

PROPOSED GENERAL PERMIT MODIFICATION FOR DISCHARGES FROM THE  
OIL AND GAS EXTRACTION POINT SOURCE  
TO COASTAL WATERS OF TEXAS AND  
ONSHORE STRIPPER WELL CATEGORY EAST OF THE 98<sup>TH</sup> MERIDIAN  
(Permit No. TXG330000)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Region 6  
1445 Ross Ave.  
Dallas, TX 75202

## **AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM**

In compliance with the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq: the "Act"), this permit regulates discharges from existing source and New Source oil and gas wells in the Coastal Subcategory of the Oil and Gas Extraction Point Source Category (40 CFR 435, Subpart D) in Texas. In addition, this permit regulates the discharge of produced water from the Stripper Subcategory (40 CFR 435, Subpart F) wells to waters of Texas. This permit prohibits the discharge of Offshore Subcategory produced water to coastal waters. The discharges are regulated in accordance with effluent limitations and other conditions set forth in Parts I and II of this permit.

In order for discharges to be authorized by this permit, operators must submit either a written or an electronic notification to the Regional Administrator that they intend to be covered (See Part I.A.2). Operators who fail to notify the Regional Administrator of intent to be covered are not authorized to discharge under this general permit.

Facilities which may adversely affect properties listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places are not authorized to discharge under this permit, unless such effects have been addressed in a written agreement with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO).

This permit modification shall become effective at midnight, Central Time on

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight, Central Time, July 30, 2017.

Signed this date:

William K. Honker, P.E.  
Director  
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EPA Region 6