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ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON

Join the City of Grand Prairie's Environmental Quality staff on Wednesday, September 25, in recognizing Grand Prairie industries for excellence in environmental compliance. The luncheon will be held from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm at the Ruthe Jackson Center located at 3113 S. Carrier Parkway.

David James will be discussing Pollution Prevention strategies. Mr. James recently retired from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) after 26 years of service. He currently provides wastewater training and consulting services to local governments, businesses and industries, and environmental consultants.

To register, or for more information, contact Jody Cason at (972) 237-8070 or jcason@gptx.org, or fax your registration form to (972) 237-8228.

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RECOGNIZED 2020
INDUSTRY PROGRAM

WATER. THE ORIGINAL ENERGY DRINK

Visit any local convenience store and there is a multitude of energy drinks for sale. They come in a variety of sizes from 24 oz. or 500 mL cans down to energy shots. Many people reach for one of their favorite coffees or iced tea for their morning jolt. Coffee and tea were brewed since ancient times, but are still relatively recent discoveries.

The original stimulus drink is now bottled more than at any time in history. It's low calorie, diet friendly, and readily accessible. It can be enjoyed on the rocks, straight up, or with a twist. It's water! Water, the original stimulus drink, is consumed across the globe. Athletes and dieters drink large quantities of water to help burn fat more efficiently. Drinking cold water is shown to make your body burn more calories. It is seen not only as a necessity for hydration, but as the cure all.

Ice, the solid form of water, is frequently eaten by hospital patients and those impacted by sea sickness with good effect. Many people also take ice bathes, cold shower, or enter cryo chambers to help ease the pain of sore muscles and joint arthritis. The 'stress' an ice bath has on your body has been shown to have deeper health benefits than just sore muscles, as it triggers positive hormonal releases as well.

So the next time you're looking for a stimulus drink, grab an ice cold water, and rejoin the revolution.

INDUSTRIAL STORMWATER TOOLS

Are you an operator of a facility that conducts activities or uses materials that have the potential to impact the quality of Texas' waters? Your facility may be subject to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) permit authorization to discharge stormwater.

TCEQ mandates the Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Multi-Sector General (MSGP) permit that requires facilities to examine potential sources of pollution, implement measures to reduce the risk of stormwater contamination, and test stormwater discharges for sources of pollution. The most recent TPDES Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) for stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity became effective on Aug. 14, 2016. This five-year permit will expire in August 2021. Under the Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP), facilities are required to conduct following activities to assess the effectiveness of their efforts in reducing pollution in stormwater runoff:

| Periodic inspections | Annual Comprehensive inspections | Quarterly Visual Monitoring | Quarterly Visual Monitoring for Certain Industrial Activities | Submit Discharge Monitoring Reports |

For more information visit: https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assistance/water/stormwater/sw-industrial.html or https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/assistance/sblga/sampling_guide.pdf

TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The Texas Environmental Excellence Awards honor achievements in environmental preservation and protection. There are ten award categories that provide businesses and organizations an opportunity to be recognized for their environmental projects. The categories are as follows: Agriculture, Civic/Community, Education, Environmental Educator of the Year, Individual, Innovative Operations/Management, Pollution Prevention, Technical/Technology, Water Conservation, and Youth. The deadline for applying is September 27, 2019. For more information or if you or your organization has a project you would like to submit, please visit www.TEEA.org.

ARCH- REVIEW AND CORRECT YOUR TCEQ COMPLIANCE HISTORY

TCEQ is giving industries the opportunity to comment and possibly correct their compliance history. Registering for the Advanced Review of the Compliance History (ARCH) web-based program can be done only during the month of August. Then, beginning on September 15, customers (CNs) will have 30 days to review their compliance history and submit comments, request or corrections. The TCEQ will take this input into consideration and, if deemed appropriate, modify your industry's compliance history rating and classification. So, if you believe your company's history is inaccurate, sign up for ARCH in August and make your case in September!

Here's the link to the online application: https://www2.tceq.texas.gov/ch/archsignup/

For further assistance, you can contact the TCEQ at (512) 239-2724, or by e-mail at comphist@tceq.texas.gov.

Congratulations to the following Grand Prairie industries for achieving 100% compliance during the 2018-2019 pretreatment year. These companies are recognized for compliance with their wastewater discharge permit effluent limits and reporting requirements, as well as, storm water and cross connection device requirements. Your commitment is appreciated!

- A. Zahner Company
- ABC Compounding
- Breg, Inc.
- Control Products Corporation
- International Paper – Bag Plant
- International Paper – Box Plant
- Lockheed Martin Missiles & Fire Control Southwest 14th Street Facility
- Lockheed Martin Shook
- Pratt & Whitney Services, Inc. – 1174
- Pratt & Whitney Services, Inc. – 1177
- TPW Metal Finishing
- Triumph Accessory Services – Grand Prairie

The Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), originally passed by the United States Congress in 1976 and recently amended in 2016, authorizes the EPA to regulate new and existing chemical substances and mixtures. The amendment requires USEPA to conduct risk-based assessments with respect to human health and the environment based on technical data provided by chemical manufacturers, importers and processors, and for the EPA to maintain and update a publically accessible database of the TSCA chemical inventory, which currently includes over 83,000 chemicals. Reviews of 2,217 submittals have been completed since enactment of the amendment. Further information regarding the TSCA amendment and statistics can be found at: https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/frank-r-lautenberg-chemical-safety-21st-century-act

Texas Trouble

A metal recycling plant in Tarrant County was assessed $2,625 for failing to prevent nuisance smoke conditions and failing to comply with the visible emissions opacity limit of 30% for any six-minute period.

A crematory in Bexar County was assessed $4,538 for failing to submit an initial notification within 24 hours after the discovery of an excess opacity event and failing to prevent an excess opacity event.

Environmental Compliance Meeting Registration Form

Environmental Awards Luncheon
Ruthe Jackson Center
3113 S. Carrier Parkway

Wednesday, September 25, 2019, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Company Name:_____

Address: _____

Telephone:_____

Attendees: _____

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