Name of Form:
Notice of Carrier Defect Issued by the Early Voting Clerk (Defective Carrier Envelope Returned to the Voter by Mail)

Section Reference:
Section 86.011(d), Texas Election Code

Purpose:
To inform the voter of a defect(s) with his or her Carrier Envelope and provide instructions about the Corrective Action Process.

Number of Copies Required:
Two copies are recommended. One copy must be sent to the voter. The other copy should be retained with the early voting clerk’s records.

Completed By:
Early Voting Clerk

Filing Date:
The early voting clerk may send the voter this notice as soon as the defect is identified.

Filed With:
The voter who returned his or her Carrier Envelope.

Comments:
The Early Voting Clerk has the authority to act according to Section 86.011(d), Texas Election Code.

If an early voting clerk chooses to notify voters of defects in their carrier envelope under Section 86.011(d) of the Texas Election Code, the clerk must apply these procedures uniformly to all voters in similar circumstances.

If the early voting clerk receives a mail ballot with an obvious defect, but it is within the time frame that the Signature Verification Committee (SVC) or Early Voting Ballot Board (EVBB) can meet, the clerk should expeditiously deliver these ballots to the SVC or EVBB so that they may complete their full review and the voter can be notified of all defects in a timely fashion.

Version:
Current form is dated 9/2023.