

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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May 5, 2010

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Clerk of the Board, Environmental Appeals Board 1341 G Street, N.W., Suite 600 Washington, D.C. 20005

Re: San Jacinto River Authority NPDES permit appeal no. 09-09

Dear Clerk of the Board:

Attached for electronic filing in the above referenced matter is Respondent's Unopposed Motion for a Change in Date of Oral Argument.

Thomas David Gillespie

Assistant Regional Counsel, Region 6

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C.

In the Matter of:)) Appeal No. NPDES 09-09
San Jacinto River Authority)))
Permit No. TX0054186)))

RESPONDENT'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A CHANGE IN DATE OF ORAL ARGUMENT

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6 (Respondent) respectfully requests that the Environmental Appeals Board (Board) change the date of oral argument in this case from June 10, 2010, to June 7, 2010. The Board set the June 10, 2010 oral argument date in this Petition by order dated April 14, 2010. This change in date would allow counsel for Respondent to have their expert for all matters in this case, Mr. Phillip Jennings, to attend the oral argument so that he may provide technical information to Respondent's counsel.

Respondent believes that his attendance and available technical expertise would be very helpful to Respondent to provide a thorough oral argument on technical matters in this case. Mr.

Jennings is on vacation in Hawaii from June 8, 2010, until June 30, 2010. Mr. Jennings made these travel arrangements on December 16, 2009, and cannot change them without significant hardship. Attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 1 is the travel itinerary for Mr. Jennings. The technical expertise of Mr. Jennings is detailed in his resume, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 2. If June 7, 2010, is not

acceptable to the Board, Mr. Jennings will be available for attending oral argument after July 1, 2010.

The attorney for the Respondent has contacted the attorney for the Petitioner by phone and the attorney for the Petitioner indicated that the Petitioner does not oppose this request for a change of date to June 7, 2010. The attorney for the Respondent further indicated that they will have two of their own experts attending the oral argument. Therefore, the Respondent believes it will be imperative to also have an expert in attendance.

For the reasons set forth above, the Respondent respectfully requests that the Environmental Appeals Board change the date for oral argument to June 7, 2010, or in the alternative, to a date after July 1, 2010. Based on a telephone discussion with the attorney for Petitioner, it is the Respondent's understanding that the Petitioner's experts may have conflicts after July 1, 2010, and that the Petitioner expects to file a response to this motion, including dates that would be available after July 1, 2010.

Respectfully submitted this 5th day of May, 2010.

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 5th day of May, 2010, copies of the foregoing were served upon Lauren Kalisek, attorney for the San Jacinto River Authority, and to the Clerk of the Board, Environmental Appeals Board, as indicated below.

Thomas David Gillespie

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EXHIBIT 1

American Airlines'

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Reservation Details

Record Locator KFYIDM

Your record locator is your reservation confirmation number and will be needed to retrieve or reference your reservation.

Status On Request -Dec 16, 2009

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Your Notifications

Contact Notification Summary		Actions	
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Fare Summary

Passenger Type Used in Pricing	Fare per Person	Additional Taxes and Fees per Person	Total Price				
2 Adolf	570.00 USD	53,00 USD	1246.00 USD				
		Total Price	1246.00 USD				

Summary Details

Reminder:

- If your itinerary contains international flights, it is the sole responsibility of each passenger in the itinerary to have the proper documents for entry/re-entry into a country. To obtain documentation requirements, contact the embassy or consulate of all countries involved in your itinerary, including all countries in which you may be transiting. You can also contact your international carrier(s) for further information on documentation requirements, embargoes, travel advisories and/or additional requirements that may apply to the country or countries in your itinerary. Passengers will need to present itinerary and Receipt (I & R) to an immigration officer upon request.
- Some fares purchased on AAdvantage participating airlines are not eligible for mileage accrual. View eligible bookingcodes and mileage accrual rates by airlines at www.aa.com/participantairlines.
- American Airlines will restrict boarding pass issuance when any uncollected Change Fees involving an itinerary change
 exist. To avoid any inconvenience to you, we encourage you to satisfy Change Fee collection with Reservations or your
 travel agent at the time the itinerary change is made.
- To expedite check-in, gate locations at airports will accept credit cards only. Passengers with Electronic tickets on international flights will need to present the litnerary and Receipt (1 & R) to an immigration officer upon request. If your I & R are not received by mail or post prior to departure, you will need to request one in person at the ticket counter.
- Many common items used every day in the home or workplace may be considered dangerous when transported in baggage by air. You must declare your dangerous goods to the airline. Failure to do so violates U.S. Federal Law.

CLOSEWINDOW

EXHIBIT 2

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Environmental Scientist; GS-1301-14, Supervisor – Claudia Hosch, Associate Division Director, Water Quality Protection Division

EXPERIENCE (06/1991 to Present)

- Development and critical evaluation of national, regional and state issues related to
 industrial and municipal wastewater and development of NPDES permit strategies and
 controls for EPA Region 6 Office. Assisted or developed EPA Regional strategies to
 control toxicity related to total dissolved solids, organophosphate pesticides and
 ammonia, and the national strategy to control effects of pathogenic bacteria in WET tests.
- Review and provide comment/technical support on over 150 toxicity reduction
 evaluations (TREs), toxicant identification Evaluations (TIEs), and thousands of whole
 effluent toxicity (WET) tests performed for purposes of NPDES permit compliance. This
 includes resolving toxicity issues related to single and multiple toxicants such as organic
 compounds, metals, chlorine, ammonia, total dissolved solids (TDS), ionic imbalances,
 pesticides and housekeeping practices.
- Develop all the basic NPDES permit languages for EPA Region 6 and its States.
- Review and comment on State water quality standards and implementation procedures submitted to EPA for approval.
- Develop and provide training for the EPA Regions, States and the regulated community, as well as for international audiences. I am a recognized regional, national and international technical expert on wastewater permitting to preclude toxic effects to aquatic life in waters of the United States, including development of testing manual requirements, test design, regulatory and enforcement issues and program defense against challenges. EPA Technical Expert in litigation and NPDES permit challenges, work with the public, the regulated community, contractors, labs and attorneys on State, regional and national and international bases to facilitate non-confrontational implementation of complex and contentious program requirements. I am an authorized US EPA Enforcement Officer.
- Work with US EPA HQ and the Region 6 States to bring NPDES permits into full
 compliance with federal regulations with regards to establishing limits on whole effluent
 toxicity (WET) for sub-lethal effects as well as lethal effects, where it is determined that
 reasonable potential to cause or contribute to an exceedance of a State narrative criterion
 for the protection of aquatic life exists.
- Peer Review of "Development of Salinity Toxicity Relationships for Produced Water Discharges" for ENSR Laboratories.

- Peer review of current state-of-the-art book and CD, "Toxicity Reduction Evaluations (TRE) and Toxicity Identification Evaluations (TIE) For Effluents, Ambient Waters, and Other Aqueous Media", published November, 2005, by the Society of Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC).
- Member of the Water Environment Research Foundation Project Committee for the product document "Navigating the TMDL Process: Method Development for Addressing Narrative Criteria", published 12/03.

PRESENTATIONS and TRAINING SEMINARS

Developed and presented numerous talks across the US with on WET testing, how and when to perform toxicity reduction evaluations and/or toxicity identification evaluations, including toxicity related to total dissolved solids and ionic imbalances.

Developed and presented over 60 toxicity training courses (durations of 1-8 days) across the US (1996 - present), Africa (2009), Thailand (2007), South Korea (2007) South America (1999, 2001, 2008) and Cuba (2002), and have assisted with toxicity testing, program development and training course development for Japan, Israel, Chile, Brazil and Jamaica.

I have been a member of the Whole Effluent Toxicity Expert Training Panel for the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC) since its inception in 1995.

EDUCATION

Thomas Jefferson, San Antonio, TX; 1966 High School Diploma Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX; BS in Biology, 1987 Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX; MA in Biology, Aquatic Emphasis, 1989

Selected Technical Document Development

- 1. Alternate Testing Procedures for NPDES Permits, national regulation development workgroup member (2007-2008)
- 2. MicroTox as an Alternate WET Test Procedure, national review panel member (2006-2008)
- 3. Final review/comment and revisions to WET Methods manuals, US EPA, "Methods for Measuring the Acute Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater and Marine Organisms, 5th Ed."; "Short-Term Methods For Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Water to Freshwater Organisms, 4th Ed."; and "Short-Term Methods For Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Water to Marine and Estuarine Organisms, 3rd Ed."
- 4. Final review/comment and revisions to "Understanding and Accounting for Method Variability in Whole Effluent Toxicity Applications Under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program", (EPA 833-R-00-003, June 2000).
- 5. Clarifications Regarding Toxicity Reduction and Identification Evaluations in the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program US EPA Office of Water, Coauthor, (March 2001)