Coastal Basins, authorize use of the bed and banks of the Navidad River (Lake Texana) to convey the diverted water and/or store the diverted water in an off-channel reservoir, overdraft Lake Texana under specified conditions, authorize reuse of the water diverted and used under the permit, and temporarily use 1,500 acre-feet of the authorized water for industrial purposes.

More information on the application and how to participate in the permitting process is given below.

The application and fees were received on March 23, 2020. Additional information was received on June 25, 2020. The application was declared administratively complete and accepted for filing with the Office of the Chief Clerk on July 10, 2020. Additional information was received on February 24, and March 19, 2021, and March 8, 2023.

The Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if granted, would include special conditions including, but not limited to, streamflow restrictions and maintenance of an accounting plan. The application, technical memoranda, and Executive Director's draft permit are available for viewing on the TCEQ webpage at: https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/water\_rights/wr-permitting/view-wr- pend-apps. Alternatively, you may request a copy of the documents by contacting the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at

(512) 239-3300 or by mail at TCEQ OCC, Notice Team (MC-105), P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711.

Written public comments and requests for a public meeting should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of the notice. A public meeting is intended for the taking of public comment, and is not a contested case hearing. A public meeting will be held if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application.

The TCEQ may grant a contested case hearing on this application if a written hearing request is filed within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice. The Executive Director may approve the application unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days after newspaper publication of this notice.

To request a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[*I/we*] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a brief and specific description of how you would be affected by the application in a way not common to the general public; and (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the proposed activity. You may also submit proposed conditions for the requested permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address provided in the information section below.

If a hearing request is filed, the Executive Director will not issue the permit and will forward the application and hearing request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

Written hearing requests, public comments, or requests for a public meeting should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or electronically at https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/ by entering WRPERM 13728 in the search field. For information concerning the hearing process, please contact the Public Interest Counsel, MC 103, at the same address. For additional information, individual members of the general public may contact the Public Education Program at (800) 687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.texas.gov. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al (800) 687-4040 o por el internet al http://www.tceq.texas.gov.

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: February 28, 2024

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Notice of Opportunity to Comment on an Agreed Order of Administrative Enforcement Actions

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ or commission) staff is providing an opportunity for written public comment on the listed Agreed Order (AO) in accordance with Texas Water Code (TWC), §7.075. TWC, §7.075, requires that before the commission may approve the AO, the commission shall allow the public an opportunity to submit written comments on the proposed AO. TWC, §7.075, requires that notice of the opportunity to comment must be published in the *Texas Register* no later than the 30th day before the date on which the public comment period closes, which in this case is **April 8, 2024.** 

TWC, §7.075, also requires that the commission promptly consider any written comments received and that the commission may withdraw or withhold approval of an AO if a comment discloses facts or considerations that indicate that consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the statutes and rules within the commission's jurisdiction or the commission's orders and permits issued in accordance with the commission's regulatory authority. Additional notice of changes to a proposed AO is not required to be published if those changes are made in response to written comments.

A copy of the proposed AO is available for public inspection at both the commission's central office, located at 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building A, 3rd Floor, Austin, Texas 78753, (512) 239-3400 and at the applicable regional office listed as follows. Written comments about an AO should be sent to the attorney designated for the AO at the commission's central office at P.O. Box 13087, MC 175, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 and must be **received by 5:00 p.m. on April 8, 2024.** The designated attorney is available to discuss the AO and/or the comment procedure at the listed phone number; however, TWC, §7.075, provides that comments on an AO shall be submitted to the commission in **writing.** 

(1) COMPANY: City of Trinity; DOCKET NUMBER: 2021-0717-PWS-E; TCEQ ID NUMBER: RN101218105; LOCATION: intersection of Railroad Street and East Madison Street, Trinity, Trinity County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water system; RULES VI-OLATED: Texas Health and Safety Code, §341.0315 and 30 TAC §290.46(d)(2)(B) and §290.110(b)(4), by failing to maintain a disinfectant residual of at least 0.5 milligrams per liter of total chlorine throughout the distribution system at all times; 30 TAC §290.46(q)(1), by failing to provide a copy of the boil water notice (BWN) to the executive director (ED) within 24 hours after issuance by the facility and a signed Certificate of Delivery to the ED within ten days after issuance of the BWN; 30 TAC §290.46(f)(2), (3)(A)(iii), (iv), and (B)(iii), by failing to maintain water works operations and maintenance records and make them readily available for review by the ED upon request; and 30 TAC §290.46(n)(2), by failing to make available an accurate and up-to-date map of the distribution system so that valves and mains can be easily located during emergencies; PENALTY: \$4,928; STAFF ATTORNEY: Misty James, Litigation, MC 175, (512) 239-0631; REGIONAL OFFICE: Beaumont Regional Office, 3870 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, Texas 77703-1830, (409) 898-3838.

TRD-202400874 Gitanjali Yadav

Deputy Director, Litigation

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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Notice of Public Meeting for Municipal Solid Waste Permit Proposed Permit No. 2419

**Application.** Hill Country Waste Solutions, LLC has submitted an application to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a new municipal solid waste transfer station. The facility is proposed to be located at 11301 US Highway 281 North, Spring Branch, Comal County, Texas 78070-6301. The TCEQ received this application on May 19, 2023. The following link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice: https://arcg.is/1Kv9C2. For the exact location, refer to the application.

Additional Notice. TCEQ's Executive Director has determined the application is technically complete. The Executive Director has prepared a draft permit and issued a preliminary decision on the application. Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published

and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list and to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the deadline for submitting public comments.

**Public Comment/Public Meeting.** A public meeting is not a contested case hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act. The public meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday April 4, 2024, at Smithson Valley Middle School, located at 6101 FM 311, Spring Branch, Texas 78070. The applicant and TCEQ staff will be available before the public meeting to answer individual's questions from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m..

The Public Meeting is to be held:

Thursday, April 4, 2024, at 7:30 p.m.

Question and Answer Time from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Smithson Valley Middle School

6101 FM 311

Spring Branch, Texas 78070

Any comments or questions asked during the question and answer period before the start of the public meeting will not be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application and no formal response will be made. At 7:30 p.m. the formal comment period will begin, and members of the public may state their formal comments orally into the official record. A written response to all formal comments will be prepared by the Executive Director. All formal comments will be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application. A copy of the written response will be sent to each person who submits a formal comment or who requested to be on the mailing list for this permit application and provides a mailing address. Only relevant and material issues raised during the formal comment period can be considered if a contested case hearing is granted on this permit application.

**Information.** Citizens are encouraged to submit written comments anytime during the public meeting or by mail before the close of the public comment period to the Office of the Chief Clerk, TCEQ, Mail Code MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or electronically at https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/. If you need more information about the permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, toll free, at (800) 687-4040. General information can be found at our Web site at www.tceq.texas.gov. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al (800) 687-4040.

The permit application is available for viewing and copying at Mammen Family Public Library, 131 Bulverde Crossing, Bulverde, Comal County, Texas 78163, and may be viewed online at https://www.hcwastesolutions.com/transfer. Further information may also be obtained from Hill Country Waste Solutions, L.L.C., at the mailing P.O. Box 960, Spring Branch, Texas 78070 or by calling Mr. Karlis Ercums, IV, President at (830) 885-5512.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the meeting should call the Office of the Chief Clerk at (512) 239-3300 or (800) RELAY-TX (TDD) at least five business days prior to the meeting.

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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Notice of Public Meeting for TPDES Permit for Municipal Wastewater New Permit No. WO0016260001

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. 705 Limmerloop JV LLC, 5900 Balcones Drive, Suite 100, Austin, Texas 78731, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a new Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0016260001, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 50,000 gallons per day. TCEQ received this application on November 29, 2022.

The facility will be located approximately 650 feet northeast of the intersection of Etna Way and Limmer Loop (County Road 109), in Williamson County, Texas 78634. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application.

https://gisweb.tceq.texas.gov/LocationMapper/?marker=97.594469,30.563358&level=18

The treated effluent will be discharged to an unnamed ditch, thence to an unnamed tributary, thence to McNutt Creek, thence to Brushy Creek in Segment No. 1244 of the Brazos River Basin. The unclassified receiving water uses are minimal aquatic life use for the unnamed ditch, limited aquatic life use for the unnamed tributary, and high aquatic life use for the McNutt Creek. The designated uses for Segment No. 1244 are primary contact recreation, public water supply, aquifer protection, and high aquatic life use. The aquifer protection use applies to the contributing, recharge, and transition zones of the Edwards Aquifer. However, this facility is downstream of these areas.

In accordance with 30 Texas Administrative Code §307.5 and TCEQ's *Procedures to Implement the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards* (June 2010), an antidegradation review of the receiving waters was performed. A Tier 1 antidegradation review has preliminarily determined that existing water quality uses will not be impaired by this permit action. Numerical and narrative criteria to protect existing uses will be maintained. A Tier 2 review has preliminarily determined that no significant degradation of water quality is expected in McNutt Creek, which has been identified as having high aquatic life use. Existing uses will be maintained and protected. The preliminary determination can be reexamined and may be modified if new information is received.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements.

ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE NOTICE. Alternative language notice in Spanish is available at https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/wastewater/plain-language-summaries-and-public-notices. El aviso de idioma alternativo en español está disponible en https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/wastewater/plain-language-summaries-and-public-notices.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. A public meeting will be held and will consist of two parts, an Informal Discussion Period and a Formal Comment Period. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act. During the Informal Discussion Period, the public will be encouraged to ask questions of the applicant and TCEQ staff concerning the permit application. The comments and questions submitted orally during the Informal Discussion Period will not be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application and no formal response will be made. Responses will be provided orally during the Informal Discussion Period. Dur-

ing the Formal Comment Period on the permit application, members of the public may state their formal comments orally into the official record. A written response to all timely, relevant and material, or significant comments will be prepared by the Executive Director. All formal comments will be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application. A copy of the written response will be sent to each person who submits a formal comment or who requested to be on the mailing list for this permit application and provides a mailing address. Only relevant and material issues raised during the Formal Comment Period can be considered if a contested case hearing is granted on this permit application.

The Public Meeting is to be held:

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

**Hutto High School Gymnasium** 

101 FM 685

Hutto, Texas 78634

**INFORMATION.** Members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments anytime during the meeting or by mail before the close of the public comment period to the Office of the Chief Clerk, TCEQ, Mail Code MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/comment. If you need more information about the permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at (800) 687-4040. Si desea información en español puede llamar (800) 687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at https://www.tceq.texas.gov

The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Hutto Public Library, 500 West Live Oak Street, Hutto, Texas. Further information may also be obtained from 705 Limmerloop JV LLC at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Brian Tucker, Senior Vice President of Development, at (512) 675-6864.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the meeting should call the Office of the Chief Clerk at (512) 239-3300 or (800) RELAY-TX (TDD) at least five business days prior to the meeting.

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# **General Land Office**

Notice of Funds Availability - Texas Coastal Management Program

The General Land Office (GLO) and the Coastal Coordination Advisory Committee (CCAC) file this Notice of Funds Availability to announce upcoming federal grant funds provided by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and state grant funds provided by the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act to the Texas Coastal Management Program (CMP). The purpose of the CMP is to improve the management of the state's coastal resources and ensure the long-term ecological and economic productivity of the coast.

A federal award from NOAA to the CMP, approximating \$2 million, is expected in October 2025 and state GOMESA funds are expected

in April 2025. The GLO, the agency responsible for administering the CMP with the advice of the CCAC, will pass through the funding to eligible entities to support projects that implement and/or advance the CMP goals and policies. Projects must be located within the coastal zone boundary established by the Texas Legislature in 1995.

The following entities are eligible to receive grants under the CMP.

Incorporated cities within the coastal zone boundary

County governments within the coastal zone boundary

Texas state agencies

Texas public colleges/universities

Subdivisions of the state with jurisdiction within the coastal zone boundary (e.g., navigation districts, port authorities, river authorities, and soil and water conservation districts)

Councils of governments and other regional governmental entities within the coastal zone boundary

The Galveston Bay Estuary Program

The Coastal Bend Bays and Estuaries Program

Nonprofit Organizations that are registered as a 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) and have an office located in Texas.

The GLO and the CCAC will accept applications for NOAA-funded and GOMESA-funded projects through a competitive application process. Projects must address at least one of the CMP funding priorities listed in the CMP Cycle 30 Guidance document.

The GLO will hold three in-person grant workshops to provide information on the funding priorities, outline application requirements, and give potential applicants the opportunity to discuss specific project ideas with GLO staff. Applicants are not required to attend a workshop, but attendance is strongly encouraged. Identical information will be presented at all three workshops.

## Workshop 1 - South Padre Island

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

South Padre Island Birding and Nature Center

6801 Padre Boulevard

South Padre Island, Texas 78597

### Workshop 2 - Port Aransas

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The Patton Center

855 E Cotter Ave

Port Aransas, Texas 78373

## Workshop 3 - League City

Friday, April 19, 2024

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Johnnie Adolfo Civic Center

400 W Walker St

League City, Texas 77573

**Registration is required to attend the workshops.** Registration for all workshops will close on Friday, April 12, 2024, at 5:00 pm. Workshop registration links are shown below.

South Padre Island: texas-coastal-management-program.tick-etleap.com/south-padre-island-workshop/

Port Aransas: texas-coastal-management-program.tick-etleap.com/port-aransas-workshop/

League City: texas-coastal-management-program.tick-etleap.com/league-city---cmp-grant-workshop/

The requirements to receive federal or state grant funds are outlined in the CMP Cycle 30 Guidance document. This document along with the online application portal, financial guidance, and other useful information can be found here: http://www.glo.texas.gov/coast/grant-projects/funding/.

Applications for NOAA-funded projects and GOMESA funded Projects of Special Merit are due by 5:00 p.m. on June 5, 2024. To be considered for funding, applications must be submitted electronically in the online application portal. The Cycle 30 application for NOAA-based and PSM funding is similar to a Letter of Intent. If a project is selected to move forward to development, the applicant will receive a conditional Intent to Fund notification in August 2024. The applicant and CMP staff will then work to develop the work plan and budget. The applicant will also be responsible for providing all required supporting documentation by November 6, 2024. If the applicant and CMP staff successfully develop a project scope, the applicant will receive a Final Funding Confirmation notice in early 2025.

TRD-202400825 Mark Havens Chief Clerk General Land Office Filed: February 26, 2024

## **Texas Health and Human Services Commission**

Public Hearing - Revised Date - Texas State Hospital Long-Range Planning Report Meetings

HHSC will conduct two hybrid (in-person and virtual) meetings on March 13th and April 16th, 2024, to receive public comment on the draft long-range planning report for the Texas State Hospitals. A draft report will be available to the public on the HHS website prior to the March 19th meeting. The report will address:

- (1) projected future bed requirements for state hospitals;
- (2) documenting the methodology used to develop the projection of future bed requirements;
- (3) projected maintenance costs for institutional facilities;
- (4) recommended strategies to maximize the use of institutional facilities; and
- (5) how each state hospital will:
- (A) serve and support the communities and consumers in its service area; and
- (B) fulfill statewide needs for specialized services.

The initiatives outlined in this report will guide the Texas State Hospitals for the next six years. This report is developed under the authority of Texas Health and Safety Code §533.032.

#### What

Meeting on the Texas State Hospitals Long Range Plan

#### When

Wednesday, March 13, 2024 - 1 p.m.

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 - 1 p.m.

#### Where

John H. Winters Building - Room 125E - 701 W. 51st St. Austin, Texas 78751

Virtual: Access a live stream of the meeting here: https://www.hhs.texas.gov/about/live-archived-meetings

#### **Virtual Oral Comments**

Members of the public must pre-register to provide oral comments virtually during the meeting by completing a Public Comment Registration form for March 13th at https://forms.office.com/r/5s0FVmYYMC. The April 16th form is located at https://forms.office.com/r/DL7fFaUi3t. The forms must be completed no later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, 2024, and Monday, April 15, 2024.

Please mark the correct box on the Public Comment Registration form and provide your name, either the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen, and your direct phone number. If you have completed the Public Comment Registration form, you will receive an email the day before the meeting with instructions for providing virtual public comment. Public comment is limited to three minutes. Each speaker providing oral public comments virtually must ensure their face is visible and their voice audible to the other participants while they are speaking. Each speaker must state their name and for whom they are speaking (if anyone). If you pre-register to speak and wish to provide a handout before the meeting, please submit an electronic copy in accessible PDF format that will be distributed to the appropriate HHSC staff. Handouts are limited to two pages (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only). Handouts must be emailed to SHS Central Administration@hhsc.state.tx.us immediately after pre-registering, but no later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, 2024, and Monday, April 15th, 2024, and must include the name of the person who will be commenting. Do not include health or other confidential information in your comments or handouts. Staff will not read handouts aloud during the hearing, but handouts will be provided to the appropriate HHSC staff.

### **In-Person Oral Comments**

Members of the public may provide oral public comment during the hearing in person at the hearing location either by pre-registering using the form above or without pre-registering by completing a form at the entrance to the meeting room. Do not include health or other confidential information in your comments.

## Written Comments

A member of the public who wishes to provide written public comments must either email the comments to SHS\_Central\_Administration@hhsc.state.tx.us no later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, 2024, and Monday, April 15th, 2024, or send written comments via U.S. mail, overnight mail, special deliver mail, or hand delivery to the mailing address at the bottom of this notice. Please include your name and the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen. Written comments are limited to two pages (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only). Do not include health or other confidential information in your comments. Staff will not read written comments

aloud during the meeting, but comments will be provided to the appropriate HHSC staff.

#### **Additional Information for Written Comments**

Written comments, requests to review comments or both may be sent by U.S. mail, overnight mail, special delivery mail, hand delivery, fax or email.

#### U.S. Mail

Texas Health and Human Services Commission

Health and Specialty Care System / Texas State Hospitals

Attention: Terina McIntyre, Mail Code 2023

Austin State Hospital

4110 Guadalupe Street, Austin, Texas 78751

### Overnight Mail, Special Delivery Mail or Hand Delivery

Texas Health and Human Services Commission

Health and Specialty Care System / Texas State Hospitals

Attention: Terina McIntyre, Mail Code 2023

Austin State Hospital

4110 Guadalupe Street, Austin, Texas 78751

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Public Notice - Texas State Plan for Medical Assistance Amendment

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) announces its intent to submit amendments to the Texas State Plan for Medical Assistance, under Title XIX of the Social Security Act. The proposed amendments will be effective April 1, 2024.

The purpose of the amendments is to update the fee schedules in the current state plan by adjusting fees, rates, or charges for Family Planning Services.

The proposed amendment is estimated to result in an annual aggregate expenditure of \$3,058 for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2024, consisting of \$2,735 in federal funds and \$306 in state general revenue. For FFY 2025, the estimated annual aggregate expenditure is \$6,050 consisting of \$5,445 in federal funds and \$605 in state general revenue. For FFY 2026, the estimated annual aggregate expenditure is \$5,987 consisting of \$5,388 in federal funds and \$599 in state general revenue.

Further detail on specific reimbursement rates and percentage changes will be made available on the HHSC Provider Finance website under the proposed effective date at: https://pfd.hhs.texas.gov/rate-packets.

Rate Hearing.

A Rate Hearing was conducted in person and online on February 5, 2024. Information about the proposed rate changes and hearings was published in the January 26, 2024, issue of the *Texas Register* (49 TexReg 438). Additional information and the notice of hearings can be found at https://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml. Archived recordings of the hearings can be found at https://www.hhs.texas.gov/about/meetings-events.

Copy of Proposed Amendment.

Interested parties may obtain additional information and/or a free copy of the proposed amendment by contacting Nicole Hotchkiss, State Plan Policy Advisor, by mail at the Health and Human Services Commission, P.O. Box 13247, Mail Code H-600, Austin, Texas 78711; by telephone at (512) 487-3349; by facsimile at (512) 730-7472; or by e-mail at Medicaid\_Chip\_SPA\_Inquiries@hhsc.state.tx.us. Copies of the proposed amendment will be available for review at the local county offices of HHSC, (which were formerly the local offices of the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services).

Written Comments.

Written comments about the proposed amendment and/or requests to review comments may be sent by U.S. mail, overnight mail, special delivery mail, hand delivery, fax, or email:

U.S. Mail

Texas Health and Human Services Commission

Attention: Provider Finance Department

Mail Code H-400

P.O. Box 149030

Austin, Texas 78714-9030

Overnight mail, special delivery mail, or hand delivery

Texas Health and Human Services Commission

Attention: Provider Finance Department

North Austin Complex

Mail Code H-400

4601 W. Guadalupe St.

Austin, Texas 78751

Phone number for package delivery: (512) 730-7401

Fax

Attention: Provider Finance at (512) 730-7475

Email

PFDAcuteCare@hhs.texas.gov

Preferred Communication.

For quickest response, please use e-mail or phone, if possible, for communication with HHSC related to this state plan amendment.

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**Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board** 

Meeting of Negotiated Rulemaking Committee on Texas Research Incentive Program (TRIP)

Date of Meeting: March 19, 2024 Start Time of Meeting: 9:30 a.m.

Additional Information Obtained From: Laurie Frederick, Convener, Laurie.Frederick@highered.texas.gov

Agenda:

1. Introductions

- 2. Brief Overview of the Negotiated Rulemaking Process: What it is, What it's not
- 3. Brief Overview of Roles and Responsibilities
- a) Role of Facilitator
- b) Role of Sponsor Agency
- c) Role of Committee Members
- 4. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Facilitator
- 5. Procedural Issues
- a) Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Ground Rules
- b) Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Definition of Consensus
- 6. Discussion of Draft Rule Language on Texas Research Incentive Program
- 7. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Proposed Rule Language on Texas Research Incentive Program

Individuals who may require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact Glenn Tramel, ADA Coordinator, at (512) 427-6193 at least five days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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Notice of Opportunity to Comment on Proposed Field of Study Curriculum for Communications

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (Coordinating Board) staff is providing an opportunity for written public comment on a revision of the Field of Study Curriculum (FOSC) for Communications.

Texas Education Code (TEC) Chapter 61, Subchapter S, establishes policies to facilitate statewide transfer, including the FOSC. Institutions must accept partially or fully completed Field of Study Curricula for academic credit toward the degree program in which the transfer student enrolls (TEC §61.823). The Coordinating Board has promulgated rules related to transfer policy in 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 1, Subchapter V, and Chapter 4, Subchapter B. Posting requirements may be found in 19 TAC §4.33(f) and §1.239(b).

The Communications Discipline-Specific Subcommittee met on October 18 - 19, 2023, to consider and make recommendations to the Texas Transfer Advisory Committee regarding the FOSC for this discipline. On November 27, 2023, the Texas Transfer Advisory Committee adopted the subcommittee recommendations for the designated Texas Core Curriculum courses and the Discipline Foundation Courses and

recommended their submission to the Commissioner of Higher Education for final approval.

The recommended courses are as follows:

Designated Core Courses in the Field of Study: There were no courses identified to be included in the designated core courses for the revied political science Field of Study.

Discipline Foundation Courses (12 semester credit hours):

SPCH 1311: Introduction to Speech Communication

SPCH 1315: Public Speaking

SPCH 1318: Interpersonal Communication

SPCH 1321: Business and Professional Communication

In addition to these courses, each general academic institution will have the opportunity to submit to the Coordinating Board at least six (6) semester credit hours of Directed Electives selected by the institution from the Academic Course Guide Manual. The complete FOSC will consist of the Designated Core Courses and Discipline Foundation Courses listed above, as well as Directed Electives selected by the relevant general academic institutions in compliance with the transfer rules in TAC Chapter 4, Subchapter B, including §§4.23(4), 4.32(b)(3), and 4.33.

General academic institutions will be required to transfer these courses and apply them for academic credit towards degree programs with majors in the following CIP Code:

09.0100: Communication, General

09.0101: Communication Studies/Speech Communication and Rhetoric

Written comments about the proposed field of study must be sent to Elizabeth Mayer, Assistant Commissioner for Academic and Health Affairs, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, P.O. Box 12788, Austin, Texas 78711, or via email to Elizabeth.Mayer@highered.texas.gov. Comments must be received by 5:00 p.m., April 6, 2024, to be considered.

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Notice of Public Hearing: State of Texas College Student Loan Bonds and State of Texas College Student Loan Refunding Bonds

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of a public hearing to be held by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (the "Issuer") on March 18, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Issuer, 1801 N. Congress Ave. Room 11.101/Conference Room 11A Austin, Texas 78701, with respect to the issuance by the Issuer of one or more series of State of Texas College Student Loan Bonds ("Loan Bonds") and State of Texas College Student Loan Refunding Bonds ("Refunding Bonds") (collectively, the "Bonds") in an aggregate amount of not more than (i) \$175,000,000 in Loan Bonds, the proceeds of which will be used by the Issuer to originate student loans to student borrowers at eligible institutions of higher education in the State of Texas under Chapter 52, Texas Education Code (the "Loan Program") and (ii) \$112,000,000 in Refunding Bonds, the proceeds of which will be used by the Issuer to refund certain student loan bonds that were previously issued by the

Issuer for the Loan Program to achieve a debt service savings. Descriptions of the Loan Program, the Bonds and the particular bonds to be refunded have been and will be kept on file at the office of the Issuer at the address set forth above. The Bonds will be general obligations of the State of Texas.

All interested persons are invited to attend such public hearing to express their views with respect to the Loan Program and the proposed issuance of the Bonds. Questions or requests for additional information may be directed to Anthony Infantini, Assistant Commissioner-Financial Services/Chief Financial Officer, 1801 N. Congress Ave. Suite 11.500 Austin, Texas 78701 or emailed to Anthony.Infantini@highered.texas.gov.

Persons who plan to attend are encouraged, in advance of the public hearing, to inform the Issuer either in writing or by telephone at (512) 427-6173. Any interested persons unable to attend the hearing may submit their views in writing to the Issuer prior to the date scheduled for the hearing.

This notice is published and the above described hearing is to be held in satisfaction of the requirements of section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, regarding the public hearing prerequisite to the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of the interest on the Bonds.

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# **Texas Department of Insurance**

Company Licensing

Application for incorporation in the state of Texas for Atlantes Insurance Reciprocal Exchange, a domestic reciprocal. The home office is in Dallas, Texas.

Application for incorporation in the state of Texas for USAA Falcon Property & Casualty Insurance Company, a domestic fire and/or casualty company. The home office is in San Antonio, Texas.

Application for Envolve Vision of Texas, Inc. d/b/a Centene Vision Services. The home office is in Austin, Texas.

Application for Envolve Dental of Texas, Inc. d/b/a Centene Dental Services. The home office is in Austin, Texas.

Any objections must be filed with the Texas Department of Insurance, within twenty (20) calendar days from the date of the *Texas Register* publication, addressed to the attention of John Carter, 1601 Congress Ave., Suite 6.900, Austin, Texas 78711.

TRD-202400885 Justin Beam

Chief Clerk

Texas Department of Insurance

Filed: February 28, 2024

Texas Windstorm Insurance Association--Rating Rules Filing

Reference No. P-0224-01

SERFF Tracking No. TWIA-133992349

State Tracking No. S719059

In accordance with 28 TAC §5.4911, the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) has filed revised rating rules with the Texas Department of Insurance for approval.

TWIA is revising its Rating Rules manual to conform to House Bill 3208, 88th Legislature, 2023. Under HB 3208, if a policyholder cancels their policy, TWIA will keep the entire annual premium unless the cancellation is for one of the reasons listed in Insurance Code §2210.204(d). This filing does not change TWIA's rates.

The revisions state that for policies effective on or after September 1, 2023, when a policyholder cancels a policy, TWIA will keep the entire annual premium, unless the policy was cancelled due to:

- the purchase of similar coverage in the private market,
- the death of the policyholder,
- the total loss of the property, or
- the sale of the insured property.

You can view the revised rating rules, TWIA's description of the filing, and other supporting information online at www.tdi.texas.gov/submissions/indextwia.html#form. You can also get a copy of the filing from the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC: GC-CCO, Texas Department of Insurance, P.O. Box 12030, Austin, Texas 78711-2030.

**Public Comment:** Comments on the revised rating rule filing may be sent to ChiefClerk@tdi.texas.gov or to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC: GC-CCO, Texas Department of Insurance, P.O. Box 12030, Austin, Texas 78711-2030 by 5:00 p.m., central time, on April 8, 2024.

**Hearing Requests:** To request a public hearing about the revised rating rules filing, you must submit a request separately by 5:00 p.m., central time, on March 28, 2024. Send the hearing request by email to ChiefClerk@tdi.texas.gov or by mail to the Texas Department of Insurance, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC: GC-CCO, P.O. Box 12030, Austin, Texas 78711-2030.

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# **Texas Lottery Commission**

Scratch Ticket Game Number 2581 "SUPER CROSSWORD"

1.0 Name and Style of Scratch Ticket Game.

A. The name of Scratch Ticket Game No. 2581 is "SUPER CROSS-WORD". The play style is "crossword".

1.1 Price of Scratch Ticket Game.

A. The price for Scratch Ticket Game No. 2581 shall be \$5.00 per Scratch Ticket.

1.2 Definitions in Scratch Ticket Game No. 2581.

A. Display Printing - That area of the Scratch Ticket outside of the area where the overprint and Play Symbols appear.

B. Latex Overprint - The removable scratch-off covering over the Play Symbols on the front of the Scratch Ticket.

C. Play Symbol - The printed data under the latex on the front of the Scratch Ticket that is used to determine eligibility for a prize. Each Play Symbol is printed in Symbol font in black ink in positive except for dual-image games. The possible black Play Symbols are: A, B,

C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, BLACKENED SQUARE SYMBOL, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00, \$25.00, \$50.00, \$100 and \$500.

D. Play Symbol Caption - The printed material appearing below each Play Symbol which explains the Play Symbol. One caption appears

under each Play Symbol and is printed in caption font in black ink in positive. Crossword and Bingo style games do not typically have Play Symbol captions. The Play Symbol Caption which corresponds with and verifies each Play Symbol is as follows:

Figure 1: GAME NO. 2581 - 1.2D

PLAY SYMBOL	CAPTION
A	
В	
С	
D	
E	
F	
G	
Н	
I	
J	
K	
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M	
N	
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Р	
Q	
R	
S	
Т	
U	
V	
W	
Х	
Υ	
Z	
BLACKENED SQUARE SYMBOL	

\$5.00	FIV\$
\$10.00	TEN\$
\$15.00	FFN\$
\$20.00	TWY\$
\$25.00	TWFV\$
\$50.00	FFTY\$
\$100	ONHN
\$500	FVHN

- E. Serial Number A unique thirteen (13) digit number appearing under the latex scratch-off covering on the front of the Scratch Ticket. The Serial Number is for validation purposes and cannot be used to play the game. The format will be: 0000000000000.
- F. Bar Code A twenty-four (24) character interleaved two (2) of five (5) Bar Code which will include a four (4) digit game ID, the seven (7) digit Pack number, the three (3) digit Ticket number and the ten (10) digit Validation Number. The Bar Code appears on the back of the Scratch Ticket.
- G. Game-Pack-Ticket Number A fourteen (14) digit number consisting of the four (4) digit game number (2581), a seven (7) digit Pack number, and a three (3) digit Ticket number. Ticket numbers start with 001 and end with 075 within each Pack. The format will be: 2581-0000001-001.
- H. Pack A Pack of the "SUPER CROSSWORD" Scratch Ticket Game contains 075 Tickets, packed in plastic shrink-wrapping and fanfolded in pages of one (1). Ticket 001 will be shown on the front of the Pack; the back of Ticket 075 will be revealed on the back of the Pack. All packs will be tightly shrink-wrapped. There will be no breaks between the Tickets in a Pack. Every other Pack will reverse; i.e., reverse order will be: the back of Ticket 001 will be shown on the front of the Pack and the front of Ticket 075 will be shown on the back of the Pack.
- I. Non-Winning Scratch Ticket A Scratch Ticket which is not programmed to be a winning Scratch Ticket or a Scratch Ticket that does not meet all of the requirements of these Game Procedures, the State Lottery Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 466), and applicable rules adopted by the Texas Lottery pursuant to the State Lottery Act and referenced in 16 TAC, Chapter 401.
- J. Scratch Ticket Game, Scratch Ticket or Ticket Texas Lottery "SU-PER CROSSWORD" Scratch Ticket Game No. 2581.
- 2.0 Determination of Prize Winners. The determination of prize winners is subject to the general Scratch Ticket validation requirements set forth in Texas Lottery Rule 401.302, Scratch Ticket Game Rules, these Game Procedures, and the requirements set out on the back of each Scratch Ticket. A prize winner in the "SUPER CROSSWORD" Scratch Ticket Game is determined once the latex on the Scratch Ticket is scratched off to expose the Play Symbols as indicated per the game instructions from the total one hundred ninety-seven (197) Play Symbols. SUPER CROSSWORD PLAY INSTRUCTIONS: The player completely scratches all of the YOUR 20 LETTERS Play Symbols to reveal 20 letters. The player then scratches all the letters found in

- GAME 1 and GAME 2 that exactly match the YOUR 20 LETTERS Play Symbols. If the player has scratched at least 3 complete WORDS within a GAME, the player wins the prize found in the corresponding PRIZE LEGEND. WORDS revealed in one GAME cannot be combined with WORDS revealed in the other GAME. Each GAME is played separately. Only 1 prize paid per GAME. Only letters within the same GAME that are matched with the YOUR 20 LETTERS Play Symbols can be used to form a complete WORD. In each GAME, every lettered square within an unbroken horizontal (left to right) or vertical (top to bottom) sequence must be matched with the YOUR 20 LET-TERS Play Symbols to be considered a complete WORD. Words revealed in a diagonal sequence are not considered valid WORDS. Words within WORDS are not eligible for a prize. Words that are spelled from right to left or bottom to top are not eligible for a prize. A complete WORD must contain at least 3 letters. GAME 1 can win by revealing 3 to 11 complete WORDS. GAME 2 can win by revealing 3 to 6 complete WORDS. BONUS WORD PLAY INSTRUCTIONS: The player scratches all the letters in the BONUS WORD that exactly match the YOUR 20 LETTERS Play Symbols. If the player scratches a complete BONUS WORD, the player wins the BONUS WORD PRIZE. A completed BONUS WORD cannot be used to win in GAME 1 or GAME 2. Each GAME and the BONUS WORD are played separately. No portion of the Display Printing nor any extraneous matter whatsoever shall be usable or playable as a part of the Scratch Ticket.
- 2.1 Scratch Ticket Validation Requirements.
- A. To be a valid Scratch Ticket, all of the following requirements must be met:
- 1. Exactly one hundred ninety-seven (197) Play Symbols must appear under the Latex Overprint on the front portion of the Scratch Ticket;
- 2. Each of the Play Symbols must have a Play Symbol Caption underneath, unless specified, and each Play Symbol must agree with its Play Symbol Caption. Crossword and Bingo style games do not typically have Play Symbol captions;
- 3. Each of the Play Symbols must be present in its entirety and be fully legible;
- 4. Each of the Play Symbols must be printed in black ink except for dual image games;
- 5. The Scratch Ticket shall be intact;
- 6. The Serial Number and Game-Pack-Ticket Number must be present in their entirety and be fully legible;

- 7. The Serial Number must correspond, using the Texas Lottery's codes, to the Play Symbols on the Scratch Ticket;
- 8. The Scratch Ticket must not have a hole punched through it, be mutilated, altered, unreadable, reconstituted or tampered with in any manner:
- 9. The Scratch Ticket must not be counterfeit in whole or in part;
- 10. The Scratch Ticket must have been issued by the Texas Lottery in an authorized manner;
- 11. The Scratch Ticket must not have been stolen, nor appear on any list of omitted Scratch Tickets or non-activated Scratch Tickets on file at the Texas Lottery;
- 12. The Play Symbols, Serial Number and Game-Pack-Ticket Number must be right side up and not reversed in any manner;
- 13. The Scratch Ticket must be complete and not miscut, and have exactly one hundred ninety-seven (197) Play Symbols under the Latex Overprint on the front portion of the Scratch Ticket, exactly one Serial Number and exactly one Game-Pack-Ticket Number on the Scratch Ticket;
- 14. The Serial Number of an apparent winning Scratch Ticket shall correspond with the Texas Lottery's Serial Numbers for winning Scratch Tickets, and a Scratch Ticket with that Serial Number shall not have been paid previously;
- 15. The Scratch Ticket must not be blank or partially blank, misregistered, defective or printed or produced in error;
- 16. Each of the one hundred ninety-seven (197) Play Symbols must be exactly one of those described in Section 1.2.C of these Game Procedures;
- 17. Each of the one hundred ninety-seven (197) Play Symbols on the Scratch Ticket must be printed in the Symbol font and must correspond precisely to the artwork on file at the Texas Lottery; the Scratch Ticket Serial Numbers must be printed in the Serial font and must correspond precisely to the artwork on file at the Texas Lottery; and the Game-Pack-Ticket Number must be printed in the Game-Pack-Ticket Number font and must correspond precisely to the artwork on file at the Texas Lottery;
- 18. The Display Printing on the Scratch Ticket must be regular in every respect and correspond precisely to the artwork on file at the Texas Lottery; and
- 19. The Scratch Ticket must have been received by the Texas Lottery by applicable deadlines.
- B. The Scratch Ticket must pass all additional validation tests provided for in these Game Procedures, the Texas Lottery's Rules governing the award of prizes of the amount to be validated, and any confidential validation and security tests of the Texas Lottery.
- C. Any Scratch Ticket not passing all of the validation requirements is void and ineligible for any prize and shall not be paid. However, the Executive Director may, solely at the Executive Director's discretion, refund the retail sales price of the Scratch Ticket. In the event a defective Scratch Ticket is purchased, the only responsibility or liability of the Texas Lottery shall be to replace the defective Scratch Ticket with another unplayed Scratch Ticket in that Scratch Ticket Game (or a Scratch Ticket of equivalent sales price from any other current Texas Lottery Scratch Ticket Game) or refund the retail sales price of the Scratch Ticket, solely at the Executive Director's discretion.
- 2.2 Programmed Game Parameters.

- A. GENERAL: Consecutive Non-Winning Tickets within a Pack will not have matching patterns, in the same order, of either Play Symbols or Prize Symbols.
- B. GENERAL: A Ticket can win as indicated by the prize structure.
- C. GENERAL: There will be no correlation between any exposed data on a Ticket and its status as a winning or Non-Winning Ticket.
- D. GENERAL: Each Ticket consists of a GAME 1 puzzle grid, a GAME 2 puzzle grid, a BONUS WORD puzzle grid, a BONUS WORD PRIZE play area and a YOUR 20 LETTERS play area.
- E. GENERAL: Each Ticket in a Pack will have different GAMES (i.e., the GAME 1 puzzle grid and the GAME 2 puzzle grid will have different words and configurations of words).
- F. GENERAL: A Ticket can only win one (1) time per GAME and BONUS WORD for a total of up to three (3) times per Ticket, as dictated by the prize structure.
- G. GENERAL: The BONUS WORD Prize Symbols will only appear in the BONUS WORD PRIZE play area and will never appear in the BONUS WORD puzzle grid, GAME 1 puzzle grid, GAME 2 puzzle grid or YOUR 20 LETTERS play area.
- H. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: The GAME 1 puzzle grid will be formatted with at least one thousand (1,000) configurations and the GAME 2 puzzle grid will be formatted with at least five hundred and sixty (560) configurations (i.e., puzzle layouts not including words).
- I. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: All GAME 1 puzzle grid configurations will be formatted within a grid that contains eleven (11) spaces (height) by eleven (11) spaces (width). All GAME 2 puzzle grid configurations will be formatted within a grid that contains seven (7) spaces (height) by seven (7) spaces (width).
- J. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: There will be no matching words on a Ticket.
- K. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: There will be no matching Play Symbols in the YOUR 20 LETTERS play area.
- L. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: Each GAME 1 grid will contain the following: a) Four (4) 3"letter words, b) Five (5) 4"letter words, c) Three (3) 5"letter words, d) Three (3) 6"letter words, e) One (1) 7"letter word, f) Two (2) 8"letter words, g) One (1) 9"letter word.
- M. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: Each GAME 2 grid will contain the following: a) Two (2) 3"letter words, b) Three (3) 4"letter words, c) Two (2) 5"letter words, d) Two (2) 6"letter words.
- N. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: There will be a minimum of three (3) vowels in the YOUR 20 LETTERS play area. Vowels are A, E, I, O and U.
- O. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: All words will contain a minimum of three (3) letters.
- P. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: All words will contain a maximum of nine (9) letters.
- Q. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: All words used will be from TX\_Approved Words Vers.2.042321.doc.
- R. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: Words from TX\_Prohibited\_Words\_Vers.2.042321.docx will not appear horizontally in the YOUR 20 LETTERS play area when read from left to right to left.
- S. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: A player will never find a word horizontally (in either direction), vertically (in either direction) or diagonally

(in either direction) in the YOUR 20 LETTERS play area that matches a word in the grid.

T. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: Each grid will have a maximum number of different grid formations with respect to other constraints. That is, for identically formatted grids (i.e., the same puzzle grid), all "approved words" will appear in every logical (i.e., 3 letter word = 3 letter space) position, with regards to limitations caused by the actual letters contained in each word (i.e., this will not place the word "ZOO" in a position that causes an intersection word to require the second letter to be "Z" when in fact, there are no approved words with a "Z" in the second letter position).

U. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: No consonant will appear more than nine (9) times in the GAME 1 grid.

V. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: No consonant will appear more than seven (7) times in the GAME 2 grid.

W. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: Each non-winning grid (GAME 1/GAME 2) will have two (2) completed words.

X. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: At least fifteen (15) of the YOUR 20 LETTERS Play Symbols will open at least one (1) letter in the GAME 1, GAME 2 and BONUS WORD play areas.

Y. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: The presence or absence of any letter in the YOUR 20 LETTERS play area will not be indicative of a winning or Non-Winning Ticket.

Z. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: GAME 1 will not have more than eleven (11) words completed.

AA. GAME 1 AND GAME 2: GAME 2 will not have more than six (6) words completed.

BB. BONUS WORD: The BONUS WORD can be completed and won, as indicated by the the prize structure.

CC. BONUS WORD: The BONUS WORD will contain exactly six (6) letters and will not match any word in either the GAME 1 or GAME 2 grids.

DD. BONUS WORD: On winning Tickets when only the BONUS WORD is completed, two (2) completed words will be revealed in each of the non-winning GAME 1 and GAME 2 grids.

EE. BONUS WORD: The BONUS WORD will have at least two (2) letter play spots opened by the YOUR 20 LETTERS.

2.3 Procedure for Claiming Prizes.

A. To claim a "SUPER CROSSWORD" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$5.00, \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00, \$25.00, \$50.00, \$100, \$200 or \$500, a claimant shall sign the back of the Scratch Ticket in the space designated on the Scratch Ticket and may present the winning Scratch Ticket to any Texas Lottery Retailer. The Texas Lottery Retailer shall verify the claim and, if valid, and upon presentation of proper identification, if appropriate, make payment of the amount due the claimant and physically void the Scratch Ticket; provided that the Texas Lottery Retailer may, but is not required, to pay a \$25.00, \$50.00, \$100, \$200 or \$500 Scratch Ticket Game. In the event the Texas Lottery Retailer cannot verify the claim, the Texas Lottery Retailer shall provide the claimant with a claim form and instruct the claimant on how to file a claim with the Texas Lottery. If the claim is validated by the Texas Lottery, a check shall be forwarded to the claimant in the amount due. In the event the claim is not validated, the claim shall be denied and the claimant shall be notified promptly. A claimant may also claim any of the above prizes under the procedure described in Section 2.3.B and Section 2.3.C of these Game Procedures.

B. To claim a "SUPER CROSSWORD" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$1,000 or \$100,000, the claimant must sign the winning Scratch Ticket and may present it at one of the Texas Lottery's Claim Centers. If the claim is validated by the Texas Lottery, payment will be made to the bearer of the validated winning Scratch Ticket for that prize upon presentation of proper identification. When paying a prize of \$600 or more, the Texas Lottery shall file the appropriate income reporting form with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and shall withhold federal income tax at a rate set by the IRS if required. In the event that the claim is not validated by the Texas Lottery, the claim shall be denied and the claimant shall be notified promptly.

C. As an alternative method of claiming a "SUPER CROSSWORD" Scratch Ticket Game prize the claimant may submit the signed winning Scratch Ticket and a thoroughly completed claim form via mail. If a prize value is \$1,000,000 or more, the claimant must also provide proof of Social Security number or Tax Payer Identification (for U.S. Citizens or Resident Aliens). Mail all to: Texas Lottery Commission, P.O. Box 16600, Austin, Texas 78761-6600. The Texas Lottery is not responsible for Scratch Tickets lost in the mail. In the event that the claim is not validated by the Texas Lottery, the claim shall be denied and the claimant shall be notified promptly.

D. Prior to payment by the Texas Lottery of any prize, the Texas Lottery shall deduct the amount of a delinquent tax or other money from the winnings of a prize winner who has been finally determined to be:

- 1. delinquent in the payment of a tax or other money to a state agency and that delinquency is reported to the Comptroller under Government Code §403.055;
- 2. in default on a loan made under Chapter 52, Education Code;
- 3. in default on a loan guaranteed under Chapter 57, Education Code; or
- 4. delinquent in child support payments in the amount determined by a court or a Title IV-D agency under Chapter 231, Family Code.
- E. If a person is indebted or owes delinquent taxes to the State, other than those specified in the preceding paragraph, the winnings of a person shall be withheld until the debt or taxes are paid.
- 2.4 Allowance for Delay of Payment. The Texas Lottery may delay payment of the prize pending a final determination by the Executive Director, under any of the following circumstances:

A. if a dispute occurs, or it appears likely that a dispute may occur, regarding the prize;

B. if there is any question regarding the identity of the claimant;

C. if there is any question regarding the validity of the Scratch Ticket presented for payment; or

D. if the claim is subject to any deduction from the payment otherwise due, as described in Section 2.3.D of these Game Procedures. No liability for interest for any delay shall accrue to the benefit of the claimant pending payment of the claim.

2.5 Payment of Prizes to Persons Under 18. If a person under the age of 18 years is entitled to a cash prize under \$600 from the "SUPER CROSSWORD" Scratch Ticket Game, the Texas Lottery shall deliver to an adult member of the minor's family or the minor's guardian a check or warrant in the amount of the prize payable to the order of the minor.

2.6 If a person under the age of 18 years is entitled to a cash prize of \$600 or more from the "SUPER CROSSWORD" Scratch Ticket Game, the Texas Lottery shall deposit the amount of the prize in a custodial

bank account, with an adult member of the minor's family or the minor's guardian serving as custodian for the minor.

- 2.7 Scratch Ticket Claim Period. All Scratch Ticket prizes must be claimed within 180 days following the end of the Scratch Ticket Game or within the applicable time period for certain eligible military personnel as set forth in Texas Government Code §466.408. Any rights to a prize that is not claimed within that period, and in the manner specified in these Game Procedures and on the back of each Scratch Ticket, shall be forfeited.
- 2.8 Disclaimer. The number of prizes in a game is approximate based on the number of Scratch Tickets ordered. The number of actual prizes available in a game may vary based on number of Scratch Tickets manufactured, testing, distribution, sales and number of prizes claimed. A Scratch Ticket Game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed.
- 3.0 Scratch Ticket Ownership.

A. Until such time as a signature is placed upon the back portion of a Scratch Ticket in the space designated, a Scratch Ticket shall be owned

by the physical possessor of said Scratch Ticket. When a signature is placed on the back of the Scratch Ticket in the space designated, the player whose signature appears in that area shall be the owner of the Scratch Ticket and shall be entitled to any prize attributable thereto. Notwithstanding any name or names submitted on a claim form, the Executive Director shall make payment to the player whose signature appears on the back of the Scratch Ticket in the space designated. If more than one name appears on the back of the Scratch Ticket, the Executive Director will require that one of those players whose name appears thereon be designated by such players to receive payment.

B. The Texas Lottery shall not be responsible for lost or stolen Scratch Tickets and shall not be required to pay on a lost or stolen Scratch Ticket.

4.0 Number and Value of Scratch Prizes. There will be approximately 30,240,000 Scratch Tickets in Scratch Ticket Game No. 2581. The approximate number and value of prizes in the game are as follows:

Figure 2: GAME NO. 2581 - 4.0

Prize Amount	Approximate Number of Winners*	Approximate Odds are 1 in **
\$5.00	3,225,600	9.38
\$10.00	1,209,600	25.00
\$15.00	1,209,600	25.00
\$20.00	806,400	37.50
\$25.00	604,800	50.00
\$50.00	302,400	100.00
\$100	62,496	483.87
\$200	5,880	5,142.86
\$500	2,184	13,846.15
\$1,000	300	100,800.00
\$100,000	13	2,326,153.85

<sup>\*</sup>The number of prizes in a game is approximate based on the number of tickets ordered. The number of actual prizes available in a game may vary based on number of tickets manufactured, testing, distribution, sales and number of prizes claimed.

A. The actual number of Scratch Tickets in the game may be increased or decreased at the sole discretion of the Texas Lottery Commission.

5.0 End of the Scratch Ticket Game. The Executive Director may, at any time, announce a closing date (end date) for the Scratch Ticket

<sup>\*\*</sup>The overall odds of winning a prize are 1 in 4.07. The individual odds of winning for a particular prize level may vary based on sales, distribution, testing, and number of prizes claimed.

Game No. 2581 without advance notice, at which point no further Scratch Tickets in that game may be sold. The determination of the closing date and reasons for closing will be made in accordance with the Scratch Ticket closing procedures and the Scratch Ticket Game Rules. See 16 TAC §401.302(j).

6.0 Governing Law. In purchasing a Scratch Ticket, the player agrees to comply with, and abide by, these Game Procedures for Scratch Ticket Game No. 2581, the State Lottery Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 466), applicable rules adopted by the Texas Lottery pursuant to the State Lottery Act and referenced in 16 TAC, Chapter 401, and all final decisions of the Executive Director.

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Scratch Ticket Game Number 2586 "MILLION DOLLAR LOTERIA"

1.0 Name and Style of Scratch Ticket Game.

A. The name of Scratch Ticket Game No. 2586 is "MILLION DOLLAR LOTERIA". The play style is "row/column/diagonal".

1.1 Price of Scratch Ticket Game.

A. The price for Scratch Ticket Game No. 2586 shall be \$20.00 per Scratch Ticket.

1.2 Definitions in Scratch Ticket Game No. 2586.

A. Display Printing - That area of the Scratch Ticket outside of the area where the overprint and Play Symbols appear.

B. Latex Overprint - The removable scratch-off covering over the Play Symbols on the front of the Scratch Ticket.

C. Play Symbol - The printed data under the latex on the front of the Scratch Ticket that is used to determine eligibility for a prize. Each Play Symbol is printed in Symbol font in black ink in positive except for dual-image games. The possible black Play Symbols are: ARMADILLO SYMBOL, BAT SYMBOL, BICYCLE SYMBOL, BLUEBONNET SYMBOL, BOAR SYMBOL, BUTTERFLY SYM-BOL, CACTUS SYMBOL, CARDINAL SYMBOL, CHERRIES SYMBOL, CHILE PEPPER SYMBOL, CORN SYMBOL, COV-ERED WAGON SYMBOL, COW SYMBOL, COWBOY SYMBOL, COWBOY HAT SYMBOL, DESERT SYMBOL, FIRE SYMBOL, FOOTBALL SYMBOL, GEM SYMBOL, GUITAR SYMBOL, HEN SYMBOL, HORSE SYMBOL, HORSESHOE SYMBOL, JACKRABBIT SYMBOL, LIZARD SYMBOL, LONE STAR SYMBOL, MARACAS SYMBOL, MOCKINGBIRD SYMBOL, MOONRISE SYMBOL, MORTAR PESTLE SYMBOL, NEWS-PAPER SYMBOL, OIL RIG SYMBOL, PECAN TREE SYMBOL, PIÑATA SYMBOL, RACE CAR SYMBOL, RATTLESNAKE SYMBOL, ROADRUNNER SYMBOL, SADDLE SYMBOL, SHIP SYMBOL, SHOES SYMBOL, SOCCER BALL SYMBOL, SPEAR SYMBOL, SPUR SYMBOL, STRAWBERRY SYMBOL, SUNSET SYMBOL, WHEEL SYMBOL, WINDMILL SYMBOL, CHECK SYMBOL, GOLD BAR SYMBOL, HEART SYMBOL, MONEY BAG SYMBOL, STAR SYMBOL, ARMORED CAR SYMBOL, BANK SYMBOL, COINS SYMBOL, STACK OF BILLS SYMBOL, VAULT SYMBOL, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$30.00, \$40.00, \$50.00, \$100, \$200, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$20,000 and \$1,000,000.

D. Play Symbol Caption - The printed material appearing below each Play Symbol which explains the Play Symbol. One caption appears under each Play Symbol and is printed in caption font in black ink in positive. The Play Symbol Caption which corresponds with and verifies each Play Symbol is as follows:

Figure 1: GAME NO. 2586 - 1.2D

PLAY SYMBOL	CAPTION	
ARMADILLO SYMBOL	ARMADILLO	
BAT SYMBOL	ВАТ	
BICYCLE SYMBOL	BICYCLE	
BLUEBONNET SYMBOL	BLUEBONNET	
BOAR SYMBOL	BOAR	
BUTTERFLY SYMBOL	BUTTERFLY	
CACTUS SYMBOL	CACTUS	
CARDINAL SYMBOL	CARDINAL	
CHERRIES SYMBOL	CHERRIES	
CHILE PEPPER SYMBOL	CHILE PEPPER	
CORN SYMBOL	CORN	
COVERED WAGON SYMBOL	COVERED WAGON	
COW SYMBOL	cow	
COWBOY SYMBOL	COWBOY	
COWBOY HAT SYMBOL	COWBOY HAT	
DESERT SYMBOL	DESERT	
FIRE SYMBOL	FIRE	
FOOTBALL SYMBOL	FOOTBALL	
GEM SYMBOL	GEM	
GUITAR SYMBOL	GUITAR	
HEN SYMBOL	HEN	
HORSE SYMBOL	HORSE	
HORSESHOE SYMBOL	HORSESHOE	
JACKRABBIT SYMBOL	JACKRABBIT	
LIZARD SYMBOL	LIZARD	
LONE STAR SYMBOL	LONE STAR	
MARACAS SYMBOL	MARACAS	
MOCKINGBIRD SYMBOL	MOCKINGBIRD	
MOONRISE SYMBOL	MOONRISE	
MORTAR PESTLE SYMBOL	MORTAR PESTLE	

NEWSPAPER SYMBOL	NEWSPAPER		
OIL RIG SYMBOL	OIL RIG		
PECAN TREE SYMBOL	PECAN TREE		
PIÑATA SYMBOL	PIÑATA		
RACE CAR SYMBOL	RACE CAR		
RATTLESNAKE SYMBOL	RATTLESNAKE		
ROADRUNNER SYMBOL	ROADRUNNER		
SADDLE SYMBOL	SADDLE		
SHIP SYMBOL	SHIP		
SHOES SYMBOL	SHOES		
SOCCER BALL SYMBOL	SOCCER BALL		
SPEAR SYMBOL	SPEAR		
SPUR SYMBOL	SPUR		
STRAWBERRY SYMBOL	STRAWBERRY		
SUNSET SYMBOL	SUNSET		
WHEEL SYMBOL	WHEEL		
WINDMILL SYMBOL	WINDMILL		
CHECK SYMBOL	CHECK		
GOLD BAR SYMBOL	GOLD BAR		
HEART SYMBOL	HEART		
MONEY BAG SYMBOL	MONEYBAG		
STAR SYMBOL	STAR		
ARMORED CAR SYMBOL	ARMCAR		
BANK SYMBOL	BANK		
COINS SYMBOL	COINS		
STACK OF BILLS SYMBOL	STACKOFBILLS		
VAULT SYMBOL	VAULT		
\$10.00	TEN\$		
\$20.00	TWY\$		
\$30.00	TRTY\$		
\$40.00	FRTY\$		
\$50.00	FFTY\$		
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\$100	ONHN
\$200	TOHN
\$500	FVHN
\$1,000	ONTH
\$5,000	FVTH
\$20,000	20TH
\$1,000,000	TPPZ

- E. Serial Number A unique 13 (thirteen) digit number appearing under the latex scratch-off covering on the front of the Scratch Ticket. The Serial Number is for validation purposes and cannot be used to play the game. The format will be: 00000000000000.
- F. Bar Code A 24 (twenty-four) character interleaved two (2) of five (5) Bar Code which will include a four (4) digit game ID, the seven (7) digit Pack number, the three (3) digit Ticket number and the ten (10) digit Validation Number. The Bar Code appears on the back of the Scratch Ticket.
- G. Game-Pack-Ticket Number A 14 (fourteen) digit number consisting of the four (4) digit game number (2586), a seven (7) digit Pack number, and a three (3) digit Ticket number. Ticket numbers start with 001 and end with 025 within each Pack. The format will be: 2586-0000001-001.
- H. Pack A Pack of the "MILLION DOLLAR LOTERIA" Scratch Ticket Game contains 025 Tickets, packed in plastic shrink-wrapping and fanfolded in pages of one (1). Ticket 001 will be shown on the front of the Pack; the back of Ticket 025 will be revealed on the back of the Pack. All Packs will be tightly shrink-wrapped. There will be no breaks between the Tickets in a Pack. Every other Pack will reverse i.e., reverse order will be: the back of Ticket 001 will be shown on the front of the Pack and the front of Ticket 025 will be shown on the back of the Pack.
- I. Non-Winning Scratch Ticket A Scratch Ticket which is not programmed to be a winning Scratch Ticket or a Scratch Ticket that does not meet all of the requirements of these Game Procedures, the State Lottery Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 466), and applicable rules adopted by the Texas Lottery pursuant to the State Lottery Act and referenced in 16 TAC, Chapter 401.
- J. Scratch Ticket Game, Scratch Ticket or Ticket Texas Lottery "MIL-LION DOLLAR LOTERIA" Scratch Ticket Game No. 2586.
- 2.0 Determination of Prize Winners. The determination of prize winners is subject to the general Scratch Ticket validation requirements set forth in Texas Lottery Rule 401.302, Scratch Ticket Game Rules, these Game Procedures, and the requirements set out on the back of each Scratch Ticket. Each Scratch Ticket contains exactly 78 (seventy-eight) Play Symbols. A prize winner in the "MILLION DOLLAR LOTERIA" Scratch Ticket Game is determined once the latex on the Scratch Ticket is scratched off to expose Play Symbols as follows: PLAYBOARD 1 INSTRUCTIONS: 1) The player completely scratches the CALLER'S CARD area to reveal 27 symbols. 2) The player scratches ONLY the symbols on the PLAYBOARD that exactly match the symbols revealed on the CALLER'S CARD. 3) If the

player reveals a complete row, column or diagonal line, the player wins the prize for that line. PLAYBOARDS 2 INSTRUCTIONS: The player scratches ONLY the symbols on each PLAYBOARD that exactly match the symbols revealed on the CALLER'S CARD. If the player reveals all 4 symbols in a column, the player wins the PRIZE for that column. PLAY AREA 3 INSTRUCTIONS (BONUS GAMES): The player scratches ONLY the symbols on the BONUS GAMES that exactly match the symbols revealed on the CALLER'S CARD. If the player reveals 2 symbols in the same GAME, the player wins the PRIZE for that GAME. PLAY AREA 4 INSTRUCTIONS (BONUS): If the player reveals 2 matching symbols in the BONUS \$100, the player wins \$100. If the player reveals 2 matching symbols in the BONUS \$200, the player wins \$200. TABLA DE JUEGO 1: 1) El jugador raspa completamente la CARTA DEL GRITÓN para revelar 27 símbolos. 2) El jugador SOLAMENTE raspa los símbolos en la TABLA DE JUEGO que son exactamente iguales a los símbolos revelados en la CARTA DEL GRITÓN. 3) Si el jugador revela una línea completa horizontal, vertical o diagonal, el jugador gana el premio para esa línea. TABLAS DE JUEGO 2: El jugador SOLAMENTE raspa los símbolos en cada de las TABLAS DE JUEGO que son exactamente iguales a los símbolos revelados in la CARTA DEL GRITÓN. Si el jugador revela todos los 4 símbolos en una columna, el jugador gana el PREMIO para esa columna. ÁREA DE JUEGO 3 (JUEGOS DE BONO): El jugador SOLAMENTE raspa los símbolos en los JUEGOS DE BONO que son exactamente iguales a los símbolos revelados en la CARTA DEL GRITÓN. Si el jugador revela 2 símbolos en el mismo JUEGO, el jugador gana el PREMIO para ese JUEGO. ÁREA DE JUEGO 4 (BONO): Si el jugador revela 2 símbolos iguales en el área de BONO \$100, el jugador gana \$100. Si el jugador revela 2 símbolos iguales en el área de BONO \$200, el jugador gana \$200. No portion of the Display Printing nor any extraneous matter whatsoever shall be usable or playable as a part of the Scratch Ticket.

2.1 Scratch Ticket Validation Requirements.

A. To be a valid Scratch Ticket, all of the following requirements must be met:

- 1. Exactly 78 (seventy-eight) Play Symbols must appear under the Latex Overprint on the front portion of the Scratch Ticket;
- 2. Each of the Play Symbols must have a Play Symbol Caption underneath, unless specified, and each Play Symbol must agree with its Play Symbol Caption;
- 3. Each of the Play Symbols must be present in its entirety and be fully legible:

- 4. Each of the Play Symbols must be printed in black ink except for dual image games;
- 5. The Scratch Ticket shall be intact:
- 6. The Serial Number and Game-Pack-Ticket Number must be present in their entirety and be fully legible;
- 7. The Serial Number must correspond, using the Texas Lottery's codes, to the Play Symbols on the Scratch Ticket;
- 8. The Scratch Ticket must not have a hole punched through it, be mutilated, altered, unreadable, reconstituted or tampered with in any manner:
- 9. The Scratch Ticket must not be counterfeit in whole or in part;
- 10. The Scratch Ticket must have been issued by the Texas Lottery in an authorized manner;
- 11. The Scratch Ticket must not have been stolen, nor appear on any list of omitted Scratch Tickets or non-activated Scratch Tickets on file at the Texas Lottery;
- 12. The Play Symbols, Serial Number and Game-Pack-Ticket Number must be right side up and not reversed in any manner;
- 13. The Scratch Ticket must be complete and not miscut, and have exactly 78 (seventy-eight) Play Symbols under the Latex Overprint on the front portion of the Scratch Ticket, exactly one Serial Number and exactly one Game-Pack-Ticket Number on the Scratch Ticket;
- 14. The Serial Number of an apparent winning Scratch Ticket shall correspond with the Texas Lottery's Serial Numbers for winning Scratch Tickets, and a Scratch Ticket with that Serial Number shall not have been paid previously;
- 15. The Scratch Ticket must not be blank or partially blank, misregistered, defective or printed or produced in error;
- 16. Each of the 78 (seventy-eight) Play Symbols must be exactly one of those described in Section 1.2.C of these Game Procedures:
- 17. Each of the 78 (seventy-eight) Play Symbols on the Scratch Ticket must be printed in the Symbol font and must correspond precisely to the artwork on file at the Texas Lottery; the Scratch Ticket Serial Numbers must be printed in the Serial font and must correspond precisely to the artwork on file at the Texas Lottery; and the Game-Pack-Ticket Number must be printed in the Game-Pack-Ticket Number font and must correspond precisely to the artwork on file at the Texas Lottery;
- 18. The Display Printing on the Scratch Ticket must be regular in every respect and correspond precisely to the artwork on file at the Texas Lottery; and
- 19. The Scratch Ticket must have been received by the Texas Lottery by applicable deadlines.
- B. The Scratch Ticket must pass all additional validation tests provided for in these Game Procedures, the Texas Lottery's Rules governing the award of prizes of the amount to be validated, and any confidential validation and security tests of the Texas Lottery.
- C. Any Scratch Ticket not passing all of the validation requirements is void and ineligible for any prize and shall not be paid. However, the Executive Director may, solely at the Executive Director's discretion, refund the retail sales price of the Scratch Ticket. In the event a defective Scratch Ticket is purchased, the only responsibility or liability of the Texas Lottery shall be to replace the defective Scratch Ticket with another unplayed Scratch Ticket in that Scratch Ticket Game (or a Scratch Ticket of equivalent sales price from any other current Texas Lottery Scratch Ticket Game) or refund the retail sales price of the Scratch Ticket, solely at the Executive Director's discretion.

- 2.2 Programmed Game Parameters.
- A. GENERAL: A Ticket can win up to fourteen (14) times in accordance with the prize structure.
- B. GENERAL: Consecutive Non-Winning Tickets within a Pack will not have matching patterns, in the same order, of either Play Symbols or Prize Symbols.
- C. GENERAL: There will be no duplicate Play Symbols in the CALLER'S CARD/CARTA DEL GRITÓN play area.
- D. PLAYBOARD 1/TABLA DE JUEGO 1: At least eight (8) but no more than twelve (12) CALLER'S CARD/CARTA DEL GRITÓN Play Symbols will match a Play Symbol on the PLAYBOARD 1/TABLA DE JUEGO 1 play area.
- E. PLAYBOARD 1/TABLA DE JUEGO 1: No identical Play Symbols are allowed on the same PLAYBOARD 1/TABLA DE JUEGO 1 play area
- 2.3 Procedure for Claiming Prizes.
- A. To claim a "MILLION DOLLAR LOTERIA" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$20.00, \$30.00, \$40.00, \$50.00, \$100, \$150, \$200, \$250 or \$500, a claimant shall sign the back of the Scratch Ticket in the space designated on the Scratch Ticket and present the winning Scratch Ticket to any Texas Lottery Retailer. The Texas Lottery Retailer shall verify the claim and, if valid, and upon presentation of proper identification, if appropriate, make payment of the amount due the claimant and physically void the Scratch Ticket; provided that the Texas Lottery Retailer may, but is not required, to pay a \$30.00, \$40.00, \$50.00, \$100, \$150, \$200, \$250 or \$500 Scratch Ticket Game. In the event the Texas Lottery Retailer cannot verify the claim, the Texas Lottery Retailer shall provide the claimant with a claim form and instruct the claimant on how to file a claim with the Texas Lottery. If the claim is validated by the Texas Lottery, a check shall be forwarded to the claimant in the amount due. In the event the claim is not validated, the claim shall be denied and the claimant shall be notified promptly. A claimant may also claim any of the above prizes under the procedure described in Section 2.3.B and Section 2.3.C of these Game Procedures.
- B. To claim a "MILLION DOLLAR LOTERIA" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$1,000, \$5,000, \$20,000 or \$1,000,000, the claimant must sign the winning Scratch Ticket and present it at one of the Texas Lottery's Claim Centers. If the claim is validated by the Texas Lottery, payment will be made to the bearer of the validated winning Scratch Ticket for that prize upon presentation of proper identification. When paying a prize of \$600 or more, the Texas Lottery shall file the appropriate income reporting form with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and shall withhold federal income tax at a rate set by the IRS if required. In the event that the claim is not validated by the Texas Lottery, the claim shall be denied and the claimant shall be notified promptly.
- C. As an alternative method of claiming a "MILLION DOLLAR LOTERIA" Scratch Ticket Game prize the claimant may submit the signed winning Scratch Ticket and a thoroughly completed claim form via mail. If a prize value is \$1,000,000 or more, the claimant must also provide proof of Social Security number or Tax Payer Identification (for U.S. Citizens or Resident Aliens). Mail all to: Texas Lottery Commission, P.O. Box 16600, Austin, Texas 78761-6600. The Texas Lottery is not responsible for Scratch Tickets lost in the mail. In the event that the claim is not validated by the Texas Lottery, the claim shall be denied and the claimant shall be notified promptly.
- D. Prior to payment by the Texas Lottery of any prize, the Texas Lottery shall deduct the amount of a delinquent tax or other money from the winnings of a prize winner who has been finally determined to be:

- 1. delinquent in the payment of a tax or other money to a state agency and that delinquency is reported to the Comptroller under Government Code \$403.055;
- 2. in default on a loan made under Chapter 52, Education Code;
- 3. in default on a loan guaranteed under Chapter 57, Education Code; or
- 4. delinquent in child support payments in the amount determined by a court or a Title IV-D agency under Chapter 231, Family Code.
- E. If a person is indebted or owes delinquent taxes to the State, other than those specified in the preceding paragraph, the winnings of a person shall be withheld until the debt or taxes are paid.
- 2.4 Allowance for Delay of Payment. The Texas Lottery may delay payment of the prize pending a final determination by the Executive Director, under any of the following circumstances:
- A. if a dispute occurs, or it appears likely that a dispute may occur, regarding the prize;
- B. if there is any question regarding the identity of the claimant;
- C. if there is any question regarding the validity of the Scratch Ticket presented for payment; or
- D. if the claim is subject to any deduction from the payment otherwise due, as described in Section 2.3.D of these Game Procedures. No liability for interest for any delay shall accrue to the benefit of the claimant pending payment of the claim.
- 2.5 Payment of Prizes to Persons Under 18. If a person under the age of 18 years is entitled to a cash prize under \$600 from the "MILLION DOLLAR LOTERIA" Scratch Ticket Game, the Texas Lottery shall deliver to an adult member of the minor's family or the minor's guardian a check or warrant in the amount of the prize payable to the order of the minor.
- 2.6 If a person under the age of 18 years is entitled to a cash prize of \$600 or more from the "MILLION DOLLAR LOTERIA" Scratch Ticket Game, the Texas Lottery shall deposit the amount of the prize in a custodial bank account, with an adult member of the minor's family or the minor's guardian serving as custodian for the minor.

- 2.7 Scratch Ticket Claim Period. All Scratch Ticket prizes must be claimed within 180 days following the end of the Scratch Ticket Game or within the applicable time period for certain eligible military personnel as set forth in Texas Government Code §466.408. Any rights to a prize that is not claimed within that period, and in the manner specified in these Game Procedures and on the back of each Scratch Ticket, shall be forfeited.
- 2.8 Disclaimer. The number of prizes in a game is approximate based on the number of Scratch Tickets ordered. The number of actual prizes available in a game may vary based on number of Scratch Tickets manufactured, testing, distribution, sales and number of prizes claimed. A Scratch Ticket Game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed.
- 3.0 Scratch Ticket Ownership.
- A. Until such time as a signature is placed upon the back portion of a Scratch Ticket in the space designated, a Scratch Ticket shall be owned by the physical possessor of said Scratch Ticket. When a signature is placed on the back of the Scratch Ticket in the space designated, the player whose signature appears in that area shall be the owner of the Scratch Ticket and shall be entitled to any prize attributable thereto. Notwithstanding any name or names submitted on a claim form, the Executive Director shall make payment to the player whose signature appears on the back of the Scratch Ticket in the space designated. If more than one name appears on the back of the Scratch Ticket, the Executive Director will require that one of those players whose name appears thereon be designated by such players to receive payment.
- B. The Texas Lottery shall not be responsible for lost or stolen Scratch Tickets and shall not be required to pay on a lost or stolen Scratch Ticket.
- 4.0 Number and Value of Scratch Prizes. There will be approximately 25,200,000 Scratch Tickets in Scratch Ticket Game No. 2586. The approximate number and value of prizes in the game are as follows:

Figure 2: GAME NO. 2586 - 4.0

Prize Amount	Approximate Number of Winners*	Approximate Odds are 1 in **
\$20	3,024,000	8.33
\$30	1,764,000	14.29
\$40	504,000	50.00
\$50	1,008,000	25.00
\$100	902,160	27.93
\$150	201,600	125.00
\$200	181,440	138.89
\$250	65,520	384.62
\$500	11,760	2,142.86
\$1,000	2,520	10,000.00
\$5,000	336	75,000.00
\$20,000	42	600,000.00
\$1,000,000	10	2,520,000.00

<sup>\*</sup>The number of prizes in a game is approximate based on the number of tickets ordered.

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A. The actual number of Scratch Tickets in the game may be increased or decreased at the sole discretion of the Texas Lottery Commission.

5.0 End of the Scratch Ticket Game. The Executive Director may, at any time, announce a closing date (end date) for the Scratch Ticket Game No. 2586 without advance notice, at which point no further Scratch Tickets in that game may be sold. The determination of the closing date and reasons for closing will be made in accordance with the Scratch Ticket closing procedures and the Scratch Ticket Game Rules. See 16 TAC §401.302(j).

6.0 Governing Law. In purchasing a Scratch Ticket, the player agrees to comply with, and abide by, these Game Procedures for Scratch Ticket Game No. 2586, the State Lottery Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 466), applicable rules adopted by the Texas Lottery pursuant to the State Lottery Act and referenced in 16 TAC, Chapter 401, and all final decisions of the Executive Director.

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Bob Biard General Counsel Texas Lottery Commission Filed: February 26, 2024

# **Public Utility Commission of Texas**

Notice of Application to Adjust High Cost Support Under 16 TAC §26.407(h)

Notice is given to the public of an application filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (commission) on February 16, 2024, to adjust the high-cost support received from the Small and Rural Incumbent Local Exchange Company Universal Service Plan without effect to current rates.

Docket Title and Number: Application of Cap Rock Telephone Cooperative, Inc. to Adjust High Cost Support Under 16 TAC §26.407(h), Docket Number 56235.

actual prizes available in a game may vary based on number of tickets manufactured, testing, distribution, sales and number of prizes claimed.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The overall odds of winning a prize are 1 in 3.29. The individual odds of winning for a particular prize level may vary based on sales, distribution, testing, and number of prizes claimed.

Cap Rock Telephone Cooperative, Inc. requests a high-cost support adjustment increase of \$699,020 in annual high-cost support. According to Cap Rock Telephone, the requested adjustment complies with the cap of 140% of the annualized support the provider was authorized to receive in the 12 months ending February 1, 2024, as required by 16 Texas Administrative Code §26.407(g)(1).

Persons wishing to comment on the action sought should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas by mail at P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or by phone at (512) 936-7120 or toll free at (888) 782-8477 as a deadline to intervene may be imposed. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephone (TTY) may contact the commission through Relay Texas by dialing 7-1-1. All comments should reference Docket Number 56235.

TRD-202400810 Andrea Gonzalez Rules Coordinator

Public Utility Commission of Texas

Filed: February 23, 2024

# **Workforce Solutions Deep East Texas**

Request for Proposal #24-424 Lease Space for Workforce Solutions Deep East Texas Nacogdoches County Workforce Center in Nacogdoches, Texas

The Deep East Texas Local Workforce Development Board dba Workforce Solutions Deep East Texas Board (Board) is soliciting proposals for lease space for its Workforce Solutions Deep East Texas Nacog-

doches County Workforce Center (WFC) to be located in Nacogdoches, (Nacogdoches County), Texas. The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to solicit proposals to lease existing space, renovate existing space, and/or construct a facility that can be leased in whole or part to the Board.

Anyone interested in submitting a proposal should obtain a copy of the Request for Proposal (RFP) at www.detwork.org or request a copy of the RFP by emailing procurement@detwork.org.

Release Date: February 22, 2024

Bidders Conference: March 12, 2024, 9:00 a.m. (CST)

Deadline for Submission of Questions: March 22, 2024, 2:00 p.m.

(CST)

Proposal Due Date and Time: April 19, 2024, 4:00 p.m. (CST)

Projected Notice of Award Date: June 1, 2024

Proposals must be submitted via email to procurement@detwork.org.

Workforce Solutions Deep East Texas is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available, upon request, to individuals with disabilities.

TRD-202400779
Mark Durand
Executive Director
Workforce Solutions Deep East Texas

Filed: February 22, 2024