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To: Rules Coordinator

Subject: Comments on Proposed Changes to 16 TAC §3.8 and §3.57, and 16 TAC Chapter 4

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Dear Rules Coordinator Texas Railroad Commission,

I am writing as a concerned Texan to give suggestions on the informal draft amendments to Statewide Rule 8 and Chapter 4.

I offer these suggestions with the goals of better protecting the health of Texans and our environment and lessening the burden on the public in protecting our communities.

I urge the Commission to require a more open, transparent and participatory permitting process, with good public notice and opportunity to present information, to impose on the applicant the burden of showing that a given project protects human and environmental health, to require safe setbacks from adjoining sites, to track and share compliance histories, to carry through with strict and timely enforcement with meaningful penalties, to openly share applicant data, including comments, and to restrict and reduce exemptions.

I hope to see the Railroad Commission incorporate this feedback in the final SWR8 Waste Pits rule as the protection of our collective health & safety along with the protection of our environment is of utmost importance to me. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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