# IN\_\_\_\_\_\_ ADDITION

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.

# Office of the Attorney General

Texas Water Code and Texas Health and Safety Code Settlement Notice

The State of Texas gives notice of the following proposed resolution of an environmental enforcement action under the Texas Water Code and the Texas Health and Safety Code. Before the State may enter into a voluntary settlement agreement, pursuant to section 7.110 of the Texas Water Code, the State shall permit the public to comment in writing. The Attorney General will consider any written comments and may withdraw or withhold consent to the proposed agreement if the comments disclose facts or considerations indicating that consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the law.

Case Title and Court: City of Dallas and State of Texas v. Blue Star Recycling LLC; Almira Industrial and Trading Corp.; Chris Ganter; Laura Ganter; Jim McDonough; Keith Kruse; and Kevin C. Hassell; Cause No. DC-18-18651, in the 191st Judicial District, Dallas County, Texas.

Background: The State of Texas filed suit as Intervenor-Plaintiff in the referenced case in March 2020 to enforce the Texas Solid Waste Disposal Act, and rules promulgated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality relating to the unauthorized acceptance, storage, and disposal of solid waste at 9505 and 9527 S. Central Expressway, Dallas (the "Site"). Defendant Almira Industrial and Trading Corporation ("Almira") owns property at the Site. It has voluntarily cleaned up its portion of the Site after suit was filed. The proposed settlement is between the State of Texas and Almira only. Plaintiffs City of Dallas and the State will proceed with the remaining Defendants in the case.

Proposed Settlement: The State and Almira propose an Agreed Final Judgment that includes the payment of \$11,000 in civil penalties and \$5,000 in attorney's fees to the State.

For a complete description of the proposed settlement, the Agreed Final Judgment should be reviewed in its entirety. Requests for copies of the proposed judgment and settlement, and written comments on the same, should be directed to Phillip Ledbetter, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Texas Attorney General, P.O. Box 12548, MC-066, Austin, Texas 78711-2548, (512) 463-2012, facsimile (512) 320-0911, email: Phillip.Ledbetter@oag.texas.gov. Written comments must be received within 30 days of publication of this notice to be considered.

TRD-202401230 Justin Gordon General Counsel Office of the Attorney General Filed: March 20, 2024

# **Comptroller of Public Accounts**

Certification of the Average Closing Price of Gas and Oil - February 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 February 2024 is \$47.12 per barrel for the three-month period beginning on November 1, 2023, and ending January 31, 2024. Therefore, pursuant to Tax Code, §202.058, oil produced during the month of February 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 February 2024 is \$1.39 per mcf for the three-month period beginning on November 1, 2023, and ending January 31, 2024. Therefore, pursuant to Tax Code, §201.059, gas produced during the month of February 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 February 2024 is \$76.61 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 February 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 February 2024 is \$1.80 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 February 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 March 19, 2024.

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Jenny Burleson
Director, Tax Policy
Comptroller of Public Accounts
Filed: March 19, 2024

## Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner

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, §303.009, and §304.003 Texas Finance Code.

The weekly ceiling as prescribed by \$303.003 and \$303.009 for the period of 03/25/24 - 03/31/24 is 18.00% for consumer credit.

The weekly ceiling as prescribed by §303.003 and §303.009 for the period of 03/25/24 - 03/31/24 is 18.00% for commercial<sup>2</sup> credit.

The postjudgment interest rate as prescribed by  $\S304.003$  for the period of 04/01/24 - 04/30/24 is 8.50%.

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

TRD-202401237 Leslie L. Pettijohn Commissioner

Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner

Filed: March 20, 2024



# **Credit Union Department**

Application for a Merger or Consolidation

Notice is given that the following application has been filed with the Credit Union Department (Department) and is under consideration.

An application was received from Transtar Federal Credit Union (Houston) seeking approval to merge with MemberSource Credit Union (Houston), with the latter being the surviving credit union.

Comments or a request for a meeting by any interested party relating to an application must be submitted in writing within 30 days from the date of this publication. Any written comments must provide all the information that the interested party wishes the Department to consider in evaluating the application. All information received will be weighed during consideration of the merits of an application. Comments or a request for a meeting should be addressed to the Credit Union Department, 914 East Anderson Lane, Austin, Texas 78752-1699.

TRD-202401225 Michael S. Riepen Commissioner

Credit Union Department Filed: March 20, 2024



#### Application to Expand Field of Membership

Notice is given that the following application has been filed with the Credit Union Department (Department) and is under consideration.

An application was received from Community Service Credit Union, Huntsville, Texas, to expand its field of membership. The proposal would permit persons who reside, worship, attend school or work in and businesses and entities located in Montgomery County, Texas, to be eligible for membership in the credit union.

Comments or a request for a meeting by any interested party relating to an application must be submitted in writing within 30 days from the date of this publication. Credit unions that wish to comment on any application must also complete a Notice of Protest form. The form may be obtained by contacting the Department at (512) 837-9236 or downloading the form at http://www.cud.texas.gov/page/bylaw-charter-applications. Any written comments must provide all information that the interested party wishes the Department to consider in evaluating the application. All information received will be weighed during consideration of the merits of an application. Comments or a request for a meeting should be addressed to the Credit Union Department, 914 East Anderson Lane, Austin, Texas 78752-1699.

TRD-202401224

Michael S. Riepen Commissioner Credit Union Department

Filed: March 20, 2024



Notice of Final Action Taken

In accordance with the provisions of 7 TAC §91.103, the Credit Union Department provides notice of the final action taken on the following application:

Field of Membership - Approved

Members Choice Credit Union (Houston) - See *Texas Register* dated on January 26, 2024.

TRD-202401223 Michael S. Riepen Commissioner Credit Union Department Filed: March 20, 2024

# **Texas Commission on Environmental Quality**

Agreed Orders

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ 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 29, 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 29, 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: A.J. Brauer Stone, Incorporated; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0553-EAQ-E; IDENTIFIER: RN106619265; LOCATION: Jarrell, Williamson County; TYPE OF FACILITY: limestone quarry and stone fabrication; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §213.4(j) and Edwards Aquifer Protection Plan ID Number 11003429, Standard

- Conditions Number 6, by failing to obtain approval of a modification to an approved Water Pollution Abatement Plan prior to commencing a regulated activity over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone; PENALTY: \$2,375; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Mark Gamble, (512) 239-2587; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.
- (2) COMPANY: CAL'S CONVENIENCE, INCORPORATED dba Stripes 262 80014256; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0488-PST-E; IDENTIFIER: RN102021953; LOCATION: San Angelo, Tom Green County; TYPE OF FACILITY: convenience store with retail sales of gasoline; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §334.50(b)(1)(A) and TWC, §26.3475(c)(1), by failing to monitor the underground storage tanks for releases in a manner which will detect a release at a frequency of at least once every 30 days; PENALTY: \$3,750; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Celicia Garza, (512) 239-2095; REGIONAL OFFICE: 14250 Judson Road, San Antonio, Texas 78233-4480, (210) 492-3096.
- (3) COMPANY: Cape Carancahua Water Supply Corporation; DOCKET NUMBER: 2022-1713-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101245249; LOCATION: Palacios, Jackson County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §290.45(b)(1)(D)(ii) and Texas Health and Safety Code, §341.0315(c), by failing to provide a total storage capacity of 112 gallons per connection; PENALTY: \$1,350; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Claudia Bartley, (512) 239-1116; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.
- (4) COMPANY: City of Grandview; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0605-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101211357; LOCATION: Grandview, Johnson County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §290.46(q)(1)(A)(i), formerly 290.46(q)(2), by failing to institute special precautions as described in the flowchart found in 30 TAC §290.47(e) in the event of low distribution pressure and water outages; PENALTY: \$720; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Daphne Greene, (903) 535-5157; REGIONAL OFFICE: 2916 Teague Drive, Tyler, Texas 75701-3734, (903) 535-5100.
- (5) COMPANY: City of Pottsboro; DOCKET NUMBER: 2021-1605-MWD-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101920072; LOCATION: Pottsboro, Grayson 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 WQ0010591001, Interim Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements Number 1, by failing to comply with permitted effluent limitations; PENALTY: \$11,625; SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRON-MENTAL PROJECT OFFSET AMOUNT: \$9,300; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Kolby Farren, (512) 239-2098; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, (713) 767-3500.
- (6) COMPANY: CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2022-0820-MLM-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101264372; LOCATION: Lubbock, Lubbock County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §288.20(a) and §288.30(5)(B) and TWC, §11.1272(c), by failing to adopt a drought contingency plan which includes all elements for municipal use by a retail public supplier; 30 TAC §290.41(c)(1), by failing to locate groundwater sources so that there will be no danger of pollution from flooding or from unsanitary surroundings, such as privies, sewage, sewage treatment plants, livestock and animal pens, solid waste disposal sites or underground petroleum and chemical storage tanks and liquid transmission pipelines or abandoned and improperly sealed wells; 30 TAC §290.43(d)(2), by failing to provide the facility's pressure tank with a pressure release device and an easily readable pressure gauge; 30 TAC §290.45(b)(1)(C)(i) and Texas Health and Safety Code (THSC), §341.0315(c), by failing to provide

- a well capacity of 0.6 gallons per minute (gpm) per connection; 30 TAC §290.45(b)(1)(C)(ii) and THSC, §341.0315(c), by failing to provide a total storage capacity of 200 gallons per connection; 30 TAC §290.45(b)(1)(C)(iii) and THSC, §341.0315(c), by failing to provide two or more service pumps having a total capacity of 2.0 gpm per connection; 30 TAC §290.45(b)(1)(C)(iv) and THSC, §341.0315(c), by failing to provide an elevated storage capacity of 100 gallons per connection or a pressure tank capacity of 20 gallons per connection; and 30 TAC §290.46(u), by failing to plug an abandoned public water supply well with cement in accordance with 16 TAC Chapter 76 or submit test results proving that the well is in a non-deteriorated condition; PENALTY: \$37,250; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Samantha Salas, (512) 239-1543; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.
- (7) COMPANY: Eagles Peak Ranch Water Supply Corporation; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-1202-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN101437788; LOCATION: Fisher, Comal County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §290.106(f)(3)(C) and Texas Health and Safety Code, §341.0315(c), by failing to comply with the maximum contaminant level of four milligrams per liter for fluoride based on a running annual average; PENALTY: \$1,437; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Hannah Shakir, (512) 239-1142; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.
- (8) COMPANY: Gary Michael Null; DOCKET NUMBER: 2021-1259-WR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111322004; LOCATION: Mineola, Wood County; TYPE OF FACILITY: holistic health and wellness retreat; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §297.11 and TWC, §11.121, by failing to obtain authorization prior to diverting, storing, impounding, taking, or using state water; PENALTY: \$940; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Monica Larina, (361) 881-6965; REGIONAL OFFICE: 500 North Shoreline Boulevard, Suite 500, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401, (361) 881-6900.
- (9) COMPANY: IGH HOLDINGS LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2024-0045-WQ-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111835617; LOCATION: Godley, Johnson County; TYPE OF FACILITY: operator; RULE VIOLATED: 30 TAC §281.25(a)(4), by failing to obtain authorization to discharge stormwater associated with construction activities; PENALTY: \$875; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Margaux Liz-Marie Ordoveza, (512) 239-1128; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.
- (10) COMPANY: Johnny Ivie dba Kemo Sabe RV Park and Johnny Ivie, Trustee, Carol Ivie Revocable Trust dba Kemo Sabe RV Park; DOCKET NUMBER: 2022-0606-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN110873510; LOCATION: Lubbock, Lubbock County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §290.46(n)(1), by failing to maintain at the public water system accurate and up-to-date detailed as-built plans or record drawings and specifications for each treatment plant, pump station, and storage tank until the facility is decommissioned; 30 TAC §290.46(n)(3), by failing to keep on file copies of well completion data as defined in 30 TAC §290.41(c)(3)(A) for as long as the well remains in service; and 30 TAC §290.121(a) and (b), by failing to develop and maintain an up-to-date chemical and microbiological monitoring plan that identifies all sampling locations, describes the sampling frequency, and specifies the analytical procedures and laboratories that the facility will use to comply with the monitoring requirements; PENALTY: \$2,079; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Ilia Perez-Ramirez, (713) 767-3743; REGIONAL OFFICE: 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, (713) 767-3500.
- (11) COMPANY: LQC, INCORPORATED; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-1371-WQ-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111780193; LOCATION: Mag-

- nolia, Montgomery County; TYPE OF FACILITY: construction site; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §281.25(a)(4) and 40 Code of Federal Regulations §122.26, by failing to obtain authorization to discharge stormwater associated with construction activities; PENALTY: \$1,875; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Shane Glantz, (325) 698-6124; REGIONAL OFFICE: 1977 Industrial Boulevard, Abilene, Texas 79602-7833, (325) 698-9674.
- (12) COMPANY: Miramar Brands Incorporated dba 7-Eleven Store 27427; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0470-PST-E; IDENTIFIER: RN102049475; LOCATION: Dallas, Dallas County; TYPE OF FACILITY: convenience store with retail sales of gasoline; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §115.225 and Texas Health and Safety Code, §382.085(b), by failing to comply with annual Stage I vapor recovery testing requirements; and 30 TAC §334.50(b)(1)(B) and TWC, §26.3475(c)(1), by failing to monitor the underground storage tank in a manner which will detect a release at a frequency of at least once every 30 days by using interstitial monitoring for tanks installed on or after January 1, 2009; PENALTY: \$5,507; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Lauren Little, (817) 588-5888; REGIONAL OFFICE: 2309 Gravel Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76118-6951, (817) 588-5800.
- (13) COMPANY: NEWCOR VENTURES, INCORPORATED; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0879-WQ-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111744314; LOCATION: Montgomery, Montgomery County; TYPE OF FACILITY: construction site; RULES VIOLATED: 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: \$6,900; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Madison Stringer, (512) 239-1126; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.
- (14) COMPANY: NRG Texas Power LLC; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-1277-AIR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN100542927; LOCATION: Jewett, Limestone County; TYPE OF FACILITY: electric power generating plant; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §§101.20(3), 111.111(a)(1)(C), 116.115(c), and 122.143(4), New Source Review Permit Numbers 8576 and PSDTX371M5, Special Conditions Number 5, Federal Operating Permit Number O75, General Terms and Conditions and Special Terms and Conditions Number 9, and Texas Health and Safety Code, §382.085(b), by failing to prevent an excess opacity event; PENALTY: \$5,625; SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRON-MENTAL PROJECT OFFSET AMOUNT: \$2,250; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Krystina Sepulveda, (956) 430-6045; REGIONAL OFFICE: 1804 West Jefferson Avenue, Harlingen, Texas 78550-5247, (956) 425-6010.
- (15) COMPANY: Oliver and Thompson Companies, LLC dba Rangers RV; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0168-PWS-E; IDENTIFIER: RN109861591; LOCATION: Midland, Midland County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §290.106(f)(2) and Texas Health and Safety Code, §341.031(a), by failing to comply with the acute maximum contaminant level of ten milligrams per liter for nitrate; PENALTY: \$6,100; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Epifanio Villarreal, (361) 881-6991; REGIONAL OFFICE: 500 North Shoreline Boulevard, Suite 500, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401, (361) 881-6900.
- (16) COMPANY: PetroSwift, L.L.C.; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0990-WQ-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111629606; LOCATION: Kerrville, Kerr County; TYPE OF FACILITY: construction site; RULES VIOLATED: 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: \$5,625; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Harley Hobson, (512) 239-1337; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.

- (17) COMPANY: Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Incorporated; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0993-AIR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111329447; LOCATION: Garden City, Glasscock County; TYPE OF FACILITY: natural gas, oil, and water production site; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §116.115(c) and §116.615(2), Standard Permit Registration Number 166381, and Texas Health and Safety Code, §382.085(b), by failing to prevent unauthorized emissions; PENALTY: \$4,688; SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT OFFSET AMOUNT: \$1,875; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Matthew Perez, (325) 659-6707; REGIONAL OFFICE: 622 South Oakes, Suite K, San Angelo, Texas 76903-7035, (325) 655-9479.
- (18) COMPANY: Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Incorporated; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-1317-AIR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN111543385; LOCATION: Tarzan, Martin County; TYPE OF FACILITY: tank battery; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §116.115(c) and §116.615(2), Standard Permit Registration Number 169792, and Texas Health and Safety Code, §382.085(b), by failing to prevent unauthorized emissions; PENALTY: \$6,250; SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT OFFSET AMOUNT: \$2,500; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Matthew Perez, (325) 659-6707; REGIONAL OFFICE: 622 South Oakes, Suite K, San Angelo, Texas 76903-7035, (325) 655-9479.
- (19) COMPANY: Targa Midstream Services LLC; DOCKET NUM-BER: 2020-1162-AIR-E; IDENTIFIER: RN100222900; LOCATION: Mont Belvieu, Chambers County; TYPE OF FACILITY: natural gas processing plant; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §§101.20(3), 116.115(b)(2)(F) and (c), and 122.143(4), New Source Review (NSR) Permit Numbers 101616, PSDTX696M2, GHGPSDTX26M1, and N214M1, Special Conditions (SC) Number 1, Federal Operating Permit (FOP) Number O612, General Terms and Conditions (GTC) and Special Terms and Conditions (STC) Number 20, and Texas Health and Safety Code (THSC), §382.085(b), by failing to comply with the maximum allowable emissions rates; 30 TAC §§116.110(a), 116.116(a)(1), and 122.143(4), NSR Permit Number 5452, SC Number 1, FOP Number O612, GTC and STC Number 20, and THSC, §382.085(b), by failing to comply with the representations with regard to construction plans and operation procedures in a permit application; 30 TAC §§116.115(c), 116.615(2), and 122.143(4), Standard Permit Registration Number 119145, Air Quality Standard Permit for Boilers, General Requirements Number (4)(B)(ii), FOP Number O612, GTC and STC Number 20, and THSC, §382.085(b), by failing to comply with the emissions limit; 30 TAC §§116.115(c), 116.615(2), and 122.143(4), Standard Permit Registration Number 119145, Air Quality Standard Permit for Boilers, General Requirements Number (4)(B)(v), FOP Number O612, GTC and STC Number 20, and THSC, §382.085(b), by failing to comply with the concentration limit; 30 TAC §116.115(c) and §122.143(4), NSR Permit Number 56431, SC Number 1, FOP Number O612, GTC and STC Number 20, and THSC, §382.085(b), by failing to prevent unauthorized emissions; 30 TAC §116.615(2) and §122.143(4), Standard Permit Registration Number 110145, FOP Number O612, GTC and STC Number 20, and THSC, §382.085(b), by failing to comply with all representations with regard to construction plans, operating procedures, pollution control methods, and maximum emission rates in any registration for a standard permit; 30 TAC §117.8130(3) and §122.143(4), FOP Number O612, GTC and STC Number 1.A, and THSC, §382.085(b), by failing to conduct weekly sorbent or stain tube testing to measure ammonia; and 30 TAC §122.143(4) and §122.145(2)(A), FOP Number O612, GTC, and THSC, §382.085(b), by failing to report all instances of deviations; PENALTY: \$406,204; SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT OFFSET AMOUNT: \$162,482; ENFORCEMENT CO-ORDINATOR: Mackenzie Mehlmann, (512) 239-2572; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.

(20) COMPANY: Trinity Rural Water Supply Corporation; DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-0400-PWS-E: IDENTIFIER: RN101267383: LO-CATION: Trinity, Trinity County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water supply; RULES VIOLATED: 30 TAC §290.115(f)(1) and Texas Health and Safety Code, §341.0315(c), by failing to comply with the maximum contaminant level of 0.080 milligrams per liter for total trihalomethanes, based on the locational running annual average; PENALTY: \$2,800; ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR: Miles Caston, (512) 239-4593; REGIONAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-2545.

TRD-202401207 Gitanjali Yadav Deputy Director, Litigation Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: March 19, 2024

Combined Notice of Public Meeting and Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision for TPDES Permit for Municipal Wastewater New Permit No. WQ0016391001

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Wilco-Thrall 79 WWTP LLC, P.O. Box 9971, Austin, Texas 78766, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for new Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0016391001, to authorize the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at an annual average flow not to exceed 3,000,000 gallons per day. TCEQ received this application on August 11, 2023.

The facility will be located approximately 1.78 miles west of the intersection of South Bounds Street and U.S. Highway 79, in Williamson County, Texas 76578. The treated effluent will be discharged to an unnamed tributary, thence to Long Branch, thence to Soil Conservation Service Site (SCSS) 18 Reservoir, thence to Long Branch, thence to Brushy Creek in Segment No. 1244 of the Brazos River Basin. The unclassified receiving water uses are limited aquatic life use for the unnamed tributary, and high aquatic life use for SCSS Site 18 Reservoir. The designated uses for Segment No. 1244 are primary contact recreation, public water supply, aquifer protection, and high aquatic life use. 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 SCSS 18 Reservoir, 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. 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=-97.32281,30.588503&level=18

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. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Georgetown Public Library, 402 West 8th Street, Georgetown, Texas.

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 https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/wastewater/plain-lan-

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments about this application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting on this application because of the significant public interest.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. 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. During 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:

guage-summaries-and-public-notices.

Monday, April 29, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

The Venue Taylor

115 W. 2nd Street

Taylor, Texas 76574

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 one week prior to the meeting.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period; and

the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION.** The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/comment within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice or by the date of the public meeting, whichever is later.

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE.** For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid. Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/comment, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Any personal information you submit to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's record; this includes email addresses. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at (800) 687-4040 or visit their website at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al (800) 687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Wilco-Thrall 79 WWTP LLC, at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Michael

Bevilacqua, P.E., Senior Project Manager, Green Civil Design, at (737) 358-8103.

Issuance Date: March 15, 2024

TRD-202401231 Laurie Gharis Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: March 20, 2024



Notice and Comment Hearing Draft Permit No.: O1553

This is a notice for a notice and comment hearing on Federal Operating Permit Number O1553. 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: May 6, 2024

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Marriott SpringHill Suites

5169 I-10 East Baytown, Texas

Location phone: (281) 421-1200

**Application and Draft Permit.** Exxon Mobil Corporation, P.O. Box 100, Baytown, Texas 77522-0100, 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. O1553, Application No. 23071 to authorize operation of the Baytown Olefins Plant. The area addressed by the application is located at 3525 Decker Dr in Baytown, Harris County, Texas 77520-1646. This application was received by the TCEQ on June 26, 2015.

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 §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 Texas Administrative Code §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 Texas Administrative Code 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 Exxon Mobil Corporation by calling Santhosh Kapildev, BOP NSR Permitting & Title V Advisor at (254) 545-3949.

Notice Issuance Date: March 14, 2024

TRD-202401234 Laurie Gharis Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: March 20, 2024

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Notice of Application and Public Hearing for an Air Quality Standard Permit for a Concrete Batch Plant with Enhanced Controls Proposed Air Quality Registration Number 166500

APPLICATION. Cowboys Ready Mix LLC, 24015 I-10, Wallisville, Texas 77597-3032 has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an amendment of Air Quality Standard Permit for a Concrete Batch Plant with Enhanced Controls Registration Number 166500 to authorize the modification of an existing concrete batch plant facility located at 6740 Highway 146, Dayton, Liberty County, Texas 77535. This application is being processed in an expedited manner, as allowed by the commission's rules in 30 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 101, Subchapter J. AVISO

**DE IDIOMA ALTERNATIVO.** El aviso de idioma alternativo en español está disponible en https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/air/newsourcereview/airpermits-pendingpermit-apps. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. https://gisweb.tceq.texas.gov/Location-Mapper/?marker=-94.909316,29.981718&level=13. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on February 23, 2024. The primary function of this plant is to manufacture concrete by mixing materials including (but not limited to) sand, aggregate, cement and water. The executive director has determined the application was technically complete on March 15, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC HEARING. Public written comments about this application may be submitted at any time during the public comment period. The public comment period begins on the first date notice is published and extends to the close of the public hearing. Public comments may be submitted either in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record.

A public hearing has been scheduled, that will consist of two parts, an informal discussion period and a formal comment period. During the informal discussion period, the public is encouraged to ask questions of the applicant and TCEQ staff concerning the application, but comments made during the informal period will not be considered by the executive director before reaching a decision on the permit, and no formal response will be made to the informal comments. During the formal comment period, members of the public may state their comments into the official record. Written comments about this application may also be submitted at any time during the hearing. The purpose of a public hearing is to provide the opportunity to submit written comments or an oral statement about the application. The public hearing is not an evidentiary proceeding.

The Public Hearing is to be held:

Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**Dayton Senior Citizen Center** 

801 South Cleveland Street

Dayton, Texas 77535

**RESPONSE TO COMMENTS.** A written response to all formal comments will be prepared by the executive director after the comment period closes. The response, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and the response to comments will be posted in the permit file for viewing.

The executive director shall approve or deny the application not later than 35 days after the date of the public hearing, considering all comments received within the comment period, and base this decision on whether the application meets the requirements of the standard permit.

**CENTRAL/REGIONAL OFFICE.** The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office and the TCEQ Houston Regional Office, located at 5425 Polk St., Ste. H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, beginning the first day of publication of this notice.

INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Edu-

cation Program toll free at (800) 687-4040. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al (800) 687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Cowboy's Ready Mix, LLC, 24015 I-10, Wallisville, Texas 77597-3032, or by calling Mr. Josh Butler, Principal Consultant, Elm Creek Environmental, LLC, at (469) 946-8195.

Notice Issuance Date: March 18, 2024

TRD-202401235 Laurie Gharis Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: March 20, 2024

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Notice of Draft Federal Operating Permit and Notice and Comment Hearing Draft Permit No.: 04603

Application and Draft Permit. Western Refining Terminals, LLC, 212 N Clark Dr, El Paso, Texas 79905-3106, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an initial issuance of Federal Operating Permit (herein referred to as Permit) No. O4603, Application No. 36219, to authorize operation of the Western Refining Terminals, a Petroleum Refineries facility. The area addressed by the application is located at 6501 Trowbridge Dr. in El Paso, El Paso County, Texas 79905-3401. This application is being processed in an expedited manner, as allowed by the commission's rules in 30 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 101, Subchapter J. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to the application. You can find an electronic map of the facility at: https://gisweb.tceq.texas.gov/LocationMapper/?marker=-106.395277,31.7675&level=13. This application was received by the TCEQ on January 15, 2024.

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 §122.10 (30 Texas Administrative Code §122.10). The draft permit, if approved, will codify the conditions under which the area must operate. The permit will not authorize new construction. The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and has made a preliminary decision to prepare a draft permit for public comment and review. The executive director recommends issuance of this draft permit. The permit application, statement of basis, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building E, First Floor, Austin, Texas 78753; and the TCEQ El Paso Regional Office, 401 E Franklin Ave Ste. 560, El Paso, Texas 79901-1212, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The draft permit and statement of basis are available at the TCEO Website:

#### www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/tvnotice

At the TCEQ central and regional offices, relevant supporting materials for the draft permit, as well as the New Source Review permits which have been incorporated by reference, may be reviewed, and copied. Any person with difficulties obtaining these materials due to travel constraints may contact the TCEQ central office file room at (512) 239-2900.

Public Comment. Any person may submit written comments on the draft permit. Comments relating to the accuracy, completeness, and appropriateness of the permit conditions may result in changes to the draft permit. Written public comments should be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/ and be received by the conclusion of the notice and comment hearing. 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. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record.

**Notice and Comment Hearing.** The TCEQ has scheduled the notice and comment hearing regarding this application and draft permit as follows:

Date: May 14, 2024 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Riverside High School, Theater

301 Midway Drive El Paso, Texas 79915

Location phone: VJ Smith, (915) 775-3319

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 Texas Administrative Code §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.

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 public comments, a hearing request, 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 the applicable requirements or the requirements of 30 Texas Administrative Code 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 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. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al (800) 687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained for Western Refining Terminals, LLC by calling Ms. Rebecca Ayala, Advanced EHS Professional at (915) 526-6394.

Notice Issuance Date: March 13, 2024

TRD-202401232 Laurie Gharis Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: March 20, 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 29, 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 29, 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: U.S. National Park Service; DOCKET NUMBER: 2022-0142-PWS-E; TCEQ ID NUMBER: RN101607208; LOCATION: 20301 Park Road 22 near Corpus Christi, Kleberg County; TYPE OF FACILITY: public water system; RULES VI-OLATED: Texas Health and Safety Code, §341.0315 and 30 TAC §290.39(j)(1)(A), by failing to notify the commission prior to making any significant change or addition where the change in the existing distribution system results in an increase or decrease in production, treatment, storage, or pressure maintenance capacity; and 30 TAC §290.46(m)(6), by failing to maintain all pumps, motors, valves, and other mechanical devices in good working condition; PENALTY: \$690; STAFF ATTORNEY: Taylor Pack Ellis, Litigation, MC 175,

(512) 239-6860; REGIONAL OFFICE: Corpus Christi Regional Office, 500 North Shoreline Boulevard, Suite 500, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401-0318, (361) 881-6900.

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Gitanjali Yadav
Deputy Director, Litigation
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: March 19, 2024



### Notice of Water Quality Application

The following notice was issued on March 19, 2024:

The following notice does not require publication in a newspaper. Written comments or requests for a public meeting may be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, Mail Code 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin Texas 78711-3087 WITHIN (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE THIS NOTICE IS PUBLISHED IN THE TEXAS REGISTER.

#### INFORMATION SECTION

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has initiated a minor amendment of Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. WQ0004086000 (EPA I.D. TX0117757), held by Clean Harbors San Leon, Inc., which operates Clean Harbors San Leon, a recycling and storage facility that manages catalyst and oily wastes from the petroleum refining and petrochemical industries, to correct the scientific name of the mysid shrimp and to update ICIS codes for the inland silverside. The draft permit authorizes the discharge of stormwater associated with industrial activity and previously monitored effluent (treated process wastewater and treated contaminated stormwater from internal Outfalls 101 and 102) on an intermittent and flow-variable via Outfall 001 in both interim phase and final phase. The facility is located at 2700 Avenue South, in the City of San Leon, Galveston County, Texas 77539.

TRD-202401236

Laurie Gharis

Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: March 20, 2024

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

Notice Issued March 14, 2024

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 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 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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Laurie Gharis Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Filed: March 20, 2024

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# **Texas Health and Human Services Commission**

Public Hearing - Texas State Hospital Long-Range Planning Report Meetings - Updated 03/14/2024

HHSC will conduct the next hybrid (in-person and virtual) meeting on 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 one week prior to the April 16th 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 Tuesday, April 16, 2024 - 1:00 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.

#### **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 April 16th at https://forms.office.com/r/DL7fFaUi3t. The forms must be completed no later than 5:00 p.m. 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. 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. 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

#### **Email**

Terina.McIntyre01@hhs.texas.gov

#### Contact

If you have any questions, please contact Terina McIntyre at (512) 574-3218 or Terina.McIntyre01@hhs.texas.gov.

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# **Department of State Health Services**

Legislative Appropriations Request (LAR) Notice of Public Hearing on 2026-2027 Biennium LAR

Date/Time:

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

2:00 p.m.

#### Location:

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Robert D. Moreton Building

Public Hearing Room M-100, First Floor

1100 West 49th Street

Austin, Texas 78756

This public hearing will be webcast. Members of the public may attend the public hearing in person at the address above or access a live stream of the public hearing at https://texashhsmeetings.org/HHSWebcast. Select the tab for Moreton M-100 Live on the date and time for this public hearing. Please e-mail Webcasting@hhsc.state.tx.us if you have any problems with the webcasting function.

#### Agenda

- 1. Welcome and call to order
- 2. Agency overview
- 3. Budget overview: 2026-2027 Biennium
- 4. Public comment
- 5. Closing remarks
- 6. Adjourn

DSHS will conduct a public hearing to receive input on public health program funding for the 2026-2027 biennium Legislative Appropriations Request. DSHS is seeking your ideas and recommendations for funding public health programs such as disease and injury prevention, public health data, maternal and child wellness, emergency preparedness and response, vital statistics, and health-related consumer protection.

#### **Public Comment**

Stakeholder input is a critical element of this process. DSHS will accept public comments at the Austin location in person and virtually. To provide time to all persons wishing to speak, DSHS will observe a three-minute time limit per speaker. Please include the following in your comments:

- Your name or the name of your organization and a contact person.
- A clear, concise description of the recommendation.
- What need would be addressed by this recommendation and the expected impact or benefit to the state or the people we serve.

Members of the public who would like to provide public comments may register at this link https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L8W7NF7 and choose from the following options:

Oral comments provided virtually: Members of the public must preregister to provide oral comments virtually during the public hearing by completing a Public Comment Registration form at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L8W7NF7 no later than 5:00 p.m., Sunday, April 28, 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 public hearing with instructions for providing virtual public comment. Oral comments are 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 on whose behalf they are speaking (if anyone). If you pre-register to speak and wish to provide a handout before the public

hearing, please submit an electronic copy in accessible PDF format that will be distributed to the appropriate DSHS staff. Handouts are limited to two pages (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only). Handouts must be emailed to DSHSPublicHearings@dshs.texas.gov immediately after pre-registering, but no later than 5:00 p.m., Sunday, April 28, 2024, and 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 public hearing, but handouts will be provided to the appropriate DSHS staff.

Oral comments provided in-person at the public hearing location: Members of the public may provide oral public comments during the public hearing in person at the public hearing location by pre-registering online using the Public Comment Registration form at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L8W7NF7. Do not include health information or other confidential information in your comments or handouts.

Written comments: A member of the public who wishes to provide written public comments only must email the comments to DSHSPublicHearings@dshs.texas.gov no later than 5:00 p.m., Sunday, April 28, 2024. Please include your name and the organization you are representing or that you are commenting 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 public hearing, but comments will be provided to the appropriate DSHS staff.

Note: These procedures may be revised at the discretion of DSHS.

**Contact:** Questions regarding agenda items, content, or public hearing arrangements should be directed to:

Mail: Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Center for System Coordination and Innovation (CSCI)

P. O. Box 149347, Mail Code 1911, Austin, Texas 78714-9347

Or street address

1100 West 49th Street, Austin, Texas 78756

Fax: Attention: DSHS Public Hearing at (512) 776-7671

E-mail: DSHSPublicHearings@dshs.texas.gov

**Phone:** (512) 776-6206

This forum is open to the public. No reservations are required, and there is no cost to attend. People with disabilities who wish to attend the public hearing and require auxiliary aids or services should call (512) 776-6206 at least 72 hours before the public hearing so appropriate arrangements can be made.

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Department of State Health Services

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Order Placing Zuranolone into Schedule IV, Placing Nine Specific Fentanyl-Related Substances into Schedule I, and Temporarily Placing MDMB-4en-PINACA, 4F-MDMB-BUTICA, ADB-4en-PINACA, CUMYL-PEGACLONE, and 5F-EDMB-PICA, and MMB-FUBICA into Schedule I

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration issued an interim final rule placing zuranolone (chemically known as 1-[2-[(3R,5R,8R,9R,10S,13S,14S,17S)-3-hydroxy-3,13-dimethyl-2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,14,15,16,17-tetradecahydro-1*H*-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-17-yl]-2-oxoethyl]pyrazole-4-carbonitrile), including its salts, isomers, and salts of isomers whenever the existence of such salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible, in schedule IV of the Controlled Substances Act effective October 31, 2023. This final rule was published in the *Federal Register*, Volume 88, Number 209, pages 74347-74352.

This scheduling action was taken pursuant to the following:

- 1. Zuranolone has a potential for abuse similar to the drugs or other substances in schedule IV;
- 2. Zuranolone has a currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States; and,
- 3. Abuse of zuranolone may lead to limited physical dependence or psychological dependence relative to the drugs or other substances in schedule III but similar to other substances in schedule IV.
- The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration issued a final rule placing the following nine specific fentanyl-related substances, including their isomers, esters, ethers, salts, and salts of isomers, esters, and ethers whenever the existence of such isomers, esters, and salts is possible, in schedule I of the Controlled Substances Act effective December 7, 2023:
- meta-fluorofentanyl (N-(3-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)propionamide);
- meta-fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl (N-(3-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)isobutyramide);
- *para*-methoxyfuranyl fentanyl (*N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)-*N*-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)furan-2-carboxamide);
- 3-furanyl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-phenylfuran-3-carboxamide);
- 2',5'-dimethoxyfentanyl (*N*-(1-(2,5-dimethoxyphenethyl)piperidin-4-yl)-*N*-phenylpropionamide);
- isovaleryl fentanyl (3-methyl-*N*-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-*N*-phenylbutanamide);

- ortho-fluorofuranyl fentanyl (N-(2-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)furan-2-carboxamide);
- alpha'-methyl butyryl fentanyl (2-methyl-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylbutanamide); and
- para-methylcyclopropyl fentanyl (N-(4-methylphenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)cyclopropanecarboxamide).

This final rule was published in the *Federal Register*, Volume 88, Number 234, pages 85104-85109.

This scheduling action was taken pursuant to the following:

- 1. The abuse potential of *meta*-fluorofentanyl, *meta*-fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl, *para*-methoxyfuranyl fentanyl, 3-furanyl fentanyl, 2',5'-dimethoxyfentanyl, isovaleryl fentanyl, *ortho*-fluorofuranyl fentanyl, *alpha*'-methyl butyryl fentanyl, and *para*-methylcyclopropyl fentanyl is associated with each substance's pharmacological similarity to other schedule I and II mu-opioid receptor agonist substances which have a high potential for abuse. Similar to morphine (schedule II), fentanyl (schedule II), and several schedule I opioid substances that are structurally related to fentanyl, these nine fentanyl-related substances have been shown to bind and act as mu-opioid receptor agonists;
- 2. meta-Fluorofentanyl, meta-fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl, para-methoxyfuranyl fentanyl, 3-furanyl fentanyl, 2',5'-dimethoxyfentanyl, isovaleryl fentanyl, ortho-fluorofuranyl fentanyl, alpha'-methyl butyryl fentanyl, and para-methylcyclopropyl fentanyl, have no currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States; and
- 3. There is a lack of accepted safety for use of *meta*-fluorofentanyl, *meta*-fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl, para-methoxyfuranyl fentanyl, 3-furanyl fentanyl, 2',5'-dimethoxyfentanyl, isovaleryl fentanyl, *ortho*-fluorofuranyl fentanyl, *alpha'*-methyl butyryl fentanyl, and *para*-methylcyclopropyl fentanyl under medical supervision.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration issued temporary order placing MDMB-4en-PINACA, 4F-MDMB-BUTICA, ADB-4en-PINACA, CUMYL-PEGACLONE, 5F-EDMB-PICA, and MMB-FUBICA including their optical and geometric isomer, salts, and salts of isomers, whenever the existence of such isomers and salts is possible, in schedule I of the Controlled Substance Act effective December 12, 2023:

This temporary order was published in the *Federal Register*, Volume 88, Number 237, pages 86040-86046.

This scheduling action was taken pursuant to the following:

- 1. MDMB-4en-PINACA, 4F-MDMB-BUTICA, ADB-4en-PINACA, CUMYL-PEGACLONE, 5F-EDMB-PICA, and MMB-FUBICA pose an imminent hazard to the public safety;
- 2. MDMB-4en-PINACA, 4F-MDMB-BUTICA, ADB-4en-PINACA, CUMYL-PEGACLONE, 5F-EDMB-PICA, and MMB-FUBICA have a high potential for abuse;
- 3. MDMB-4en-PINACA, 4F-MDMB-BUTICA, ADB-4en-PINACA, CUMYL-PEGACLONE, 5F-EDMB-PICA, and MMB-FUBICA have no currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States; and
- 4. MDMB-4en-PINACA, 4F-MDMB-BUTICA, ADB-4en-PINACA, CUMYL-PEGACLONE, 5F-EDMB-PICA, and MMB-FUBICA have a lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision.

Pursuant to Section 481.034(g), as amended by the 75th legislature, of the Texas Controlled Substances Act, Health and Safety Code, Chapter 481, at least thirty-one days have expired since notice of the above referenced actions were published in the Federal Register. In the capacity as Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services, Jennifer Shuford, M.D., does hereby order that the substance zuranolone be placed into schedule IV, nine specific fentanyl-related substances be placed into schedule I, and MDMB-4en-PINACA, 4F-MDMB-BUTICA, ADB-4en-PINACA, CUMYL-PEGACLONE, 5F-EDMB-PICA, and MMB-FUBICA be temporarily placed into schedule I.

# -Schedule I opiates

The following opiates, including their isomers, esters, ethers, salts, and salts of isomers, esters, and ethers, unless specifically excepted, if the existence of these isomers, esters, ethers, and salts are possible within the specific chemical designation:

- (1) Acetyl- $\alpha$ -methylfentanyl (N-[1-(1-methyl-2-phenethyl)-4-piperidinyl]-N-phenylacetamide);
- (2) Acetylmethadol;
- (3) Acetyl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylacetamide);

- (4) Acryl fentanyl (*N*-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-*N*-phenylacrylamide) (Other name: acryloylfentanyl);
- (5) AH-7921 (3,4-dichloro-N-[1-(dimethylamino) cyclohexymethyl]benzamide);
- (6) Allylprodine;
- (7) Alphacetylmethadol (except levo-a-cetylmethadol, levo-a-acetylmethadol, levomethadyl acetate, or LAAM);
- \*(8) a'-Methyl butyryl fentanyl (2-methyl-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylbutanamide);
- (9) a-Methylfentanyl or any other derivative of fentanyl;
- (10)  $\alpha$ -Methylthiofentanyl (N-[1-methyl-2-(2-thienyl)ethyl-4-piperidinyl] N-phenylpropanamide);
- (11) Benzethidine;
- (12)  $\beta$ -Hydroxyfentanyl (N-[1-(2-hydroxy-2-phenethyl)-4-piperidinyl]-N-phenylpropanamide);
- (13)  $\beta$ -Hydroxy-3-methylfentanyl (N-[1-(2-hydroxy-2-phenethyl)-3-methyl-4-piperidinyl]-N-phenylpropanamide);
- (14)  $\beta$ -hydroxythiofentanyl (Other names: N-[1-[2-hydroxy-2-(thiophen-2-yl)ethyl]piperidin-4-yl]-N-phenylproprionamide; N-[1-[2-hydroxy-2-(2-thienyl)ethyl]-N-phenylpropanamide);
- (15)  $\beta$ -Methyl fentanyl (N-phenyl-N-(1-(2-phenylpropyl)piperidin-4-yl)propionamide);
- (16)  $\beta'$ -Phenyl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N,3-diphenylpropanamide) (Other name: 3-phenylpropanoyl fentanyl);
- (17) Betaprodine;
- (18) Brorphine (1-(1-(4-bromophenyl)ethyl)piperidin-4-yl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-benzo[d]imidazol-2-one);
- (19) Butyryl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylbutanamide);
- (20) Clonitazene;
- (21) Crotonyl fentanyl (Other name: (6-2-5) (E)-N-(1-Phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylbut-2-enamide);
- (22) Cyclopentyl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-
- Phenylcyclopentanecarboxamide;
- (23) Cyclopropyl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylcyclopropanecarboxamide);
- (24) Diampromide;
- (25) Diethylthiambutene;
- (26) Difenoxin;
- (27) Dimenoxadol;
- \*(28) 2',5'-Dimethoxyfentanyl (N-(1-(2,5-dimethoxyphenethyl)piperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylpropionamide);
- (29) Dimethylthiambutene;
- (30) Dioxaphetyl butyrate;
- (31) Dipipanone;
- (32) Ethylmethylthiambutene;
- (33) Etonitazene;

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(34) Etoxeridine;
(35) Fentanyl carbamate (ethyl (1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)(phenyl)carbamate);
(36) 4-Fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl (N-(4-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vI)isobutyramide) (Other name: p-fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl);
(37) 2'-Fluoro o-fluorofentanyl (N-(1-(2-fluorophenethyl)piperidin-4-yl)-N-(2-
fluorophenyl)propionamide (Other name: 2'-fluoro 2-fluorofentanyl);
(38) Furanyl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperdin-4-yl)-N-phenylfuran-2-
carboxamide):
*(39) 3-Furanyl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylfuran-3-
carboxamide):
(40) Furethidine;
(41) Hydroxypethidine;
(42) Isobutyryl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylisobutyramide:
(43) Isotonitazene (N,N-diethyl-2-(2-(4-isopropoxybenzyl)-5-nitro-1H-
benzimidazol-1-vl)ethan-1-amine):
*(44) Isovaleryl fentanyl (3-methyl-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-vl)-N-
phenylbutanamide);
(45) Ketobemidone;
(46) Levophenacylmorphan;
*(47) m-Fluorofentanyl (N-(3-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vI)propionamide):
*(48) m-Fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl (N-(3-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vl)isobutvramide)
(49) Meprodine:
(50) Methadol;
(51) Methoxyacetyl fentanyl (2-methoxy-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-
phenylacetamide);
(52) 4'-Methyl acetyl fentanyl (N-(1-(4-methylphenethyl)piperidin-4-yl)-N-
phenylacetamide:
(53) 3-Methylfentanyl (N-[3-methyl-1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidyl]-N-
phenylpropanamide);
(54) 3-Methylthiofentanyl (N-[3-methyl-1-(2-thienyl)ethyl-4-piperidinyl]-N-
phenylpropanamide);
(55) Metonitazene (N,N-diethyl-2-(2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-5-nitro-1H-benzimidazol-
1-yl)ethan-1-amine);
(56) Moramide;
(57) Morpheridine:
(58) MPPP (1-methyl-4-phenyl-4-propionoxypiperidine);
(59) MT-45 (1-cyclohexyl-4-(1,2-diphenylethyl)piperazine);
(60) Noracymethadol;
(61) Norlevorphanol;
(62) Normethadone;
(63) Norpipanone;
(64) Ocfentanil (N-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-methoxy-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vl)acetamide);
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(65) o-Fluoroacryl fentanyl (N-(2-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vl)acrvlamide):
(66) o-Fluorobutyryl fentanyl (N-(2-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vI)butvramide (Other name: 2-fluorobutvrvI fentanvI):
(67) o-Fluorofentanyl (N-(2-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vI)propionamide) (Other name: 2-fluorofentanyl):
*(68) o-Fluorofuranyl fentanyl (N-(2-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
yl)furan-2-carboxamide);
(69) o-Fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl (N-(2-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vl)isobutyramide);
(70) o-Methyl acetylfentanyl (N-(2-methylphenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
yl)acetamide (Other name: 2-methyl acetylfentanyl);
(71) o-Methyl methoxyacetyl fentanyl (2-methoxy-N-(2-methylphenyl)-N-(1-
phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)acetamide (Other name: 2-methyl methoxyacetyl
fentanvl):
(72) p-Chloroisobutyryl fentanyl (N-(4-chlorophenyl)-N-(1- phenethylpiperidin-4-
yl)isobutyramide:
(73) p-Fluorobutyryl fentanyl (N-(4-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vl)butvramide):
(74) p-Fluorofentanyl (N-(4-fluorophenyl)-N-[1-(2-phenethyl)-4 piperidinyl]
propanamide);
(75) p-Fluoro furanyl fentanyl (N-(4-fluorophenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vI)furan-2-carboxamide):
(76) p-Methoxybutyryl fentanyl (N-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
yl)butyramide;
*(77) p-Methoxyfuranyl fentanyl (N-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
vI)furan-2-carboxamide):
*(78) p-Methylcyclopropyl fentanyl (N-(4-methylphenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
yl)cyclopropanecarboxamide);
(79) p-Methylfentanyl (N-(4-methylphenyl)-N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-
yl)propionamide (Other name: 4-methylfentanyl);
(80) PEPAP (1-(2-phenethyl)-4-phenyl-4-acetoxypiperidine);
(81) Phenadoxone:
(82) Phenampromide;
(83) Phencyclidine;
(84) Phenomorphan:
(85) Phenoperidine;
(86) Phenyl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylbenzamide (Other
name: benzoyl fentanyl);
(87) Piritramide:
(88) Proheptazine;
(89) Properidine;
(90) Propiram:
(91) Tetrahydrofuranyl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-
phenyltetrahydrofuran-2-carboxamide);
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- (92) Thiofentanyl (N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-thienyl)ethyl-4-piperidinyl]-propanamide);
- (93) Thiofuranyl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylthiophene-2-carboxamide (Other names: 2-thiofuranyl fentanyl; thiophene fentanyl);
- (94) Tilidine;
- (95) Trimeperidine;
- (96) U-47700 (3,4-dichloro-N-[2-(dimethylamino)cyclohexyl]-N-methylbenzamide;
- (97) Valeryl fentanyl (N-(1-phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylpentanamide); and,
- (98) Zipeprol (1-methoxy-3-[4-(2-methoxy-2-phenylethyl)piperazin-1-yl]-1-phenylpropan-2-ol).

# -Schedule I temporarily listed substances subject to emergency scheduling by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration.

Unless specifically excepted or unless listed in another schedule, a material, compound, mixture, or preparation that contains any quantity of the following substances or that contains any of the substance's isomers, esters, ethers, salts and salts of isomers, esters, and ethers if the existence of the salts, esters, ethers isomers, and salts of isomers, esters, ethers is possible within the specific chemical designation:

## (1) Fentanyl-related substances.

(1-1) Fentanyl-related substance means any substance not otherwise listed under another Administration Controlled Substance Code Number, and for which no exemption or approval is in effect under Section 505 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act [21 U.S.C. 355], that is structurally related to fentanyl by one or more of the following modifications:

(1-1-1) Replacement of the phenyl portion of the phenethyl group by any monocycle, whether or not further substituted in or on the monocycle,

(1-1-2) Substitution in or on the phenethyl group with alkyl,

alkenyl, alkoxyl, hydroxyl, halo, haloalkyl, amino or nitro groups,

(1-1-3) Substitution in or on the piperidine ring with alkyl,

alkenyl, alkoxyl, ester, ether, hydroxyl, halo, haloalkyl, amino or nitro groups, (1-1-4) Replacement of the aniline ring with any aromatic

monocycle whether or not further substituted in or on the aromatic monocycle, and/or

(1-1-5) Replacement of the N-propionyl group by another acyl group.

(1-2) This definition includes, but is not limited to, the following substances:

(1-2-1) N-(1-(2-Fluorophenethyl)piperidin-4-

yl)-N-(2-fluorophenyl)propionamide (Other name: 2'-fluoro-o-fluorofentanyl); (1-2-2) N-(2-Methylphenyl)-N-(1-

phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)acetamide (Other name: o-methyl acetylfentanyl);

(1-2-3) N-(1-Phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N,3-diphenylpropanamide (Other names:  $\beta'$ -phenyl fentanyl; hydrocinnamoyl fentanyl); and,

- (1-2-4) *N*-(1-Phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-*N*-phenylthiophene-2-carboxamide (Other name: thiofuranyl fentanyl).
- (2) 2-(2-(4-Butoxybenzyl)-5-nitro-1H-benzimidazol-1-yl)-N,N-diethylethan-1-amine (Other name: butonitazene);
- (3) 2-(2-(4-Ethoxybenzyl)-1*H*-benzimidazol-1-yl)-*N*,*N*-diethylethan-1-amine (Other names: etodesnitazene; etazene);
- (4) *N*,*N*-Diethyl-2-(2-(4-fluorobenzyl)-5-nitro-1*H*-benzimidazol-1- yl)ethan-1-amine (Other name: flunitazene);
- (5) N,N-Diethyl-2-(2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-1H-benzimidazol-1-yl)ethan-1-amine (Other name: metodesnitazene);
- (6) 2-(4-Ethoxybenzyl)-5-nitro-1-(2-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)ethyl)-1*H*-benzimidazole (Other names: *N*-pyrrolidino etonitazene; etonitazepyne);
- (7) N,N-Diethyl-2-(5-nitro-2-(4-propoxybenzyl)-1H-benzimidazol-1-yl)ethan-1-amine (Other name: protonitazene);
- (8) 4-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-ethyl-9-methyl-6H-thieno[3,2-f][1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-a][1,4]diazepine (Other name: etizolam);
- (9) 8-chloro-6-(2-fluorophenyl)-1-methyl-4H-benzo[f][1,2,4]triazolo[4,3- $\alpha$ ][1,4]diazepine (Other name: flualprazolam);
- (10) 6-(2-chlorophenyl)-1-methyl-8-nitro-4H-benzo[f][1,2,4]triazolo[4,3- $\alpha$ ][1,4]diazepine (Other name: clonazolam);
- (11) 8-bromo-6-(2-fluorophenyl)-1-methyl-4H-benzo[f][1,2,4]triazolo[4,3- $\alpha$ ][1,4]diazepine (Other names: 8-bromo-6-(2-fluorophenyl)-1-methyl-4H-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3- $\alpha$ ][1,4]benzodiazepine and flubromazolam);
  - (12) 7-chloro-5-(2-chlorophenyl)-1-methyl-1,3-dihydro-2*H*-
- benzo[e][1,4]diazepin-2-one (Other name: diclazepam);
- \*(13) Methyl 3,3-dimethyl-2-(1-(pent-4-en-1-yl)-1*H*-indazole-3-carboxamido)butanoate (Other name: MDMB-4en-PINACA)
- \*(14) Methyl 2-[[1-(4-fluorobutyl)indole-3-carbonyl]amino]-3,3-dimethyl-butanoate (Other names: 4F-MDMB-BUTICA; 4F-MDMB-BICA)
- \*(15) N-(1-Amino-3,3-dimethyl-1-oxobutan-2-yl)-1-(pent-4-en-1-yl)-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide (Other name: ADB-4en-PINACA)
- \*(16) 5-Pentyl-2-(2-phenylpropan-2-yl)pyrido[4,3-b]indol-1-one (Other names: CUMYL-PEGACLONE; SGT-151)
- \*(17) Ethyl 2-[[1-(5-fluoropentyl)indole-3-carbonyl]amino]-3,3-dimethylbutanoate (Other names: 5F-EDMB-PICA; 5F-EDMB-2201)
- \*(18) Methyl 2-(1-(4-fluorobenzyl)-1*H*-indole-3-carboxamido)-3-methyl butanoate (Other name: MMB-FUBICA)

# -Schedule IV depressants

Except as provided by the Texas Controlled Substances Act, Health and Safety Code, Section 481.033, a material, compound, mixture, or preparation that contains any quantity of the following substances or any of the substance's salts, isomers, and salts of isomers if the existence of the salts, isomers, and salts of

isomers is possible within the specific chemical designation having a potential for abuse associated with a depressant effect on the central nervous system:

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(1) Alfaxalone (5a-pregnan-3a-ol-11,20-dione);
      (2) Alprazolam;
      (3) Barbital;
      (4) Brexanolone (3a-hydroxy-5a-pregnan-20-one) (Other name:
allopregnanolone);
      (5) Bromazepam;
      (6) Camazepam:
      (7) Chloral betaine;
      (8) Chloral hydrate;
      (9) Chlordiazepoxide;
      (10) Clobazam;
      (11) Clonazepam;
      (12) Clorazepate:
      (13) Clotiazepam;
      (14) Cloxazolam;
      (15) Daridorexant;
      (16) Delorazepam;
      (17) Diazepam;
      (18) Dichloralphenazone;
      (19) Estazolam;
      (20) Ethchlorvynol;
      (21) Ethinamate;
      (22) Ethyl loflazepate;
      (23) Fludiazepam;
      (24) Flunitrazepam;
      (25) Flurazepam;
      (26) Fospropofol;
      (27) Halazepam:
      (28) Haloxazolam;
      (29) Ketazolam;
      (30) Lemborexant;
      (31) Loprazolam;
      (32) Lorazepam;
      (33) Lormetazepam;
      (34) Mebutamate;
      (35) Medazepam;
      (36) Meprobamate;
      (37) Methohexital;
      (38) Methylphenobarbital (Other name: mephobarbital);
      (39) Midazolam:
      (40) Nimetazepam;
      (41) Nitrazepam;
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- (42) Nordiazepam;
- (43) Oxazepam;
- (44) Oxazolam;
- (45) Paraldehyde;
- (46) Petrichloral;
- (47) Phenobarbital;
- (48) Pinazepam;
- (49) Prazepam;
- (50) Quazepam;
- (51) Remimazolam;
- (52) Suvorexant;
- (53) Temazepam;
- (54) Tetrazepam;
- (55) Triazolam;
- (56) Zaleplon;
- (57) Zolpidem;
- (58) Zopiclone; and
- \*(59) Zuranolone.

# Changes are marked by an asterisk(\*)

TRD-202401216 Cynthia Hernandez General Counsel

Department of State Health Services

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# Texas Department of Housing and Community

Notice of Public Hearings and Public Comment Period on the Draft 2024 State of Texas Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) will hold four public hearings during a 31-day Public Comment period to accept public comment on the draft 2024 State of Texas Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI). The Public Comment period for the draft AI will be held Wednesday, April 3, 2024 - Friday, May 3, 2024.

The public hearings for the 2024 AI are scheduled to take place as follows:

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 - 6:30 p.m.

Carver Branch, Austin Public Library

Room #1

1161 Angelina Street

Austin, Texas 78702

Thursday, April 18, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.

Via GoToWebinar

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1281746222460736607

Dial-in number: +1 (562) 247-8422, Access Code 583-444-377 (persons who use the dial-in number and access code without registering online will only be able to hear the public hearing and will not be able to ask questions or provide comments. Staff recommend that attendees without computer access use the GoToWebinar phone app in order to participate fully.)

Tuesday, April 23, 2024 - 12:30 p.m.

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Father Armand Matthew Meeting Room

901 E Levee Street

Brownsville, Texas 78520

Thursday, April 25, 2024 - 11:00 a.m.

J. Erik Jonsson Central Library

1st Floor Auditorium

1515 Young Street

Dallas, Texas 75201

The State of Texas is releasing for public comment the 2024 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) planning document, which guides the state's affordable housing strategy for the next five years. This is a process required of recipients of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Planning and Development grant funds as part of their obligation to undertake affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH) under the Fair Housing Act. The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) is the agency in Texas that is primarily responsible for creating the AI.

The Plan may be accessed from TDHCA's Public Comment Web page at: https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/tdhca-public-comment-center. The public comment period for the AI will be open from Wednesday, April 3, 2024, through Friday, May 3, 2024. Anyone may submit comments on the AI in written form or oral testimony at the public hearings. In addition, written comments concerning the AI may be submitted in the following ways:

1. by mail to: The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Housing Resource Center, P.O. Box 13941, Austin, Texas 78711-

#### 2. by email to: fair.housing@tdhca.texas.gov

Comments may be submitted at any time during the comment period. Comments must be received no later than Friday, May 3, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Central Standard Time.

Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services at public hearings should contact Elizabeth Yevich, at (512) 463-7961 or Relay Texas at 1-800-735-2989 at least three (3) days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Non-English speaking individuals who require interpreters at the public hearing should contact Danielle Leath by phone at (512) 475-4606 or by email at danielle.leath@tdhca.texas.gov at least three (3) days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Personas que hablan español y requieren un intérprete, favor de llamar a Danielle Leath al siguiente número (512) 475-4606 o enviarle un correo electrónico a danielle.leath@tdhca.texas.gov por lo menos tres días antes de la junta para hacer los preparativos apropiados.

TRD-202401229 Bobby Wilkinson **Executive Director** 

Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs

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Texas Housing Trust Fund Fiscal Year 2024 Amy Young Barrier Removal Program Notice of Funding Availability

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (the Department) announces a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) of approximately \$1,466,618.40 for the 2024 Amy Young Barrier Removal (AYBR) Program funded through the Texas Housing Trust Fund (Texas HTF). The funds include \$1,333,289.45 in Project Costs, and \$133,328.95 in Administrative funds. The funds will be made available to AYBR Reservation System Participants, with a current Reservation Agreement that includes the 2024 set-aside. Applications for a Reservation Agreement are accepted on an ongoing basis. Eligible Applicants include Units of General Local Government, Nonprofit Organizations, Public Housing Authorities, Local Mental Health Authorities, and Councils of Government.

Funds will be made available beginning April 2, 2024, in accordance with the NOFA. From time to time, additional funding may be made available under the NOFA through transfer of prior year balances, deobligated funds, and Program Income. Amendments will be published on the TDHCA website.

The AYBR Program provides one-time grants of up to \$22,500 to Persons with Disabilities in a Household qualified as Low-Income. Grants are for home modifications that increase accessibility and eliminate life-threatening hazards, and correct substandard conditions. Specific program guidelines can be found at 10 TAC Chapter 26, Texas Housing Trust Fund Rule, Subchapter B, Amy Young Barrier Removal Program.

The NOFA is available on the Department's website at https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/notices-funding-availability-nofas. Ouestions regarding the 2024 Amy Young Barrier Removal Program NOFA may be addressed to the Single Family and Homeless Programs Division via email at HTF@tdhca.texas.gov.

TRD-202401181 Bobby Wilkinson **Executive Director** 

Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs

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Texas Housing Trust Fund Fiscal Year 2024 Texas Bootstrap Loan Program Notice of Funding Availability

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (the Department) announces the availability of approximately \$2,983,757.40 in funding for the 2024 Texas Bootstrap Loan (Bootstrap) Program funded through the Texas Housing Trust Fund (Texas HTF). The funds include \$2,712,506.73 in Project Costs, and \$271,250.67 in Administrative funds. The funds will be made available to Bootstrap Reservation System Participants, with a current Loan Origination and Reservation System Access Agreement (Reservation Agreement) that includes the 2024 set-aside. Applications for a Reservation Agreement are accepted on an ongoing basis. Eligible Applicants include Nonprofit Organizations and Colonia Self-Help Centers.

Funds will be made available beginning April 2, 2024, in accordance with the NOFA. From time to time, additional funding may be made available under the NOFA through transfer of prior year balances, deobligated funds, and Program Income. Amendments will be published on the TDHCA website.

The Bootstrap Program provides mortgage loans up to \$45,000 to qualified as Low-Income Owner-Builders. Specific program guidelines, including all eligible activities, can be found at 10 TAC Chapter 24, Texas Bootstrap Loan Program Rule.

Information is available on the Department's web site at https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/notices-funding-availability-nofas. Questions regarding the 2024 Texas Bootstrap Loan Program NOFA may be addressed to the Single Family and Homeless Programs Division via email at Bootstrap@tdhca.texas.gov.

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**Executive Director** 

Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs

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# **Texas Department of Insurance**

Notice of Rate Filing - Texas Automobile Insurance Plan Association

Docket No. 2845

On March 12, 2024, the Texas Automobile Insurance Plan Association (TAIPA) filed a request to charge new insurance rates for private passenger auto and commercial auto coverage. The filed rates represent a 15.1% increase in private passenger automobile rates and a 12.7% increase in commercial automobile rates. TAIPA proposed an effective date of September 1, 2024, for new and renewal business.

The commissioner of insurance will review the filing to determine whether TAIPA's proposed rates are just, reasonable, adequate, not excessive, not confiscatory, and not unfairly discriminatory for the risks covered, as required by Insurance Code §2151.201. TAIPA's proposed rates must also be sufficient to carry all claims to maturity and meet the expenses incurred in writing and servicing the business.

TAIPA's average proposed rate changes by coverage exceed 5%, so a hearing will be held, as required by Insurance Code §2151.2041.

The commissioner of insurance will hold a public hearing to consider the rates TAIPA filed with the Texas Department of Insurance. The hearing will be held at 1:00 p.m., central time, on April 16, 2024, in Room 2.029 of the Barbara Jordan State Office Building, 1601 Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701.

#### To Review, Request Copies, and Comment:

To review or get copies of TAIPA's rate filing:

- Online: Go to www.tdi.texas.gov/rules/2024/exrules.html.
- In person: You can review the filing at the Texas Department of Insurance, Office of the Chief Clerk, 1601 Congress Ave, Austin, Texas 78701. To schedule a time to review the materials in person, please email ChiefClerk@tdi.texas.gov.
- **By mail:** Write to the Texas Department of Insurance, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC: GC-CCO, P.O. Box 12030, Austin, Texas 78711-2030.
- To comment on the rate filing, send written comments 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. Hand-delivered comments must be directed to the Texas Department of Insurance, Office of the Chief Clerk, 1601 Congress Ave, Austin, Texas 78701, and can be delivered during regular business hours. Your comments must be received by 5:00 p.m., central time, on April 16, 2024.

TRD-202401212 Jessica Barta General Counsel

Texas Department of Insurance

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# Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation

Correction of Error

The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation adopted amendments to 28 TAC §§133.10, 133.20, 133.200, and 133.502 in the March 8, 2024, issue of the *Texas Register* (49 TexReg 1478). Due to an error by the Texas Register, the incorrect effective date was published for the adoption. The correct effective date for the adoption is June 1, 2024.

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# **♦ ♦ Texas Lottery Commission**

Correction of Error

The Texas Lottery Commission published the game procedure for Scratch Ticket Game Number 2562 "\$100,000 MONEY MANIA" in

the March 15, 2024, issue of the *Texas Register* (49 TexReg 1785). Due to an error by the Texas Register, the text for Section 2.0, Determination of Prize Winners, was published incorrectly. The correct text is as follows:

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 "\$100,000 MONEY MANIA" Scratch Ticket Game is determined once the latex on the Scratch Ticket is scratched off to expose sixty-one (61) Play Symbols. BONUS PLAY INSTRUCTIONS: If a player reveals 2 matching prize amounts in the same BONUS, the player wins that amount. \$100,000 MONEY MA-NIA PLAY INSTRUCTIONS: If a player matches any of the YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols to any of the WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbols, the player wins the prize for that number. If a player reveals a "SAFE" Play Symbol, the player wins the prize for that symbol instantly. If a player reveals a "5X" Play Symbol, the player wins 5 TIMES the prize for that symbol. If a player reveals a "10X" Play Symbol, the player wins 10 TIMES the prize for that symbol. No portion of the Display Printing nor any extraneous matter whatsoever shall be usable or playable as a part of the Scratch Ticket.

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Scratch Ticket Game Number 2564 "HIT \$5,000"

1.0 Name and Style of Scratch Ticket Game.

A. The name of Scratch Ticket Game No. 2564 is "HIT \$5,000". The play style is "key number match".

- 1.1 Price of Scratch Ticket Game.
- A. Tickets for Scratch Ticket Game No. 2564 shall be \$1.00 per Scratch Ticket.
- 1.2 Definitions in Scratch Ticket Game No. 2564.
- 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: 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, HIT SYMBOL, \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$50.00, \$100 and \$5,000.
- 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. 2564 - 1.2D

| PLAY SYMBOL | CAPTION |
|-------------|---------|
| 01          | ONE     |
| 02          | TWO     |
| 03          | THR     |
| 04          | FOR     |
| 05          | FIV     |
| 06          | SIX     |
| 07          | SVN     |
| 08          | EGT     |
| 09          | NIN     |
| 10          | TEN     |
| 11          | ELV     |
| 12          | TLV     |
| 13          | TRN     |
| 14          | FTN     |
| 15          | FFN     |
| 16          | SXN     |
| 17          | SVT     |
| 18          | ETN     |
| 19          | NTN     |
| 20          | TWY     |
| 21          | TWON    |
| 22          | ТШТО    |
| 23          | TWTH    |
| 24          | TWFR    |
| 25          | TWFV    |
| 26          | TWSX    |
| 27          | TWSV    |

| 28         | TWET   |
|------------|--------|
| 29         | TWNI   |
| 30         | TRTY   |
| HIT SYMBOL | WIN\$  |
| \$1.00     | ONE\$  |
| \$2.00     | TWO\$  |
| \$3.00     | THR\$  |
| \$5.00     | FIV\$  |
| \$10.00    | TEN\$  |
| \$20.00    | TWY\$  |
| \$50.00    | FFTY\$ |
| \$100      | ONHN   |
| \$5,000    | FVTH   |

- 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: 00000000000000.
- 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 (2564), a seven (7) digit Pack number, and a three (3) digit Ticket number. Ticket numbers start with 001 and end with 150 within each Pack. The format will be: 2564-000001-001.
- H. Pack A Pack of "HIT \$5,000" Scratch Ticket Game contains 150 Scratch Tickets, packed in plastic shrink-wrapping and fanfolded in pages of five (5). Ticket 001 to 005 will be on the top page; Tickets 006 to 010 on the next page etc.; and Tickets 146 to 150 will be on the last page. All Packs will be tightly shrink-wrapped. There will be no breaks between the Tickets in a Pack.
- I. Non-Winning 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 A Texas Lottery "HIT \$5,000" Scratch Ticket Game No. 2564.
- 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 "HIT \$5,000" Scratch Ticket Game is determined once the latex on the Scratch Ticket is scratched off to expose eleven (11) Play Symbols. If a player matches any of the YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols to the WINNING NUMBER Play Symbol, the player wins the prize for that number. If the player reveals a "HIT" Play Symbol, the player wins the prize for that symbol instantly! 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 eleven (11) 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 eleven (11) 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 eleven (11) Play Symbols must be exactly one of those described in Section 1.2.C of these Game Procedures;
- 17. Each of the eleven (11) 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. Consecutive non-winning Tickets within a Pack will not have matching patterns, in the same order, of either Play Symbols or Prize Symbols.
- B. A Ticket can win as indicated by the prize structure.
- C. A Ticket can win up to five (5) times.

- D. On winning and non-winning Tickets, the top cash prize of \$5,000 will appear at least once, except on Tickets winning five (5) times, with respect to other parameters, play action or prize structure.
- E. No matching non-winning YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols will appear on a Ticket.
- F. Non-winning Prize Symbols will not match a winning Prize Symbol on a Ticket.
- G. All YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols will never equal the corresponding Prize Symbol (i.e., 01 and \$1, 02 and \$2, 03 and \$3, 05 and \$5, 10 and \$10 and 20 and \$20).
- H. On all Tickets, a Prize Symbol will not appear more than one (1) time, except as required by the prize structure to create multiple wins.
- I. On non-winning Tickets, the WINNING NUMBER Play Symbol will never match a YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- J. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will win the prize for that Play Symbol.
- K. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- L. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear on a non-winning Ticket.
- M. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear as the WIN-NING NUMBER Play Symbol.
- N. On Tickets winning with the "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol, the YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols will not match the WINNING NUMBER Play Symbol.
- 2.3 Procedure for Claiming Prizes.
- A. To claim a "HIT \$5,000" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$50.00 or \$100, 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 \$50.00 or \$100 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 "HIT \$5,000" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$5,000, 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 "HIT \$5,000" 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.
- F. If a person is indebted or owes delinquent taxes to the State, and is selected as a winner in a promotional second-chance drawing, the debt to the State must be paid within 14 days of notification or the prize will be awarded to an Alternate.
- 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:
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- 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 "HIT \$5,000" 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 "HIT \$5,000" 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 Game 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.
- 2.9 Promotional Second-Chance Drawings. Any Non-Winning "HIT \$5,000" Scratch Ticket may be entered into one (1) of five (5) promotional drawings for a chance to win a promotional second-chance drawing prize. See instructions on the back of the Scratch Ticket for information on eligibility and entry requirements.
- 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 Ticket Prizes. There will be approximately 12,960,000 Scratch Tickets in the Scratch Ticket Game No. 2564. The approximate number and value of prizes in the game are as follows:

Figure 2: GAME NO. 2564 - 4.0

| Prize Amount | Approximate Number of Winners* | Approximate Odds are 1 in ** |
|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| \$1.00       | 1,036,800                      | 12.50                        |
| \$2.00       | 820,800                        | 15.79                        |
| \$3.00       | 288,000                        | 45.00                        |
| \$5.00       | 475,200                        | 27.27                        |
| \$10.00      | 72,000                         | 180.00                       |
| \$20.00      | 28,800                         | 450.00                       |
| \$50.00      | 2,340                          | 5,538.46                     |
| \$100        | 1,800                          | 7,200.00                     |
| \$5,000      | 15                             | 864,000.00                   |

<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 Game No. 2564 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 Game 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. 2564, 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: March 19, 2024

Scratch Ticket Game Number 2565 "HIT \$200,000"

1.0 Name and Style of Scratch Ticket Game.

A. The name of Scratch Ticket Game No. 2565 is "HIT \$200,000". The play style is "key number match".

1.1 Price of Scratch Ticket Game.

A. Tickets for Scratch Ticket Game No. 2565 shall be \$5.00 per Scratch Ticket.

1.2 Definitions in Scratch Ticket Game No. 2565.

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: 01, 03, 04, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, HIT SYMBOL, 2X SYMBOL, 5X SYMBOL, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$15.00, \$25.00, \$50.00, \$100, \$200, \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$200,000.

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

<sup>\*\*</sup>The overall odds of winning a prize are 1 in 4.75. The individual odds of winning for a particular prize level may vary based on sales, distribution, testing, and number of prizes claimed.

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Figure 1: GAME NO. 2565 - 1.2D

| PLAY SYMBOL | CAPTION |
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| 01          | ONE     |
| 03          | THR     |
| 04          | FOR     |
| 06          | SIX     |
| 07          | SVN     |
| 08          | EGT     |
| 09          | NIN     |
| 10          | TEN     |
| 11          | ELV     |
| 12          | TLV     |
| 13          | TRN     |
| 14          | FTN     |
| 15          | FFN     |
| 16          | SXN     |
| 17          | SVT     |
| 18          | ETN     |
| 19          | NTN     |
| 20          | TWY     |
| 21          | TWON    |
| 22          | тwто    |
| 23          | TWTH    |
| 24          | TWFR    |
| 25          | TWFV    |
| 26          | TWSX    |
| 27          | TWSV    |
| 28          | TWET    |
| 29          | TWNI    |
| 30          | TRTY    |
| 31          | TRON    |

| 32         | TRTO   |
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| 33         | TRTH   |
| 34         | TRFR   |
| 35         | TRFV   |
| 36         | TRSX   |
| 37         | TRSV   |
| 38         | TRET   |
| 39         | TRNI   |
| 40         | FRTY   |
| 41         | FRON   |
| 42         | FRTO   |
| 43         | FRTH   |
| 44         | FRFR   |
| 45         | FRFV   |
| 46         | FRSX   |
| 47         | FRSV   |
| 48         | FRET   |
| 49         | FRNI   |
| HIT SYMBOL | WIN\$  |
| 2X SYMBOL  | DBL    |
| 5X SYMBOL  | WINX5  |
| \$5.00     | FIV\$  |
| \$10.00    | TEN\$  |
| \$15.00    | FFN\$  |
| \$25.00    | TWFV\$ |
| \$50.00    | FFTY\$ |
| \$100      | ONHN   |
| \$200      | TOHN   |
| \$1,000    | ONTH   |
| \$5,000    | FVTH   |
| \$200,000  | 200TH  |
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- 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 (2565), 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: 2565-0000001-001.
- H. Pack A Pack of "HIT \$200,000" Scratch Ticket Game contains 075 Scratch 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 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 A Texas Lottery "HIT \$200,000" Scratch Ticket Game No. 2565.
- 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 "HIT \$200,000" Scratch Ticket Game is determined once the latex on the Scratch Ticket is scratched off to expose fifty-five (55) Play Symbols. If a player matches any of the YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols to any of the WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbols, the player wins the prize for that number. If the player reveals a "HIT" Play Symbol, the player wins the prize for that symbol instantly. If the player reveals a "2X" Play Symbol, the player wins DOUBLE the prize for that symbol. If the player reveals a "5X" Play Symbol, the player wins 5 TIMES the prize for that symbol. 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 fifty-five (55) 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 fifty-five (55) 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 fifty-five (55) Play Symbols must be exactly one of those described in Section 1.2.C of these Game Procedures;
- 17. Each of the fifty-five (55) 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. Consecutive non-winning Tickets within a Pack will not have matching patterns, in the same order, of either Play Symbols or Prize Symbols.
- B. A Ticket can win as indicated by the prize structure.
- C. A Ticket can win up to twenty-five (25) times.
- D. On winning and non-winning Tickets, the top cash prizes of \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$200,000 will each appear at least once, except on Tickets winning twenty-five (25) times, with respect to other parameters, play action or prize structure.
- E. No matching non-winning YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols will appear on a Ticket.
- F. A non-winning Prize Symbol will never match a winning Prize Symbol
- G. Tickets winning more than one (1) time will use as many WIN-NING NUMBERS Play Symbols as possible to create matches, unless restricted by other parameters, play action or prize structure.
- H. No matching WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbols will appear on a Ticket.
- I. All YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols will never equal the corresponding Prize Symbol (i.e., 10 and \$10, 15 and \$15 and 25 and \$25).
- J. On all Tickets, a Prize Symbol will not appear more than four (4) times, except as required by the prize structure to create multiple wins.
- K. On non-winning Tickets, a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol will never match a YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- L. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear on the same Ticket as the "2X" (DBL) or "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbols.
- M. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will win the prize for that Play Symbol.
- N. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- O. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear on a non-winning Ticket.
- P. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear as a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- Q. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- R. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will win DOUBLE the prize for that Play Symbol and will win as per the prize structure.
- S. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will never appear on a non-winning Ticket.
- T. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will never appear as a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- U. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- V. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will win 5 TIMES the prize for that Play Symbol and will win as per the prize structure.
- W. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will never appear on a non-winning Ticket.
- X. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will never appear as a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- Y. The "2X" (DBL) and "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbols can appear on the same Ticket as per the prize structure.

- 2.3 Procedure for Claiming Prizes.
- A. To claim a "HIT \$200,000" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$5.00, \$10.00, \$15.00, \$25.00, \$50.00, \$100 or \$200, 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 or \$200 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 "HIT \$200,000" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$1,000, \$5,000 or \$200,000, 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 "HIT \$200,000" 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.
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- 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;
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- 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 "HIT \$200,000" 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 "HIT \$200,000" 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 Game 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.
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- 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 Ticket Prizes. There will be approximately 14,040,000 Scratch Tickets in the Scratch Ticket Game No. 2565. The approximate number and value of prizes in the game are as follows:

Figure 2: GAME NO. 2565 - 4.0

| Prize Amount | Approximate Number of Winners* | Approximate Odds are 1 in ** |
|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| \$5.00       | 1,497,600                      | 9.38                         |
| \$10.00      | 624,000                        | 22.50                        |
| \$15.00      | 374,400                        | 37.50                        |
| \$25.00      | 717,600                        | 19.57                        |
| \$50.00      | 107,250                        | 130.91                       |
| \$100        | 20,280                         | 692.31                       |
| \$200        | 1,950                          | 7,200.00                     |
| \$1,000      | 156                            | 90,000.00                    |
| \$5,000      | 8                              | 1,755,000.00                 |
| \$200,000    | 6                              | 2,340,000.00                 |

<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 Game No. 2565 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 Game 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. 2565, 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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General Counsel
Texas Lottery Commission
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Scratch Ticket Game Number 2566 "HIT \$500,000"

1.0 Name and Style of Scratch Ticket Game.

A. The name of Scratch Ticket Game No. 2566 is "HIT \$500,000". The play style is "key number match".

1.1 Price of Scratch Ticket Game.

A. Tickets for Scratch Ticket Game No. 2566 shall be \$10.00 per Scratch Ticket.

1.2 Definitions in Scratch Ticket Game No. 2566.

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: 01, 03, 04, 06, 07, 08, 09, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, HIT SYMBOL, 2X SYMBOL, 5X SYMBOL, 10X SYMBOL, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$30.00, \$50.00, \$100, \$200, \$1,000, \$10,000 and \$500,000.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The overall odds of winning a prize are 1 in 4.20. The individual odds of winning for a particular prize level may vary based on sales, distribution, testing, and number of prizes claimed.

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. 2566 - 1.2D

| PLAY SYMBOL | CAPTION |
|-------------|---------|
| 01          | ONE     |
| 03          | THR     |
| 04          | FOR     |
| 06          | SIX     |
| 07          | SVN     |
| 08          | EGT     |
| 09          | NIN     |
| 11          | ELV     |
| 12          | TLV     |
| 13          | TRN     |
| 14          | FTN     |
| 15          | FFN     |
| 16          | SXN     |
| 17          | SVT     |
| 18          | ETN     |
| 19          | NTN     |
| 20          | TWY     |
| 21          | TWON    |
| 22          | тwто    |
| 23          | TWTH    |
| 24          | TWFR    |
| 25          | TWFV    |
| 26          | TWSX    |
| 27          | TWSV    |
| 28          | TWET    |
| 29          | TWNI    |
| 30          | TRTY    |

| 31         | TRON   |
|------------|--------|
| 32         | TRTO   |
| 33         | TRTH   |
| 34         | TRFR   |
| 35         | TRFV   |
| 36         | TRSX   |
| 37         | TRSV   |
| 38         | TRET   |
| 39         | TRNI   |
| 40         | FRTY   |
| 41         | FRON   |
| 42         | FRTO   |
| 43         | FRTH   |
| 44         | FRFR   |
| 45         | FRFV   |
| 46         | FRSX   |
| 47         | FRSV   |
| 48         | FRET   |
| 49         | FRNI   |
| 50         | FFTY   |
| 51         | FFON   |
| 52         | FFTO   |
| 53         | FFTH   |
| 54         | FFFR   |
| 55         | FFFV   |
| HIT SYMBOL | WIN\$  |
| 2X SYMBOL  | DBL    |
| 5X SYMBOL  | WINX5  |
| 10X SYMBOL | WINX10 |
|            |        |

| TEN\$  |
|--------|
| TWY\$  |
| TRTY\$ |
| FFTY\$ |
| ONHN   |
| TOHN   |
| ONTH   |
| 10TH   |
| 500TH  |
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- 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: 00000000000000.
- 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 (2566), a seven (7) digit Pack number, and a three (3) digit Ticket number. Ticket numbers start with 001 and end with 050 within each Pack. The format will be: 2566-000001-001.
- H. Pack A Pack of "HIT \$500,000" Scratch Ticket Game contains 050 Scratch Tickets, packed in plastic shrink-wrapping and fanfolded in pages of one (1). The back of Ticket 001 will be shown on the front of the Pack; the back of Ticket 050 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.
- I. Non-Winning 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 A Texas Lottery "HIT \$500,000" Scratch Ticket Game No. 2566.
- 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 "HIT \$500,000" Scratch Ticket Game is determined once the latex on the Scratch Ticket is scratched off to expose sixty-six (66) Play Symbols. If a player matches any of the YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols to any of the WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbols, the player wins the prize for that number. If the player reveals a "HIT" Play Symbol, the player wins the prize for that

symbol instantly. If the player reveals a "2X" Play Symbol, the player wins DOUBLE the prize for that symbol. If the player reveals a "5X" Play Symbol, the player wins 5 TIMES the prize for that symbol. If the player reveals a "10X" Play Symbol, the player wins 10 TIMES the prize for that symbol. 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 sixty-six (66) 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 sixty-six (66) 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 sixty-six (66) Play Symbols must be exactly one of those described in Section 1.2.C of these Game Procedures;
- 17. Each of the sixty-six (66) 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. Consecutive Non-Winning Tickets within a Pack will not have matching patterns, in the same order, of Play Symbols or Prize Symbols.
- B. A Ticket can win as indicated by the prize structure.
- C. A Ticket can win up to thirty (30) times.
- D. On winning and Non-Winning Tickets, the top cash prizes of \$1,000, \$10,000 and \$500,000 will each appear at least once, except on Tickets winning thirty (30) times and with respect to other parameters, play action or prize structure.
- E. Non-winning Prize Symbols will not match a winning Prize Symbol on a Ticket.
- F. No matching non-winning YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols will appear on a Ticket.
- G. No matching WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbols will appear on a Ticket.

- H. Tickets winning more than one (1) time will use as many WIN-NING NUMBERS Play Symbols as possible to create matches, unless restricted by other parameters, play action or prize structure.
- I. On Non-Winning Tickets, a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol will never match a YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- J. All YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols will never equal the corresponding Prize Symbols (i.e., 20 and \$20, 30 and \$30 and \$50 and \$50).
- K. On all Tickets, a Prize Symbol will not appear more than five (5) times, except as required by the prize structure to create multiple wins.
- L. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear on the same Ticket as the "2X" (DBL), "5X" (WINX5) or "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbols.
- M. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will win the prize for that Play Symbol.
- N. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- O. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear on a Non-Winning Ticket.
- P. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear as a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- Q. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will never appear as a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- R. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will win DOUBLE the prize for that Play Symbol and will win as per the prize structure.
- S. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- T. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will never appear on a Non-Winning Ticket.
- U. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will never appear as a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- V. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will win 5 TIMES the prize for that Play Symbol and will win as per the prize structure.
- W. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- X. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will never appear on a Non-Winning Ticket.
- Y. The "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbol will never appear as a WIN-NING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- Z. The "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbol will win 10 TIMES the prize for that Play Symbol and will win as per the prize structure.
- AA. The "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- BB. The "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbol will never appear on a Non-Winning Ticket.
- CC. The "2X" (DBL) and "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbols can appear on the same winning Ticket, as per the prize structure.
- DD. The "2X" (DBL), "5X" (WINX5) and "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbols can appear on the same winning Ticket, as per the prize structure.
- 2.3 Procedure for Claiming Prizes.
- A. To claim a "HIT \$500,000" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$10.00, \$20.00, \$30.00, \$50.00, \$100 or \$200, 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 \$30.00, \$50.00, \$100 or \$200 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 "HIT \$500,000" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$1,000, \$10,000 or \$500,000, 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 "HIT \$500,000" 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.
- F. If a person is indebted or owes delinquent taxes to the State, and is selected as a winner in a promotional second-chance drawing, the debt to the State must be paid within 14 days of notification or the prize will be awarded to an Alternate.
- 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 "HIT \$500,000" 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 "HIT \$500,000" 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 Game 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.
- 2.9 Promotional Second-Chance Drawings. Any Non-Winning "HIT \$500,000" Scratch Ticket may be entered into one (1) of five (5) promotional drawings for a chance to win a promotional second-chance drawing prize. See instructions on the back of the Scratch Ticket for information on eligibility and entry requirements.
- 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 Ticket Prizes. There will be approximately 11,040,000 Scratch Tickets in the Scratch Ticket Game No. 2566. The approximate number and value of prizes in the game are as follows:

Figure 2: GAME NO. 2566 - 4.0

| Prize Amount | Approximate Number of Winners* | Approximate Odds are 1<br>in ** |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| \$10.00      | 1,324,800                      | 8.33                            |
| \$20.00      | 662,400                        | 16.67                           |
| \$30.00      | 441,600                        | 25.00                           |
| \$50.00      | 441,600                        | 25.00                           |
| \$100        | 80,960                         | 136.36                          |
| \$200        | 12,420                         | 888.89                          |
| \$1,000      | 275                            | 40,145.45                       |
| \$10,000     | 10                             | 1,104,000.00                    |
| \$500,000    | 5                              | 2,208,000.00                    |

<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 Game No. 2566 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 Game 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. 2566, 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 2567 "HIT \$1,000,000"

1.0 Name and Style of Scratch Ticket Game.

- A. The name of Scratch Ticket Game No. 2567 is "HIT \$1,000,000". The play style is "key number match".
- 1.1 Price of Scratch Ticket Game.
- A. Tickets for Scratch Ticket Game No. 2567 shall be \$20.00 per Scratch Ticket.
- 1.2 Definitions in Scratch Ticket Game No. 2567.
- 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: 01, 03, 04, 06, 07, 08, 09, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, HIT SYMBOL, 2X SYMBOL, 5X SYMBOL, 10X SYMBOL, 20X SYMBOL, \$20.00, \$40.00, \$50.00, \$100, \$200, \$400, \$1,000, \$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

<sup>\*\*</sup>The overall odds of winning a prize are 1 in 3.72. The individual odds of winning for a particular prize level may vary based on sales, distribution, testing, and number of prizes claimed.

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Figure 1: GAME NO. 2567 - 1.2D

| PLAY SYMBOL | CAPTION |
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| 01          | ONE     |
| 03          | THR     |
| 04          | FOR     |
| 06          | SIX     |
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| 2X SYMBOL  | DBL    |
| 5X SYMBOL  | WINX5  |
| 10X SYMBOL | WINX10 |
| 20X SYMBOL | WINX20 |
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| \$20.00     | TWY\$  |
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| \$50.00     | FFTY\$ |
| \$100       | ONHN   |
| \$200       | TOHN   |
| \$400       | FRHN   |
| \$1,000     | ONTH   |
| \$20,000    | 20TH   |
| \$1,000,000 | TPPZ   |

- 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 (2567), 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: 2567-0000001-001.
- H. Pack A Pack of "HIT \$1,000,000" Scratch Ticket Game contains 025 Scratch Tickets, packed in plastic shrink-wrapping and fanfolded in pages of one (1). The front of 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 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 A Texas Lottery "HIT \$1,000,000" Scratch Ticket Game No. 2567.
- 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 "HIT \$1,000,000" Scratch Ticket Game is determined once the latex on the Scratch Ticket is scratched off to expose sixty-six (66) Play Symbols. If a player matches any of

the YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols to any of the WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbols, the player wins the prize for that number. If the player reveals a "HIT" Play Symbol, the player wins the prize for that symbol instantly. If the player reveals a "2X" Play Symbol, the player wins DOUBLE the prize for that symbol. If the player reveals a "5X" Play Symbol, the player wins 5 TIMES the prize for that symbol. If the player reveals a "10X" Play Symbol, the player wins 10 TIMES the prize for that symbol. If the player reveals a "20X" Play Symbol, the player wins 20 TIMES the prize for that symbol. 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 sixty-six (66) 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 sixty-six (66) 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 sixty-six (66) Play Symbols must be exactly one of those described in Section 1.2.C of these Game Procedures;
- 17. Each of the sixty-six (66) 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. Consecutive Non-Winning Tickets within a Pack will not have matching patterns, in the same order, of Play Symbols or Prize Symbols.
- B. A Ticket can win as indicated by the prize structure.
- C. A Ticket can win up to thirty (30) times.
- D. On winning and Non-Winning Tickets, the top cash prizes of \$1,000, \$20,000 and \$1,000,000 will each appear at least once, except on Tickets winning thirty (30) times and with respect to other parameters, play action or prize structure.
- E. Non-winning Prize Symbols will not match a winning Prize Symbol on a Ticket.

- F. No matching non-winning YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols will appear on a Ticket.
- G. No matching WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbols will appear on a Ticket.
- H. Tickets winning more than one (1) time will use as many WIN-NING NUMBERS Play Symbols as possible to create matches, unless restricted by other parameters, play action or prize structure.
- I. On Non-Winning Tickets, a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol will never match a YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- J. All YOUR NUMBERS Play Symbols will never equal the corresponding Prize Symbols (i.e., 40 and \$40 and \$50).
- K. On all Tickets, a Prize Symbol will not appear more than five (5) times, except as required by the prize structure to create multiple wins.
- L. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear on the same Ticket as the "2X" (DBL), "5X" (WINX5), "10X" (WINX10) or "20X" (WINX20) Play Symbols.
- M. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will win the prize for that Play Symbol.
- N. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- O. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear on a Non-Winning Ticket.
- P. The "HIT" (WIN\$) Play Symbol will never appear as a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- Q. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will never appear as a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- R. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will win DOUBLE the prize for that Play Symbol and will win as per the prize structure.
- S. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- T. The "2X" (DBL) Play Symbol will never appear on a Non-Winning Ticket.
- U. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will never appear as a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- V. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will win 5 TIMES the prize for that Play Symbol and will win as per the prize structure.
- W. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- X. The "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbol will never appear on a Non-Winning Ticket.
- Y. The "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbol will never appear as a WIN-NING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- Z. The "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbol will win 10 TIMES the prize for that Play Symbol and will win as per the prize structure.
- AA. The "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- BB. The "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbol will never appear on a Non-Winning Ticket.
- CC. The "20X" (WINX20) Play Symbol will never appear as a WINNING NUMBERS Play Symbol.
- DD. The "20X" (WINX20) Play Symbol will win 20 TIMES the prize for that Play Symbol and will win as per the prize structure.

- EE. The "20X" (WINX20) Play Symbol will never appear more than once on a Ticket.
- FF. The "20X" (WINX20) Play Symbol will never appear on a Non-Winning Ticket.
- GG. The "2X" (DBL) and "5X" (WINX5) Play Symbols can appear on the same winning Ticket, as per the prize structure.
- HH. The "2X" (DBL), "5X" (WINX5) and "10X" (WINX10) Play Symbols can appear on the same winning Ticket, as per the prize structure.
- II. The "2X" (DBL), "5X" (WINX5), "10X" (WINX10) and "20X" (WINX20) Play Symbols can appear on the same winning Ticket, as per the prize structure.
- 2.3 Procedure for Claiming Prizes.
- A. To claim a "HIT \$1,000,000" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$20.00, \$40.00, \$50.00, \$100, \$200 or \$400, 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 \$40.00, \$50.00, \$100, \$200 or \$400 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 "HIT \$1,000,000" Scratch Ticket Game prize of \$1,000, \$20,000 or \$1,000,000, 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 "HIT \$1,000,000" 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.
- F. If a person is indebted or owes delinquent taxes to the State, and is selected as a winner in a promotional second-chance drawing, the debt to the State must be paid within 14 days of notification or the prize will be awarded to an Alternate.
- 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 "HIT \$1,000,000" 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 "HIT \$1,000,000" 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 Game 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.
- 2.9 Promotional Second-Chance Drawings. Any Non-Winning "HIT \$1,000,000" Scratch Ticket may be entered into one (1) of five (5) promotional drawings for a chance to win a promotional second-chance drawing prize. See instructions on the back of the Scratch Ticket for information on eligibility and entry requirements.
- 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 Ticket Prizes. There will be approximately 6,000,000 Scratch Tickets in the Scratch Ticket Game No. 2567. The approximate number and value of prizes in the game are as follows:

Figure 2: GAME NO. 2567 - 4.0

| Prize Amount | Approximate Number of Winners* | Approximate Odds are 1<br>in ** |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| \$20.00      | 720,000                        | 8.33                            |
| \$40.00      | 336,000                        | 17.86                           |
| \$50.00      | 384,000                        | 15.63                           |
| \$100        | 288,000                        | 20.83                           |
| \$200        | 26,400                         | 227.27                          |
| \$400        | 4,100                          | 1,463.41                        |
| \$1,000      | 245                            | 24,489.80                       |
| \$20,000     | 8                              | 750,000.00                      |
| \$1,000,000  | 4                              | 1,500,000.00                    |

<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 Game No. 2567 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 Game 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. 2567, 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.

TRD-202401228

Bob Biard General Counsel Texas Lottery Commission Filed: March 20, 2024

## **Texas Parks and Wildlife Department**

Notice of a Public Comment Hearing on an Application for a Sand and Gravel Permit

Magellan Crude Oil Pipeline Company, L.P. has applied to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) for a General Permit pursuant to Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, Chapter 86, to remove or disturb four cubic yards of sedimentary material within Alum Creek in Bastrop County. The purpose is to complete maintenance and repairs on an existing pipeline. The location is 0.87 miles from Highway 71 and approximately 4.68 miles from County Road 230 (N 30.055490° / W

<sup>\*\*</sup>The overall odds of winning a prize are 1 in 3.41. The individual odds of winning for a particular prize level may vary based on sales, distribution, testing, and number of prizes claimed.

-97.222994°). This notice is being published and mailed pursuant to 31 TAC §69.105(d).

TPWD will hold a public comment hearing regarding the application at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at TPWD headquarters, located at 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, Texas 78744. A remote participation option will be available upon request. Potential attendees should contact Sue Reilly at (512) 389-8622 or at sue.reilly@tpwd.texas.gov for information on how to participate in the hearing remotely. The hearing is not a contested case hearing under the Texas Administrative Procedure Act. Oral and written public comment will be accepted during the hearing.

Written comments may be submitted directly to TPWD and must be received no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice in the *Texas Register*. A written request for a contested case hearing from an applicant or a person with a justiciable interest may also be submitted and must be received by TPWD prior to the close of the public comment period. Timely hearing requests shall be referred to the State Office of Administrative Hearings. Submit written comments, questions, requests to review the application, or requests for a contested case hearing to: TPWD Sand and Gravel Program by mail: Attn: Sue Reilly, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Inland Fisheries Division, 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, Texas 78744; or via e-mail: sand.gravel@tpwd.texas.gov.

TRD-202401220 James Murphy General Counsel

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

Filed: March 19, 2024

## **Public Utility Commission of Texas**

Notice of Application for Recovery of Universal Service Funding

Notice is given to the public of an application filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) on March 13, 2024, for recovery of universal service funding under Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) § 56.025 and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §26.406.

Docket Style and Number: Application of Community Telephone Company, Inc. to Recover Funds from the Texas Universal Service Fund under PURA § 56.025 and 16 TAC §26.406 For Calendar Year 2022, Docket Number 56348.

The Application: Community Telephone Company, Inc. seeks recovery of funds from the Texas Universal Service Fund (TUSF) due to Federal Communications Commission actions resulting in a reduction in the Federal Universal Service Fund (FUSF) revenues available to Community Telephone Company for 2022. Community Telephone Company requests that the Commission allow recovery of funds from the TUSF in the amount of \$1,730,653.53 for 2022 to replace the projected reduction in FUSF revenue.

Persons wishing to intervene or comment on the action sought should contact the Commission 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. A deadline for intervention in this proceeding will be established. 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 56348.

TRD-202401160 Andrea Gonzalez Rules Coordinator Public Utility Commission of Texas Filed: March 14, 2024

**Funding** 

Notice of Application for Recovery of Universal Service

Notice is given to the public of an application filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) on March 15, 2024, for recovery of universal service funding under Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) § 56.025 and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §26.406.

Docket Style and Number: Application of Big Bend Telephone Company, Inc. to Recover Funds from the Texas Universal Service Fund under PURA § 56.025 and 16 TAC §26.406 For Calendar Year 2022, Docket Number 56370.

The Application: Big Bend Telephone Company, Inc. seeks recovery of funds from the Texas Universal Service Fund (TUSF) due to Federal Communications Commission actions resulting in a reduction in the Federal Universal Service Fund (FUSF) revenues available to Big Bend Telephone Company for 2022. Big Bend Telephone Company requests that the Commission allow recovery of funds from the TUSF in the amount of \$1,980,625.55 for calendar year 2022 to replace the projected reduction in FUSF revenue.

Persons wishing to intervene or comment on the action sought should contact the Commission 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. A deadline for intervention in this proceeding will be established. 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 56370.

TRD-202401199
Andrea Gonzalez
Rules Coordinator
Public Utility Commission of Texas
Filed: March 18, 2024

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