EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER - CASE No. 50394 Geronimo Casabon RN107206658

Docket No. 2015-0605-LII-E

Order Type:

Default Order

Media:

LII

Small Business:

Yes

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

1700 Burton Drive, Apartment 166, Austin, Travis County

Type of Operation:

unlicensed landscape irrigator

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: None Past-Due Penalties: None Past-Due Fees: None Other: None Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: June 17, 2016

Comments Received: None

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$262

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$0

Total Due to General Revenue: \$262

Compliance History Classifications:

 $\begin{array}{l} Person/\,CN\,-N/\,A\\ Site/\,RN\,-\,N/\,A \end{array}$

Major Source: No

Statutory Limit Adjustment: None

Applicable Penalty Policy: April 2014

Geronimo Casabon RN107206658

Docket No. 2015-0605-LII-E

Investigation Information

Complaint Date(s): March 13, 2014

Complaint information: Alleged that Respondent was advertising irrigation services on a

business card without a license number listed on the card.

Date(s) of Investigation: February 23, 2015

Date(s) of NOV(s):

Date(s) of NOE(s):

March 31, 2015

Violation Information

Advertised or represented himself to the public as a holder of a license or registration without possessing a license or current registration or employing an individual who holds a current license or registration [Tex. Water Code § 37.003 and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 30.5(b)].

Corrective Actions/ Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

None

Technical Requirements:

- 1. Immediately cease advertising irrigation services until properly licensed or until employing an individual who holds a current license.
- 2. Within 15 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance.

<u>Litigation Information</u>

Date Petition(s) Filed: January 27, 2016; February 23, 2016

Date Green Card(s) Signed: Unclaimed; Unclaimed

Date Answer(s) Filed: N/A

Contact Information

TCEQ Attorneys: Jim Sallans, Litigation Division, (512) 239-3400

Lena Roberts, Litigation Division, (512) 239-3400

Rudy Calderon, Public Interest Counsel, (512) 239-6363

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Amancio R. Gutierrez, Enforcement Division, (512) 239-3921

TCEQ Regional Contact: Carolyn Runyon, Austin Regional Office, (512) 339-2929

Respondent Contact: Geronimo Casabon, 1700 Burton Drive, Apartment 166, Austin, Texas 78741

Respondent's Attorney: N/A

Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

PAYABLE PENALTY

PCW Revision March 26, 2014 Policy Revision 4 (April 2014) Assigned 6-Apr-2015 Screening 16-Apr-2015 **PCW** 26-Jan-2016 **EPA Due** RESPONDENT/ FACILITY INFORMATION Respondent Geronimo Casabon Reg. Ent. Ref. No. RN107206658 Facility/ Site Region 11-Austin Major/ Minor Source Minor **CASE INFORMATION** Enf./ Case I D No. 50394 No. of Violations 1 Docket No. 2015-0605-LII-E Order Type 1660 Media Program(s) Irrigators Government/ Non-Profit No Multi-Media Enf. Coordinator Amancio R. Gutierrez EC's Team Enforcement Team 5 Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum Maximum \$5,000 Penalty Calculation Section TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties) \$250 Subtotal 1 ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1 Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage. Subtotals 2, 3, & 7 Compliance History 5.0% Enhancement \$12 Notes Enhancement for one NOV with same/similar violations. Culpability No 0.0% Subtotal 4 \$0 Enhancement The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria. Notes Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments Subtotal 5 \$0 **Economic Benefit** Subtotal 6 \$0 0.0% Enhancement* Total EB Amounts Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount Estimated Cost of Compliance **SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7** Final Subtotal \$262 OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE 0.0% Adjustment \$0 Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage. Notes Final Penalty Amount \$262 STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT Final Assessed Penalty \$262 **DEFERRAL** Reduction \$0 0.0% Adjustment Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage. (Enter number only; e.g. 20 for 20% reduction) Deferral not offered for non-expedited settlement. Notes

\$262

Policy Revision 4 (April 2014)

PCW Revision March 26, 2014

Screening Date 16-Apr-2015

Respondent Geronimo Casabon

Case I D No. 50394

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN107206658

Media [Statute] Irrigators

Enf. Coordinator Amancio R. Gutierrez

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	Other	Participation in	a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%		
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	Economic Benefit Worksheet						
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Reg. Ent. Reference No.	BN107206658						
	Irrigators						Years of
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Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/ Construction				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00		n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0 \$0	n/a n/a	\$0
Training/ Sampling Remediation/ Disposal				0.00	\$0 \$0	n/a n/a	\$0 \$0
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Other (as needed)	\$50	23-Feb-2015	31-Oct-2015	0.68	\$0 \$2	n/a	\$2
Notes for DELAYED costs	Estimated cost to cease advertising irrigation services until properly licensed or until employing an individual who holds a current license. The Date Required is the date of the record review and the Final Date is the estimated date of compliance.					and the Final	
Avoided Costs	ANNUAL	ZE [1] avoided	costs before	nterir	ng item (except i	for one-time avoid	ded costs)
Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/ Reporting/ Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/ Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Notes for AVOIDED costs							
Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$50			TOTAL		\$2

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Compliance History Report

PUBLISHED Compliance History Report for CN604552166, RN107206658, Rating Year 2014 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2009, through August 31, 2014.

Customer, Respondent, CN604552166, Geronimo Casabon Classification: NOT APPLICABLE Rating: N/A

or Owner/ Operator:

Classification: NOT APPLICABLE Rating: N/A Regulated Entity: RN107206658, Casabon, Geronimo

Complexity Points: N/A Repeat Violator: N/A

CH Group: 14 - Other

Location: 1700 BURTON DR APT 166 AUSTIN, TX 78741-2912, TRAVIS COUNTY

TCEQ Region: **REGION 11 - AUSTIN**

ID Number(s): WASTEWATER LICENSING NON LICENSED ID NUMBER R11107206658

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2009 to August 31, 2014 Rating Year: 2014 Rating Date: 09/01/2014

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: April 22, 2015 Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement Component Period Selected: April 22, 2010 to April 22, 2015

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.

Name: Amancio R. Gutierrez Phone: (512) 239-3921

Site and Owner/ Operator History:

1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period? YES

2) Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period? NO

3) If **YES** for #2, who is the current owner/operator? N/A

4) If **YES** for #2, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? N/A

5) If YES, when did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? N/A

Components (Multimedia) for the Site Are Listed in Sections A - J

A. Final Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees:

B. Criminal convictions:

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

D. The approval dates of investigations (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

N/A

E. Written notices of violations (NOV) (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

A notice of violation represents a written allegation of a violation of a specific regulatory requirement from the commission to a regulated entity. A notice of violation is not a final enforcement action, nor proof that a violation has actually occurred.

Date: 01/09/2015 (1159719)

Self Report? NO Classification: Major

30 TAC Chapter 344, SubChapter G 344.70(b) Citation:

Description: Failure to display a Licensed Irrigator's (LI) name and number on all forms of advertisements including electronic

media. On February 23, 2015, A Notice of Violation file review was conducted. It was noted Mr. Casabon did not

meet the corrective action deadline.

F. Environmental audits:

N/A

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):

H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates:

Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program:

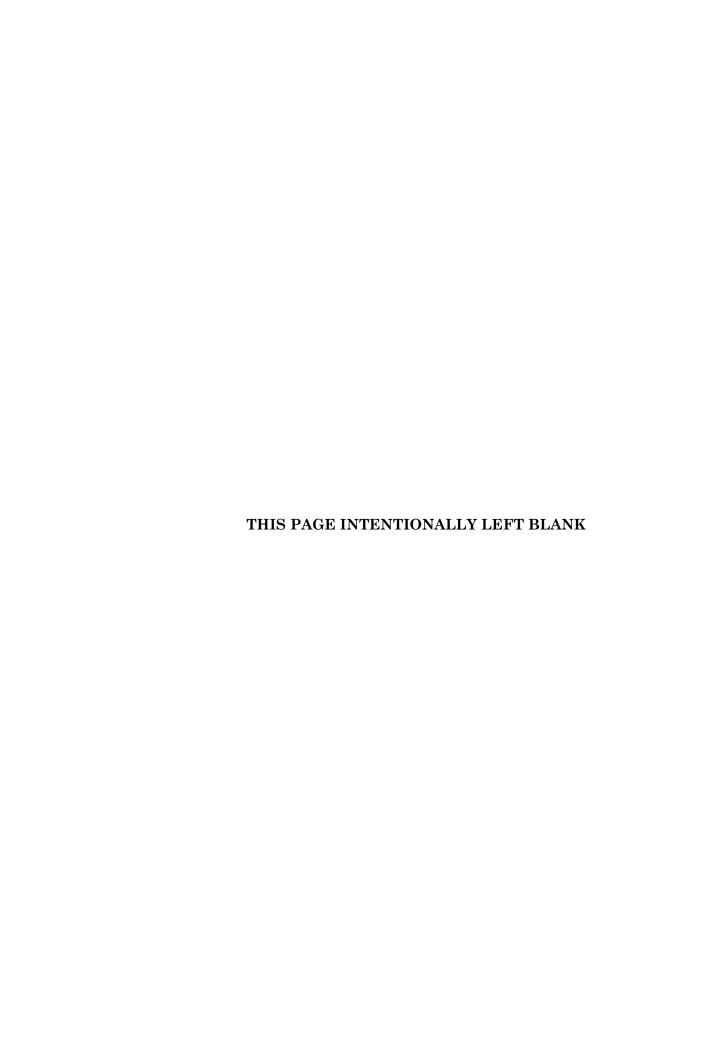
N/A

J. Early compliance:

N/A

Sites Outside of Texas:

N/A



TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	§	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
GERONIMO CASABON;	§	
RN107206658	8	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

DEFAULT ORDER

DOCKET NO. 2015-0605-LII-E

On	_, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
("Commission" or "TCEQ") consid	dered the Executive Director's Preliminary Report and
Petition, filed pursuant to TEX. W	ATER CODE chs. 7 and 37, Tex. Occ. Code ch. 1903,
and the rules of the TCEQ, which	requests appropriate relief, including the imposition
of an administrative penalty and	corrective action of the respondent. The respondent
made the subject of this Order is	s Geronimo Casabon ("Respondent").

The Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent owns and operates a business located at 1700 Burton Drive, Apartment 166 in Austin, Travis County, Texas (the "Business") and sells, designs, offers consultations regarding, installs, maintains, alters, repairs, and/or services landscape irrigation systems, for which Respondent is required to be licensed under Tex. Water Code ch. 37 and Tex. OCC. Code ch. 1903. Therefore, Respondent is subject to TCEQ jurisdiction pursuant to Tex. Water Code ch. 37 and Tex. Occ. Code ch. 1903.
- 2. During a record review investigation conducted on February 23, 2015, an investigator documented that Respondent advertised or represented himself to the public as a holder of a license or registration without possessing a license or current registration or employing an individual who holds a current license or registration.
- 3. The Executive Director filed the "Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition Recommending that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enter an Enforcement Order Assessing an Administrative Penalty Against and Requiring Certain Actions of Geronimo Casabon" (the "EDPRP") in the TCEQ Chief Clerk's office on January 27, 2016.
- 4. The EDPRP was mailed to Respondent's last known address on January 27, 2016, via certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid. The United States Postal Service returned the EDPRP sent by certified mail as "unclaimed."
- 5. The Executive Director re-filed the EDPRP in the TCEQ Chief Clerk's office on February 23, 2016.
- 6. By letter dated February 23, 2016, sent to Respondent's last known address via certified mail, return receipt requested, and via first class mail, postage

prepaid, the Executive Director served the Respondent with notice of the EDPRP. The United States Postal Service returned the EDPRP sent by certified mail as "unclaimed." The first class mail has not been returned, indicating that Respondent received notice of the EDPRP.

7. More than 20 days have elapsed since Respondent received notice of the EDPRP. Respondent failed to file an answer and failed to request a hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 1, Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEQ pursuant to Tex. WATER CODE ch. 37, Tex. Occ. Code ch. 1903, and the rules of the TCEQ.
- 2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2, Respondent advertised or represented himself to the public as a holder of a license or registration without possessing a license or current registration or employing an individual who holds a current license or registration, in violation of Tex. WATER CODE § 37.003 and 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 30.5(b).
- 3. As evidenced by Findings of Fact Nos. 3 through 6, the Executive Director timely served Respondent with proper notice of the EDPRP, as required by TEX. WATER CODE § 7.055 and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.104(c)(2).
- 4. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 7, Respondent failed to file a timely answer as required by Tex. Water Code § 7.056 and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.105. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 7.057 and 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.106, the Commission may enter a Default Order against Respondent and assess the penalty recommended by the Executive Director.
- 5. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 7.051, the Commission has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against Respondent for violations of state statutes within TCEQ's jurisdiction, for violations of rules adopted under such statutes, or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
- 6. An administrative penalty in the amount of two hundred sixty-two dollars (\$262.00) is justified by the facts recited in this Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in Tex. WATER CODE § 7.053.
- 7. Tex. Water Code §§ 5.102 and 7.002 authorize the Commission to issue orders and make determinations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the statutes within its jurisdiction.

ORDERING PROVISIONS

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ORDERS that:

1. Respondent is assessed an administrative penalty in the amount of two hundred sixty-two dollars (\$262.00) for violations of state statutes and rules of the TCEQ. The payment of this penalty and Respondent's compliance with all the requirements set forth in this Order resolve only the matters set forth by this Order in this action. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner

from requiring corrective actions or penalties for violations which are not raised here.

2. The penalty assessed by this Order shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Order. All checks submitted to pay the penalty imposed by this Order shall be made out to TCEQ and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Geronimo Casabon: Docket No. 2015-0605-LII-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214 P.O. Box 13088 Austin, Texas 78711-3088

- 3. Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
 - a. Immediately upon the effective date of this Order, cease advertising irrigation services until properly licensed or until employing an individual who holds a current license, in accordance with 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE ch. 30.
 - b. Within 15 days after the effective date of this Order, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision No. 3.a. The certification shall be accompanied by detailed supporting documentation, including photographs, receipts, and/or other records, shall be signed by Respondent, and shall include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The written certification and supporting documentation necessary to demonstrate compliance with these Ordering Provisions shall be sent to:

Order Compliance Team Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enforcement Division, MC 149A P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

and:

FOSD Water Program, Team Leader Landscape Irrigation Program, MC 174 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

- 4. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
- 5. The provisions of this Order shall apply to and be binding upon Respondent. Respondent is ordered to give notice of this Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Business operations referenced in this Order.
- 6. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.
- 7. If Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Order. Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
- 8. The Executive Director may refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings without notice to Respondent if the Executive Director determines that Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Order.
- 9. The provisions of this Order are deemed severable, and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.
- 10. This Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Order, whichever is later.
- 11. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this fully executed Order to each of the parties. By law, the effective date of this Order shall be the date the Order is final, as provided by 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.106(d) and Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.144.

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SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission	Date

AFFIDAVIT OF JIM SALLANS

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF TRAVIS

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"My name is Jim Sallans. I am of sound mind, capable of making this affidavit, and the facts stated in this affidavit are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

On behalf of the Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the "Executive Director's Preliminary Report and Petition Recommending that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Enter an Enforcement Order Assessing an Administrative Penalty Against and Requiring Certain Actions of Geronimo Casabon" (the "EDPRP") was filed in the TCEQ Chief Clerk's office on January 27, 2016.

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More than 20 days have elapsed since Respondent received notice of the EDPRP. Respondent failed to file an answer and failed to request a hearing."

Jim Sallans, \$taff Attorney

Office of Legal Services, Litigation Division Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Jim Sallans, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration herein expressed.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 10th day of May, A.D. 2016.

Notary without Bond