## NPDES PERMIT NO. TX0134015 STATEMENT OF BASIS

# FOR THE DRAFT NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES

## **APPLICANT**:

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#### PERMIT ACTION

Under regulations at 40 CFR 124.5, this is a proposed modification of an existing permit issued on April 22, 2020, with an effective date of May 1, 2020, and an expiration date of April 30, 2025. Only those conditions of the permit being modified are being reopened and are available for review and comment.

40 CFR CITATIONS: Unless otherwise stated, citations to 40 CFR refer to promulgated regulations listed at Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, revised as of June 26, 2020.

## **RECEIVING WATER – BASIN**

Hunting Bayou, Water Body Segment No. 1007R, Houston Ship Channel/Buffalo Bayou Tidal of the San Jacinto River Basin

## **DOCUMENT ABBREVIATIONS**

For brevity, Region 6 used acronyms and abbreviated terminology in this Statement of Basis document whenever possible. The following acronyms were used frequently in this document:

BAT	Best Available Technology Economically Achievable
BOD <sub>5</sub>	Biochemical oxygen demand (five-day unless noted otherwise)
BPJ	Best professional judgment
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
cfs	Cubic feet per second
COD	Chemical oxygen demand
COE	United States Corp of Engineers
CWA	Clean Water Act
DMR	Discharge monitoring report
ELG	Effluent limitation guidelines
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
ESA	Endangered Species Act
F&WS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
GPD	Gallon per day
HT	Hydrostatic Testing
IP	Procedures to Implement the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards
μg/l	Micrograms per liter (one part per billion)
mg/l	Milligrams per liter (one part per million)
MGD	Million gallons per day
MSGP	Multi-Sector General Permit
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
MQL	Minimum quantification level
O&G	Oil and grease
RRC	Railroad Commission of Texas
RP	Reasonable potential
SIC	Standard industrial classification
s.u.	Standard units (for parameter pH)
TAC	Texas Administrative Code
TCEQ	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
TDS	Total dissolved solids
TMDL	Total maximum daily load
TOC	Total Organic Carbon
TRC	Total residual chlorine
TSS	Total suspended solids
TSWQS	Texas Surface Water Quality Standards
WET	Whole effluent toxicity
WQMP	Water Quality Management Plan
wos	Water Quality Standards
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## I. PROPOSED CHANGES FROM CURRENT PERMIT

- 1. 24-hour biomonitoring requirement has been removed from the modified permit.
- 2. The 7-day chronic biomonitoring frequency has been changed from quarterly to semiannually.

## **II. APPLICANT LOCATION and ACTIVITY**

The proposed permit allows only the hydrostatic test discharge water from tanks and piping associated with transporting crude oil. Existing tanks at the site are used to store crude petroleum products. Magellan East Houston Terminal is located at 7901 Wallisville Road, Harris County, Texas.

Under the SIC code 4612, Crude Petroleum Pipelines, the facility is an existing "for hire" bulk storage terminal for refined petroleum products. The facility plans to construct new tanks and pipelines at the site for the storage and conveyance of crude oil. Both new and existing tanks and pipelines shall be hydrostatically tested using municipal water. The hydrostatic test water from other Magellan terminals will either be piped to the Magellan East Houston terminal or hauled via tanker truck for discharge.

The facility proposes to use carbon filtration to treat wastewater that is suspected of being contaminated. The use of carbon filtration is optional and will not necessarily be used to treat each individual discharge. The facility may also treat the wastewater with acid or sodium bisulphite, if required. The source water is from the municipal water supply, which contains chloramines. If necessary, chemical treatment will be performed to remove chloramines from the source water.

## III. DISCHARGE LOCATION

The discharge points showing Outfall number, discharge coordinates: latitude and longitude, county, average flow rate in millions gallons per day (MGD), receiving water, and the waterbody identification numbers are shown in the following table:

Outfall	Discharge Coordinates		Max	Receiving Water	Segment #
Reference	Latitude Deg° Min' Sec"		Flow		
Number	Longitude Deg° Min' Sec"	County	MGD		
001	29° 47' 43.905" N	Harris	0.72	Hunting Bayou	Segment No. 1007
	95° 17' 4.699" W				
002	29° 47' 46.723" N	Harris	0.72	Hunting Bayou	Segment No. 1007
	95° 16' 59.554" W				
003	29° 47' 52.263" N	Harris	0.72	Hunting Bayou	Segment No. 1007
	95° 16' 54.416" W				
004	29° 47' 56.396" N	Harris	0.72	Hunting Bayou	Segment No. 1007
	95° 16' 49.741" W				
005	29° 47' 57.770" N	Harris	0.72	Hunting Bayou	Segment No. 1007
	95° 16' 44.400" W				
006	29° 47' 58.451" N	Harris	0.72	Hunting Bayou	Segment No. 1007
	95° 16' 42.168" W				
007	29° 47' 49.692" N	Harris	0.72	Hunting Bayou	Segment No. 1007
	95° 16' 59.097" W				
008	29° 47' 54.637" N	Harris	0.72	Hunting Bayou	Segment No. 1007
	95° 16' 54.136" W				

## **IV. DISCHARGE DESCRIPTION**

The terminal is an existing "for hire" bulk storage terminal. The facility proposes to construct new tanks and pipelines at the site for storage and conveyance of crude oil. The facility provided estimate for the following parameters:

Parameter	Max Concentration, mg/L	Average Concentration,
	unless noted	mg/L unless noted
Flow, MGD	0.79 (1.22 cfs)	0.79 (1.22 cfs)
pH, su	6.62 - 6.95	
BOD	N/A	
Oil & Grease	2.5	<2.0
TSS	2.95	2.19
Ammonia	NA	NA

The designated uses of for Segment No. 1007 are navigation, and industrial water supply.

## V. REGULATORY AUTHORITY/PERMIT ACTION

In November 1972, Congress passed the Federal Water Pollution Control Act establishing the NPDES permit program to control water pollution. These amendments established technologybased or end-of-pipe control mechanisms and an interim goal to achieve "water quality which provides for the protection and propagation of fish, shellfish, and wildlife and provides for recreation in and on the water;" more commonly known as the "swimmable, fishable" goal. Further amendments in 1977 of the CWA gave EPA the authority to implement pollution control programs such as setting wastewater standards for industry and established the basic structure for regulating pollutants discharges into the waters of the United States. In addition, it made it unlawful for any person to discharge any pollutant from a point source into navigable waters, unless a permit was obtained under its provisions. Regulations governing the EPA administered NPDES permit program are generally found at 40 CFR §122 (program requirements & permit conditions), §124 (procedures for decision making), §125 (technology-based standards) and §136 (analytical procedures). Other parts of 40 CFR provide guidance for specific activities and may be used in this document as required.

This is a modification to an existing permit issued on April 22, 2020, with an expiration date of April 30, 2025. EPA is modifying this permit for consistency with other permits issued in Region 6. This permit modification is prepared to remove the 24-hour biomonitoring requirements established in final permit issued April 22, 2020.

## VI. DRAFT PERMIT RATIONALE AND PROPOSED PERMIT CONDITIONS

#### A. OVERVIEW of TECHNOLOGY-BASED VERSUS WATER QUALITY STANDARDS-BASED EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND CONDITION FOR PERMIT ISSUANCE

Regulations contained in 40 CFR §122.44 NPDES permit limits are developed that meet the more stringent of either technology-based effluent limitation guidelines, numerical and/or narrative water quality standard-based effluent limits, on best professional judgment (BPJ) in the absence of guidelines, and/or requirements pursuant to 40 CFR 122.44(d), whichever are more stringent.

## B. TECHNOLOGY-BASED EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS/CONDITIONS

There are no changes proposed in the technology-based effluent limitations. All the existing limitations remains unchanged.

## C. WATER QUALITY BASED LIMITATIONS

There are no changes proposed in the water quality-based effluent limitations. All the existing limitations remains unchanged.

## D. MONITORING FREQUENCY FOR LIMITED PARAMETERS

Regulations require permits to establish monitoring requirements to yield data representative of the monitored activity, 40 CFR §122.48(b), and to assure compliance with permit limitations, 40 CFR §122.44(i)(1). The monitoring frequencies are based on BPJ, taking into account the nature of the facility.

For all Outfalls, monitoring for flow, TSS, Oil & Grease, BTEX, TOC, total residual chlorine and pH shall be daily by grab sample, when discharging.

## E. WHOLE EFFLUENT TOXICITY TESTING

Biomonitoring is the most direct measure of potential toxicity which incorporates both the effects of synergism of effluent components and receiving stream water quality characteristics. The facility indicated that it is planning to add chemical treatment to treat for chloramines, in addition to treating the wastewater with acid to adjust the pH. There appear that the discharge will have a potential for toxicity. Biomonitoring of the effluent is, therefore, required as a condition of this permit to assess potential toxicity.

## OUTFALL 001

According to TCEQ implementation procedures, permittees that discharge directly into perennial freshwater streams or rivers with a designated or limited, intermediate, high, or exceptional aquatic life use will conduct chronic testing. In Section V.C.5.d. above; "Toxics", it was stated that the critical dilution, CD, for the facility is 30.7% (including a mixing zone). Based on the nature of the discharge; industrial, the estimated average flow; 0.79 MGD (1.22 cfs), the nature of the receiving water; perennial freshwater; the 2010 TCEQ IP directs the WET test to be a 7-day chronic test using chronic test species *Ceriodaphnia dubia* and *Pimephales promelas* at a quarterly frequency for the first year of the permit. If all WET tests pass during the first year, the permittee may request a monitoring frequency reduction for the either or both of the test species for the following 2-5 years of the permit. The invertebrate species (*Ceriodaphnia dubia*) may be reduced to twice per year and the vertebrate species (*Pimephales promelas*) may be reduced to once per year. If any tests fail during that time the frequency will revert to the once per three months frequency for the remainder of the permit term. Both test species shall resume monitoring at a quarterly frequency on the last day of the permit.

The proposed permit requires five (5) dilutions in addition to the control (0% effluent) to be used in the toxicity tests based on a 0.75 dilution series. These additional effluent concentrations shall be 12.09%, 16.12%, 23.03%, 30.7%, and 40.93%.

This is a modification of an existing permit issued April 22, 2020. EPA is modifying this permit for consistency with other permits issued in Region 6. The current permit established a 24-hour acute test requirement to last from a few hours to 3 days at a frequency of once per six months. EPA notes that the type of WET test required of a facility is NOT dependent on the duration of the discharge. The type of test is determined based on the characteristics of the receiving stream and dilution at the edge of the mixing zone. EPA is removing the 24- hour acute test requirement that requires the facility to use 24-hour acute test for discharges that last up to 3 days because such requirements wrongfully equate the duration of discharge to the extent of its toxicity. The EPA-approved methods clearly specify that if a discharge is of short duration then a composite sample is to be collected for the duration of the discharge.

EPA concludes based on the nature of the discharge described as hydrostatic test wastewater, the 2010 TCEQ IP directs the WET test to be a 7-day chronic test using chronic test species *Ceriodaphnia dubia* and *Pimephales promelas*. However, based on the nature of the discharge, EPA is changing the monitoring frequency from quarterly to semi-annually when discharge occurs.

During the period beginning on the effective date of the permit and lasting through the expiration date of the permit, the permittee is authorized to discharge from Outfall 001 - the discharge to Hunting Bayou, Water Body Segment No. 1007R, Houston Ship Channel/Buffalo Bayou Tidal of the San Jacinto River Basin.

EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTICS	DISCHARGE MONITORING	MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
Whole Effluent Toxicity Testing (7Day Chronic Static Renewal NOEC) (*1)	VALUE	MEASUREMENT FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE (*2)
Ceriodaphnia dubia	Report	Once/six months (*3)	Composite
Pimephales promelas	Report	Once/six months (*3)	Composite

Discharges shall be monitored by the permittee as specified below:

## FOOTNOTES

\*1 Monitoring and reporting requirements begin on the effective date of this permit. See Part II, Whole Effluent Toxicity Testing Requirements for additional WET monitoring and reporting conditions.

\*2 The permittee shall perform composite effluent samples from outfall 001 in proportion to the flow

\*3 Frequency shall be once per six months when discharging.

## F. FINAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

See the draft permit for limitations.

## VII. FACILITY OPERATIONAL PRACTICES

#### A. WASTEWATER POLLUTION PREVENTION REQUIREMENTS

The permittee shall institute programs directed towards pollution prevention. The permittee will institute programs to improve the operating efficiency and extend the useful life of the treatment system.

#### B. OPERATION AND REPORTING

The permittee must submit Discharge Monitoring Report's (DMR's) <u>quarterly</u>, beginning on the effective date of the permit, lasting through the expiration date of the permit or termination of the permit, to report on all limitations and monitoring requirements in the permit.

## VIII. IMPAIRED WATER - 303(d) LIST AND TMDL

According to the 2016 State of Texas 303(d) List for Assessed River/Stream Reaches Requiring Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), the receiving stream for Outfall 001, Hunting Bayou, Segment No. 1007R is listed for depressed dissolved Oxygen (DO). Depressed DO is under TCEQ's category 5c, which implies that additional data or information will be collected and/or evaluated for one or more parameters before a management strategy is selected.

Oxygen is added to water by re-aeration i.e. Oxygen from air is dissolved in water at its surface, mostly through turbulence. The nature of the hydrostatic test and dewatering activity associated with the Project would simulate the natural turbulences or re-aeration that occurs instream by allowing surface water to come in contact with air. This action would likely increase dissolved oxygen levels and would not contribute to the depressed DO levels.

In light of the nature of the system, the discharger is not likely to contribute to DO. Therefore, no additional requirements beyond the previously described technology-based or water quality-based effluent limitations and monitoring requirements, are established in the proposed permit. The discharge water will not be treated with biocides or other additives. Therefore, no additional requirements beyond the previously described technology-based or water quality-based effluent limitations and monitoring requirements, are established in the proposed permit.

## **IX. ANTIDEGRADATION**

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Texas Surface Water Quality Standards, Antidegradation, Title 30, Part 1, Chapter 307, Rule §307.5 sets forth the requirements to protect designated uses through implementation of the State WQS. The limitations and monitoring requirements set forth in the proposed permit are developed from the State WQS and are protective of those designated uses. Furthermore, the policy sets forth the intent to protect the existing quality of those waters, whose quality exceeds their designated use. The permit requirements are protective of the assimilative capacity of the receiving waters, which is protective of the designated uses of that water.

## X. ANTIBACKSLIDING

The proposed permit is consistent with the requirements and exemption to meet Antibacksliding provisions of the Clean Water Act, Section 402(o) and 40 CFR Part 122.44(i)(B), which state in

part that interim or final effluent limitations must be as stringent as those in the previous permit, <u>unless</u> information is available which was not available at the time of permit issuance. The permit maintains the requirement of the existing permit.

## XI. ENDANGERED SPECIES

The effects of EPA's permitting action are considered in the context of the environmental baseline. The environmental baseline is established by the past and present impacts of all Federal, State, or private actions and other human activities in an action area; the anticipated impacts of all proposed Federal projects in an action area that have already undergone formal or early ESA §7 consultation; and the impact of State or private actions that are contemporaneous with the consultation in process (50 CFR §402.02). Hydrostatic test water discharges occur after a pipeline has already been put in place following earth disturbing activities that have had to have received appropriate federal, state, and local authorizations putting the construction of pipeline itself into the environmental baseline. The scope of the evaluation of the effects of the discharge authorized by this permit was therefore limited to the effects related to the authorized discharge.

According to the most recent county listing available at US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Southwest Region 2 website,

http://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/wizard/chooseLocation!prepare.action, five species are listed as endangered or threatened in Harris County. They are Texas Prairie dawn flower (Hymenoxys texana), West Indian Manatee (Trichechus manatus), Least tern (Sterna antillarum), Piping Plover (Charadrius melodus) and Red Knot (Calidris). The description of the species and its effect on the hydrostatic test discharge is described below.

## **TEXAS PRAIRIE DAWN FLOWER** (Hymenoxys texana):

Texas Prairie Dawn is a delicate annual one to six inches tall. Its yellow flower heads, less than 1/2 inch in diameter, stand out brightly in the patches of dull gray barren sand in which the species is normally found.

Texas Prairie Dawn flowers in March - early April; disappear by mid-summer. It is known from about 50 sites, many within Addicks and Barker Reservoirs in western Harris County. However, habitat destruction by urban development continues to threaten this tiny plant. It grows in sparsely vegetated areas ("slick spots") at the base of mima mounds ("pimple mounds") or other nearly barren areas on slightly saline soils in coastal prairie grasslands. This wildflower is found in Fort Bend and Harris counties, southeast Texas. This species occurs within and on the outskirts of Houston.

## WEST INDIAN MANATEE (Trichechus manatus)

West Indian manatees are large, gray aquatic mammals with bodies that taper to a flat, paddleshaped tail. They have two forelimbs, called flippers, with three to four nails on each flipper. Their head and face are wrinkled with whiskers on the snout. The manatee's closest relatives are the elephant and the hyrax. Manatees are believed to have evolved from a wading, planteating animal. The average adult manatee is about 10 feet long and weighs between 800 and 1,200 pounds. Manatees can be found in shallow, slow-moving rivers, estuaries, saltwater bays, canals, and coastal areas - particularly where seagrass beds or freshwater vegetation flourish. Manatees are a migratory species.

Manatees are gentle and slow-moving animals. Most of their time is spent eating, resting, and traveling. Manatee are mostly herbivorous, however small fish and invertebrates can sometimes be ingested along with a manatee's normal vegetation diet.

West Indian manatees have no natural enemies, and it is believed they can live 60 years or more. As with all wild animal populations, a certain percentage of manatee mortality is attributed to natural causes of death such as cold stress, gastrointestinal disease, pneumonia, and other diseases. A high number of additional fatalities are from human-related causes. Most human-related manatee fatalities occur from collisions with watercraft. Other causes of humanrelated manatee mortality include being crushed and/or drowned in canal locks and flood control structures; ingestion of fish hooks, litter, and monofilament line; and entanglement in crab trap lines. Ultimately, loss of habitat is the most serious threat facing manatees in the United States today.

## LEAST TERN (Sterna Antillarum)

The Least tern populations have declined due to habitat destruction by permanent inundation, destruction by reservoir releases, channelization projects, alterations of Natural River or lake dynamics resulting in vegetational succession of potential nesting sites, and recreational use of potential nesting sites. Issuance of this permit is found to have no impact on the habitat of this species, as none of the aforementioned listed activities is authorized by this permitting action.

## PIPING PLOVER (Charadrius melodus)

Piping Plover is listed in Harris County as threatened. A small plover has wings approximately 117 mm; tail 51 mm; weight 46-64 g (average 55 g); length averages about 17-18 cm. Inland birds have more complete breast band than Atlantic coast birds. The non-breeding plovers lose the dark bands. The breeding season begins when the adults reach the breeding grounds in mid- to late April or in mid-May in northern parts of the range. The adult males arrive earliest, select beach habitats, and defend established territories against other males. When adult females arrive at the breeding grounds several weeks later, the males conduct elaborate courtship rituals including aerial displays of circles and figure eights, whistling song, posturing with spread tail and wings, and rapid drumming of feet. The plovers defend territory during breeding season and at some winter sites. Nesting territory may or may not contain the foraging area. Home range during the breeding season generally is confined to the vicinity of the nest. Plovers are usually found in sandy beaches, especially where scattered grass tufts are present, and sparsely vegetated shores and islands of shallow lakes, ponds, rivers, and impoundments. Food consists of worms, fly larvae, beetles, crustaceans, mollusks, and other invertebrates. The plovers prefer open shoreline areas, and vegetated beaches are avoided. It also eats various small invertebrates. It obtains food from surface of substrate, or occasionally probes into sand or mud.

Destruction of habitat, disturbance and increased predation rates due to elevated predator densities in piping plover habitat are described as the main reasons for this species' endangered status and continue to be the primary threats to its recovery. The remaining populations,

whether on the breeding or wintering grounds, mostly inhabit public or undeveloped beaches. These populations are vulnerable to predation and disturbance.

Research of available material finds that the primary cause for the population decreases leading to threatened or endangered status for these species is destruction of habitat. Issuance of the permit will have no effect on this species, in that the discharge is not expected to lead to the destruction of habitat.

## **RED KNOT (Calidris canutus)**

Red Knot is a medium-sized shorebird and the largest of the "peeps" in North America, and one of the most colorful. It makes one of the longest yearly migrations of any bird, traveling 15,000 km (9,300 mile) from its Arctic breeding grounds to Tierra del Fuego in southern South America.

Their diet varies according to season; arthropods and larvae are the preferred food items at the breeding grounds, while various hard-shelled molluscs are consumed at other feeding sites at other times.

The Red Knot nests on the ground, near water, and usually inland. The nest is a shallow scrape lined with leaves, lichens and moss. Males construct three to five nest scrapes in their territories prior to the arrival of the females. The female lays three or more usually four eggs, apparently laid over the course of six days. Both parents incubate the eggs, sharing the duties equally. The incubation period last around 22 days.

The birds have become threatened as a result of commercial harvesting of horseshoe crabs in the Delaware Bay which began in the early 1990s. Delaware Bay is a critical stopover point during spring migration; the birds refuel by eating the eggs laid by these crabs (with little else to eat in the Delaware Bay).

The Environmental Protection Agency has evaluated the potential effects of issuance of this permit upon listed endangered or threatened species. After review, EPA has determined that this issuance of this permit will have "*no effect*" on listed threatened and endangered species nor will adversely modify designated critical habitat. EPA makes this determination based on the following:

- 1. No pollutants are identified by the permittee-submitted application at levels which might affect species habitat or prey species. Issuance of this permit is found to have no impact on the habitats of these species.
- 2. Based on information described above, EPA Region 6 has determined that discharges proposed to be authorized by the proposed permit will have no effect on the listed species in Harris County.

The standard reopener clause in the permit will allow EPA to reopen the permit and impose additional limitations if it is determined that changes in species or knowledge of the discharge would require different permit conditions.

Operators have an independent ESA obligation to ensure that any of their activities do not result in prohibited "take" of listed species. Section 9 of the ESA prohibits any person from "taking" a listed species, e.g., harassing or harming it, with limited exceptions. See ESA Sec 9;

16 U.S.C. §1538. This prohibition generally applies to "any person," including private individuals, businesses and government entities. Operators who intend to undertake construction activities in areas that harbor endangered and threatened species may seek protection from potential "take" liability under ESA section 9 either by obtaining an ESA section 10 permit or by requesting coverage under an individual permit and participating in the section 7 consultation process with the appropriate FWS or NMFS office. Operators unsure of what is needed for such liability protection should confer with the appropriate Services.

## XII. HISTORICAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL PRESERVATION CONSIDERATIONS

This permit modification should have no impact on historical and/or archeological sites since no significant historical and/or archeological preservation are encountered during construction and development of the property.

## XIII. PERMIT REOPENER

The permit may be reopened and modified during the life of the permit if relevant portions of the Texas WQS are revised or remanded. In addition, the permit may be reopened and modified during the life of the permit if relevant procedures implementing the WQS are either revised or promulgated. Should the State adopt a new WQS, and/or develop a TMDL, this permit may be reopened to establish effluent limitations for the parameter(s) to be consistent with that approved State standard and/or water quality management plan, in accordance with 40 CFR §122.44(d). Modification of the permit is subject to the provisions of 40 CFR §124.5.

## XIV. VARIANCE REQUESTS

No variance requests have been received.

## **XV. COMPLIANCE HISTORY**

This is a modification of an existing permit issued April 22, 2020. The permit compliance history will not be reviewed at this time since the permit was recently issued and EPA does not have enough compliance data to review.

## XVI. CERTIFICATION

This permit is in the process of certification by the Texas Railroad Commission following regulations promulgated at 40 CFR 124.53. A draft permit and draft public notice will be sent to the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers; to the Regional Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and to the National Marine Fisheries Service prior to the publication of that notice.

## XVII. FINAL DETERMINATION

The public notice describes the procedures for the formulation of final determinations.

## XVIII. ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

The following information was used to develop the proposed permit:

## A. APPLICATION

NPDES Application for Permit to Discharge, Form 1 & 2E, received on November 26, 2019.

B. State of Texas References

The State of Texas Water Quality Inventory, 13th Edition, Publication No. SFR-50, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, December 1996.

"Procedures to Implement the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards via Permitting," Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, June 2010.

2018 EPA-approved Texas Water Quality Standards, Texas Administrative Code (TAC), 30 TAC Sections 307.1 - 307.9, effective May 19, 2020.

C. Endangered Species References

## http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/huntwild/wild/species/txprdawn/

http://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/wizard/chooseLocation!prepare.action

D. 40 CFR CITATIONS

Sections 122, 124, 125, 133, and 136

E. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Brent Larsen, Chief, Lashunda Brown, EPA, to Mr. Steve Moyer, Environmental Specialist, Magellan East Houston Terminal Pipeline Company dated January 15, 2020, informing applicant that its NPDES application received November 26, 2020, is administratively complete.