

# Flare/Vent Exceptions (SWR 32) Query

## User Guide

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## About the Flare/Vent Exceptions (SWR 32) Query

The Commission's Statewide Rule 32 states that all gas from any oil well, gas well, gas gathering system, gas plant or other gas handling equipment shall be utilized for purposes and uses authorized by law. Rule 32 allows an operator to flare gas while drilling a well and for up to 10 days after a well's completion to conduct potential well testing. Rule 32 also allows an operator to request an exception to flare gas in certain circumstances.

The Statewide Rule 32 applicable to flaring and venting exceptions are from the [Texas Administrative Code \(TAC\), Title 16, Part 1, Chapter 3, Rule 32.](#)

For more information about flaring, see [Flaring Regulation FAQs.](#)

The Flare/Vent Exceptions Query allows you to search for applications (Form R-32) that have been submitted for exceptions to Statewide Rule 32. If an exception application has been approved, a copy of the authorized exception information is available in PDF format.

An online system for submitting and processing applications for SWR 32 exceptions was implemented on 05/02/2021. Data is available through the Query for applications submitted through the online system on or after 05/02/2021.

If you have questions regarding the data, please contact the Engineering Unit, Technical Permitting.

# Search Screen Overview



## Application for Exception to Statewide Rule 32

**Search Applications**

Filing Number:

Filing Type:

Authorized Effective Date: From:  To:

Submittal Dt: From:  To:

Authorized Expiration Date: From:  To:

Approval Date: From:  To:

Property Type:

Operator Number:

Site Name:

Flare or Vent Location District:

Flare or Vent Location Name:

Exception Number:

Exception Status:

District:

Property ID:

Operator Name:

Permanent Exception:

Flare or Vent Location County:

SWR 32 (h)(8):

Lease/Plant Name:

Showing 0-0 out of 0 records

Excep/Seq No	Submittal Dt	Filing No	Status	Filing Type	Operator No	Operator Name	Property	Effective Dt	Expiration Dt	F/V District
No results found for search.										

Showing 0-0 out of 0 records

The table below provides descriptions of the core features of the Search screen.

Screen Area	Description
<b>Search Criteria Area</b>	The <b>Search Criteria Area</b> starts at the top of the screen and extends down to the <b>Search</b> and <b>Reset</b> buttons. Enter search criteria in this area.
<b>Search Button</b>	Click <b>Search</b> to run the search.
<b>Reset Button</b>	Click <b>Reset</b> to clear the search criteria. It is important to clear the search criteria before entering new search criteria.
<b>Search Results Grid</b>	Displays the exception application records that match your search criteria. The grid is displayed below the <b>Search</b> and <b>Reset</b> buttons.



# Searching for an Exception Application


## Entering Search Criteria

The screenshot shows the 'Application for Exception to Statewide Rule 32' search interface. It features a 'Search Applications' section with various input fields and dropdown menus. The fields include: Filing Number, Exception Number, Filing Type (dropdown), Exception Status (dropdown), District (dropdown), Authorized Effective Date (From/To date pickers), Submittal Dt (From/To date pickers), Authorized Expiration Date (From/To date pickers), Approval Date (From/To date pickers), Property Type (dropdown), Property ID, Lease/Plant Name, Operator Number, Operator Name, Site Name, Permanent Exception (dropdown), Flare or Vent Location District (dropdown), Flare or Vent Location County (dropdown), Flare or Vent Location Name, and SWR 32 (h)(8) (dropdown). There are 'Search' and 'Reset' buttons at the bottom left. Below the search form is a results grid with columns: Excep/Seq No, Submittal Dt, Filing No, Status, Filing Type, Operator No, Operator Name, Property, Effective Dt, Expiration Dt, and F/V District. The grid currently displays 'Showing 0-0 out of 0 records' and 'No results found for search.'


You can enter one or more of the following search criteria. If you enter or select more than one search criteria, all of them must be true for the application to display in the results grid.

- **Filing Number:** Each application is identified by a unique five-digit number. This search parameter will return one application.
- **Exception Number:** An approved application has an *Exception Number*. If you enter an *Exception Number*, the search results grid will include the original exception and any renewals/amendments for that *Exception Number*.
  - A new exception is assigned a *Sequence Number* of '1'. Example: 50000-1.
  - Each subsequent renewal/amendment for that Exception Number will increment the *Sequence Number* by '1'. For example, if *Exception Number* 50000 was renewed twice, the search results grid will display three application records for *Exception Number* 50000: 50000-1, 50000-2, and 50000-3.
  - Note: the first *Exception Number* issued by the online system is 50000.
- **Filing Type:** Select one from the drop-down list:
  - *New Exception*
  - *Renewal/Amendment*

- **Exception Status:** Current status of the application. Statuses track the workflow from the initial submission to the Commission through approval or denial of the application. You can select one or more statuses.
  - *Submitted* – the application has been submitted to the Commission and is awaiting review.
  - *Under Review* – the application is undergoing administrative review by the Commission.
  - *Returned* – the application has been returned to the filer for correction or additional information.
  - *Hearing Pending* – this status indicates the operator has requested a hearing, and the Commission has assigned a docket number to the case. A hearing can be requested when the application is submitted, or after an application was denied.
  - *Denied* – the application was denied after administrative review or after a hearing.
  - *Approved* – the application was approved after administrative review or after a hearing.
  - *Resubmitted* – the application was resubmitted by the filer after it was returned for correction or additional information.
  - *Cancelled* – the approved exception application was cancelled upon request by the operator or by the Commission.
  - *Hearing Requested* – this status indicates that the operator has requested a hearing after an application was denied. Commission staff updates the status to *Hearing Pending* after they receive the request and assign a docket number to the case.
  - *Cancel Pending* - this status indicates that an approved exception is in the process of being cancelled by the Commission.
- **District:** Railroad Commission (RRC) District where the producing oil or gas property is located. Select one or more districts.
- **Authorized Effective Date:** Enter a date range in the MM/DD/YYYY format or click the calendar icon  to select a date. Both a *From* and *To* date are required.  
This will retrieve approved applications with an exception period that begins on or between the dates entered.
- **Submittal Date:** Enter a date range in the MM/DD/YYYY format or click the calendar icon  to select a date. Both a *From* and *To* date are required. This will retrieve applications that were initially submitted to the Commission on or between the dates entered.

- **Authorized Expiration Date:** Enter a date range in the MM/DD/YYYY format or click the calendar icon  to select a date. Both a *From* and *To* date are required.

This will retrieve approved applications with an exception period that ends on or between the dates entered.

- **Approval Date:** Enter a date range in the MM/DD/YYYY format or click the calendar icon  to select a date. Both a *From* and *To* date are required.

This will retrieve applications that were approved by the Commission on or between the dates entered.

- **Property Type:** The producing oil or gas property associated with the exception application. Select one or more *Property Types*.

- *Commingle Permit*
  - A commingle permit can contain two or more gas leases, drilling permits, or oil leases.
- *Gas Lease*
- *Drilling Permit*
- *Oil Lease*
- *Gas Plant*

- **Property ID:** Enter the Commission-assigned property ID associated with the exception application.

- *Commingle Permit or Gas Plant* – 4 digits
- *Gas Lease or Drilling Permit* – 6 digits
- *Oil Lease* – 5 digits

- **Lease/Plant Name:** The oil or gas lease name or the gas plant name. Drilling Permits are associated with a lease name. Commingle permits are not associated with a name.

**Tip:** The query retrieves records with a *Lease/Plant Name* that matches or begins with the entered text. Enter the first two or more characters of the name.

- **Operator Number:** Enter the P-5 number of the operator associated with the exception application.

- **Operator Name:** Enter the name of the operator associated with the exception application.

**Tip:** The query retrieves records with an *Operator Name* that matches or begins with the entered text. Enter the first two or more characters of the name.

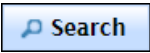
- **Site Name:** The name of the site associated with the exception application.

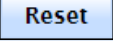
**Tip:** The query retrieves records with a *Site Name* that matches or begins with the entered text. Enter the first two or more characters of the name.

- **Permanent Exception:**
  - Select **Yes** to retrieve only application records that were approved as a permanent exception. Exceptions that are permanent do not have an expiration date.
  - Select **No** to retrieve only application records that were not approved as a permanent exception.
- **Flare or Vent Location District:** Railroad Commission (RRC) District where the flare or vent facility is located. Select one or more districts.
- **Flare or Vent Location County:** Texas county where the flare or vent facility is located. Select one or more counties.
- **Flare or Vent Location Name:** The name associated with the flare or vent facility.
 

**Tip:** The query retrieves records with a *Flare or Vent Location Name* that matches or begins with the entered text. Enter the first two or more characters of the name.
- **SWR 32 (h)(8):**
  - Select **Yes** to retrieve only applications that were filed as a result of a “...full or partial shut-down of a gas gathering system, gas plant, gas compressor or other gas handling facility...” as stated in Statewide Rule 32 (h)(8). The Statewide Rule allows more than one property to be filed on one application if SWR 32 (h)(8) is applicable.
  - Select **No** to retrieve only applications that were not filed as a result a “...full or partial shut-down of a gas gathering system, gas plant, gas compressor or other gas handling facility...” as stated in Statewide Rule 32 (h)(8).

To search for exception application records:








1. Enter one or more criteria.
2. Click the **Search** button . Exception application records that meet the search criteria display in the search results grid.

**Tip:** To clear the search criteria and run a new search, click the **Reset** button  .



## Understanding Search Results

A record will display in the search results grid for each exception application that meets the search criteria.

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	Excep/Seq No	Submittal Dt	Filing No	Status	Filing Type	Operator No	Operator Name	Property	Effective Dt	Expiration Dt	F/V District
 <b>Actions</b>	50568-1	07/09/2021	10729	Approved	New Exception	123456	OG OPERATOR	Commingle Permit-08-8158	07/05/2021	08/03/2021	08
 <b>Actions</b>		07/09/2021	10728	Approved	New Exception	999999	ABC OPERATOR	Commingle Permit-7C-6404	07/04/2021	07/04/2021	7C
 View Application		07/09/2021	10727	Approved	New Exception	999999	ABC OPERATOR	Oil Lease-08-53966	07/03/2021	07/09/2021	08
 View Approved Exception		07/09/2021	10726	Approved	New Exception	999999	ABC OPERATOR	Oil Lease-08-52399	07/03/2021	07/08/2021	08
 <b>Actions</b>	50566-1	07/09/2021	10725	Approved	New Exception	999999	ABC OPERATOR	Oil Lease-08-52434	07/04/2021	07/04/2021	08
 <b>Actions</b>	50563-1	07/09/2021	10724	Approved	New Exception	999999	ABC OPERATOR	Commingle Permit-7C-6366	07/04/2021	07/09/2021	7C
 <b>Actions</b>	50562-1	07/09/2021	10723	Approved	New Exception	999999	ABC OPERATOR	Oil Lease-08-46697	07/04/2021	07/04/2021	08

The **Actions** button displayed to the left of each row contains a *View Application* option. If you click this button, the data that was most recently submitted for the application will display.

If the application has been approved, the **Actions** button will also contain a *View Approved Exception* option. If you click this button, a formatted PDF of the data for the approved exception will display.

# Viewing the Details for an Exception Application

In the search results grid, click the **Open** icon  next to *View Application*.

Showing 1-1 out of 1 records

Excep/Seq No	Submittal Dt	Filing No	Status	Filing Type	Operator No	Operator Name	Property	Effective Dt	Expiration Dt	F/V District
	11/01/2021	12117	Submitted	New Exception	123456	ABC OPERATOR	Oil Lease-08-13440			08

Showing 1-1 out of 1 records

Actions

[View Application](#)

The most for recently submitted data for the application will display.

**Filing Information**

<b>Filing Number:</b>	12117	<b>Exception Number:</b>		<b>Sequence Number:</b>	
<b>Exception Status:</b>	Submitted	<b>Prior Exception No:</b>		<b>Operator:</b>	ABC OPERATOR
<b>Submitted Date:</b>	11/01/2021	<b>Filing Type:</b>	New Exception	<b>Cumulative Days Authorized (incl. prev. periods from mainframe):</b>	

**Exception Information**

<b>Previous exception number not in the online system</b>		<b>Site Name:</b>	UNIVERSITY (WOLFCAMP) BATTERY		
<b>Is the operator aware of the "Recommended Practice" related to flaring in the February 2019 Notice to Operators?</b>	Yes	<b>Hearing Requested:</b>	No		
<b>Exception is for a full or partial shut-down of a gas plant, gas gathering system, etc. as provided for in SWR 32 (h)(8):</b>	Yes	<b>Permanent Exception Requested (Hearing required if volume is greater than 50 MCF/Day)</b>	No		
<b>Requested Effective Date</b>	10/29/2021	<b>Requested Expiration Date</b>	11/03/2021	<b>Number of Days (this request):</b>	6

**Release Requested for:**

<b>Every day of the calendar month:</b>	No	<b>Days per month:</b>	6		
<b>Is this oil and/or gas property connected to a gas gathering or transmission system?</b>	Yes	<b>Distance to nearest pipeline:</b>			

**Property**

<b>Property Type:</b>	Oil Lease	<b>District:</b>	08	<b>Property ID:</b>	13440	<b>Lease Name:</b>	UNIVERSITY
<b>Requested Release Rate (mcf/day)</b>	50						
<b>Gas Measurement Method</b>	Orifice Meter	<b>Other Meter</b>					

**Flare/Vent Locations**

<b>Flare or Vent Name:</b>	UNIVERSITY FLARE	<b>County:</b>	ANDREWS	<b>District:</b>	08
<b>Release Location Outside of Texas:</b>	No	<b>Release Type:</b>	Vent	<b>Release Height (ft above ground):</b>	20
<b>Format:</b>	Decimal Degrees	<b>GPS Datum:</b>	NAD 83		
<b>Degrees (Latitude):</b>	32.22063	<b>Degrees (Longitude):</b>	-102.446		

<b>Is the flare/vent facility Is subject to SWR 36 (hydrogen sulfide (H2S) area):</b>	Yes	<b>H-9 Certificate No.:</b>	114017		
<b>H2S Concentration (ppm):</b>	220				
<b>If subject to SWR 36 (H2S area), distance to public area (ft.):</b>					
<b>Public Area Type:</b>	There is no public area within 1 mile.		<b>Other Public Area:</b>		

**Exception Reasons**

- System Upset (Third Party)

**Attachments**

File Name	File Size	File Type	
A1_11-01-2021-10-12-58_Additional Form- Flare (University Wolfcamp).docx	22153	Attachment is for more than one documentation requirement	<a href="#">View</a>
A2_11-01-2021-10-12-58_60 days gas prod & flare.xlsx	11592	Estimated Gas Production and Disposition	<a href="#">View</a>
SubmitExcpInfo-Filing-12117--11-01-2021.pdf	27036	Submitted SWR32 Form	<a href="#">View</a>

**RRC Review**

<b>Referred to Hearings Date:</b>	<b>Docket/Cases No:</b>	<b>Conference Date:</b>
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The *Property* section lists the producing oil and gas property associated with the exception application. A commingle permit is considered a single property on an SWR 32 exception application. However, a commingle permit is associated with two or more oil leases, gas leases, and/or drilling permits, and these will display on the exception application under the commingle permit information.

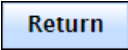
As stated in Statewide Rule 32 (h)(8), two or more commingle permits, oil leases, gas leases, drilling permits, and/or gas plants can be filed on one application. An application is filed under Statewide Rule 32 (h)(8) as a result of a “full or partial shut-down of a gas gathering system, gas plant, gas compressor or other gas handling facility.”

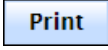
The *Flare/Vent Locations* section lists one or more flare/vent locations for a producing oil and gas property. Multiple properties filed on one application under SWR 32 (h)(8) can have one or more flare/vent locations.

The *Attachments* section contains documentation that was submitted by the filer to support the exception request.

For applications submitted or resubmitted on or after 9/30/2021, the *Attachments* area contains a formatted PDF of the submitted application data. This file is named “SubmitExcpInfo-Filing-<Filing Number>--<Date Submitted>”. *Filing Number* is the unique identifier for the application, and *Date Submitted* is the date that the data on the PDF was initially submitted or resubmitted.

If the exception application has been approved, a formatted PDF of the authorized exception data can be viewed in the *Attachments* area. This file is named “AuthExcpInfo-Filing-<Filing Number>--<Date Approved>”. *Filing Number* is the unique identifier for the application, and *Date Approved* is the date that the application was approved.

Click the **Return** button  to return to the exception application search results.

Click the **Print** button  to print the exception application page. For best results, specify **Landscape** layout for the printed page(s).

## Glossary

The table below provides descriptions of the data items that display on the **submitted application** screen.

Data Item	Description
<b>Filing Information section</b>	
<b>Filing Number</b>	A five-digit number that uniquely identifies the exception application.
<b>Exception Number</b>	A five-digit number that identifies an approved application. When combined with sequence number, it provides a unique identifier for the approved exception application.
<b>Sequence Number</b>	An approved new exception is assigned a <i>Sequence Number</i> of '1'. Example: 50000-1.  Each subsequent renewal/amendment approved for that <i>Exception Number</i> will increment the <i>Sequence Number</i> by '1'. (ex. 50000-2, and 50000-3).
<b>Exception Status</b>	Indicates the current status of the application. Statuses track the workflow from the initial submission to the Commission through approval or denial of the application. <b>Exception Status</b> values are listed in the <a href="#">Entering Search Criteria</a> section.
<b>Prior Exception Number</b>	This item is currently unused.
<b>Operator</b>	Name of the operator associated with the exception application.
<b>Submitted Date</b>	Date that the application was initially submitted.
<b>Filing Type</b>	Indicates whether the application is for a new exception or for a renewal/amendment of an existing exception.
<b>Cumulative Days Authorized (including previous periods from mainframe)</b>	The number of days that have been authorized by the Commission for the exception represented by the <i>Exception Number</i> . This number will be increased by the number of days authorized for any renewal periods approved for the <i>Exception Number</i> .

Data Item	Description
	A hearing is required for any exception longer than 180 days (including renewal periods) if the requested flare/vent amount exceeds 50 mcf per day.
<b>Exception Information section</b>	
<b>Previous exception number not in the online system</b>	Indicates an <i>Exception Number</i> for the same operator and producing oil and gas property that was approved on the Commission’s mainframe system prior to May 2021.
<b>Site Name</b>	Name of the site associated with the exception application.
<b>Is the operator aware of the “Recommended Practice” related to flaring in the February 2019 Notice to Operators?</b>	Indicates whether the operator associated with the exception application is aware of a Notice to Operators that was published in February of 2019 and most recently updated in February 2021. The following link to the Notice to Operators is provided on the online application: <a href="https://www.rrc.state.tx.us/media/cddl1dou/2021-notice-to-operators_dark-skies_2-23-2021.pdf">https://www.rrc.state.tx.us/media/cddl1dou/2021-notice-to-operators_dark-skies_2-23-2021.pdf</a>
<b>Hearing Requested</b>	Indicates whether the operator associated with the exception application has requested a hearing.
<b>Exception is for a full or partial shut-down of a gas plant, gas gathering system etc. as provided for in SWR 32 (h)(8)</b>	A value of <i>Yes</i> indicates the application was filed as a result of a “full or partial shut-down of a gas gathering system, gas plant, gas compressor or other gas handling facility” as outlined in SWR 32 (h)(8).  If the exception application was filed under SWR 32 (h)(8), two or more commingle permits, oil leases, gas leases, drilling permits, and/or gas plants can be listed on one exception application.  A value of <i>No</i> indicates the application was not filed under SWR 32 (h)(8).
<b>Permanent Exception Requested (Hearing required if volume is greater than 50 mcf per day)</b>	Indicates whether the operator requested a permanent exception. A permanent exception has no expiration date.  An exception application requires a hearing if a permanent exception is requested, with the requested release rate being more than 50 mcf/day.
<b>Requested Effective Date</b>	Date requested by the operator for the exception period to begin.

Data Item	Description
<b>Requested Expiration Date</b>	Date requested by the operator for the exception period to end.
<b>Number of Days (this request)</b>	The number of days from the <i>Requested Effective Date</i> through the <i>Requested Expiration Date</i> . After the exception application is approved, the online system adds the number of days to the <i>Cumulative Days Authorized</i> .
<b>Release Requested for: Every day of the calendar month</b>	Indicates the operator requested to flare or vent every day of the calendar month.
<b>Release Requested for: Days per month</b>	Indicates the operator requested to flare or vent up to a specific number of days per calendar month.
<b>Is this oil and/or gas property connected to a gas gathering or transmission system?</b>	A value of <i>Yes</i> indicates the property is connected to a gas gathering or transmission system. A value of <i>No</i> indicates the property is not connected to a gas gathering or transmission system.
<b>Distance to nearest pipeline</b>	If the oil and/or gas property is not connected to a gas gathering or transmission system, the distance to the nearest pipeline is required. Distance is reported in feet or miles.
<b>Property section</b>	
<b>Total Requested Release Rate for multiple property exception (mcf/day)</b>	The sum of the amounts of gas that the operator requested to release or vent per day for each of the properties filed for an exception application under SWR 32 (h)(8).
<b>Total Release Rate for Commingle Permit (mcf/day)</b>	If property type is a commingle permit, this is the sum of the requested release amounts for each of the leases and drilling permits associated with the commingle permit property.
<b>Property Type</b>	The type of producing oil or gas property that is associated with the exception application. Value is one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Commingle Permit</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Note: A commingle permit can contain two or more gas leases, drilling permits, or oil leases.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Data Item	Description
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Gas Lease</i></li> <li>• <i>Drilling Permit</i></li> <li>• <i>Oil Lease</i></li> <li>• <i>Gas Plant</i></li> </ul>
<b>District</b>	Railroad Commission (RRC) District where the producing oil or gas property is located.
<b>Property ID</b>	The Commission-assigned property ID associated with the exception application.
<b>Lease Name</b>	The oil or gas lease name or the gas plant name. Drilling Permits are associated with a <i>Lease Name</i> . Commingle permits are not identified by a <i>Lease Name</i> .
<b>Requested Release Rate (mcf/day)</b>	The amount of gas that the operator associated with the exception application requested to release or vent per day.
<b>Gas Measurement Method</b>	<p>Indicates the method of gas measurement for the producing oil or gas property. Value is one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Orifice Meter</i></li> <li>• <i>Turbine Meter</i></li> <li>• <i>Mass Flow Meter</i></li> <li>• <i>Other Meter</i></li> <li>• <i>Estimate</i></li> </ul>
<b>Other Meter</b>	If the operator indicated <i>Other</i> for the <i>Gas Measurement Method</i> , this item specifies the type of <i>Other Meter</i> .
<b>Flare/Vent Locations section</b>	
<b>Flare or Vent Name</b>	Name associated with the release facility.
<b>County</b>	Name of the Texas county where the release facility is located.
<b>District</b>	Railroad Commission (RRC) District where the release facility is located.
<b>Release Location Outside of Texas</b>	If <i>Yes</i> , <i>County</i> and <i>District</i> are blank.

Data Item	Description
<b>Release Type</b>	Indicates whether the gas will be flared or vented at the release facility.
<b>Release Height (ft above ground)</b>	Number of feet above ground for the gas release.
<b>GPS Coordinates for the Release Facility</b>	<p>GPS location for the flare/vent release facility.</p> <p><i>Format for the Latitude and Longitude coordinates (X-coordinate/Y-coordinate for State Plane format) is one of the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Decimal Degrees</i> (preferred format)</li> <li>• <i>Degrees, Minutes, Seconds</i></li> <li>• <i>Degrees and Minutes</i></li> <li>• <i>State Plane</i></li> </ul> <p><i>GPS Datum</i> is one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>NAD37</i></li> <li>• <i>NAD83</i></li> <li>• <i>WGS84</i></li> </ul> <p><i>State Plane Zone</i> is reported if the coordinates are in <i>State Plane</i> format:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Central</li> <li>• North</li> <li>• North-Central</li> <li>• South</li> <li>• South-Central</li> </ul>
<b>Is the flare/vent facility subject to SWR 36 (hydrogen sulfide (H2S) area)</b>	<p>If <i>Yes</i>, a <i>Certificate of Compliance</i> (Form H-9) is required to be on file with the Commission.</p> <p>If <i>No</i>, this indicates the concentration of hydrogen sulfide (H2S) in the system is less than 100 parts per million (ppm), and no <i>Certificate of Compliance</i> is required.</p> <p>A <i>Certificate of Compliance</i> certifies that an operator has complied with or will comply with <a href="#">16 Texas Administrative Code §3.36</a>. It provides the RRC with the hydrogen sulfide concentration, maximum escape volume, and accompanying information to regulate hydrogen sulfide if present, and ensure the safety of people working and living nearby. It is also used to provide the locations of</p>



Data Item	Description
	contingency plans and the data used to prepare the <i>Certificate of Compliance</i> .
<b>H-9 Certificate Number</b>	Commission-assigned unique identifier for the <i>Certificate of Compliance</i> .
<b>H2S Concentration (ppm)</b>	Parts per million of hydrogen sulfide present in the area covered by the <i>Certificate of Compliance</i> .
<b>If subject to SWR 36 (H2S area), distance to public area (ft.)</b>	If a <i>Certificate of Compliance</i> is required, this indicates the distance to the nearest public area within 1 mile. It is measured in feet.
<b>Public Area Type</b>	<p>The type of public area located within one mile of the flare/vent facility. Value is one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dwelling or residential area</li> <li>• Public facility such as school or business location</li> <li>• Public road</li> <li>• Other</li> <li>• There is no public area within 1 mile</li> </ul>
<b>Other Public Area</b>	If the value for <i>Public Area Type</i> is <i>Other</i> , this specifies the other type of public area.
<b>Exception Reasons section</b>	
<b>Exception Reasons</b>	The necessity for the release as defined by Rule 32 (f)(2).
<b>RRC Review section</b>	
<b>Referred to Hearings Date</b>	If the application required a hearing, date that the application was referred to the Commission’s Hearings Division.
<b>Docket/CASES Number</b>	If the application required a hearing, the Commission-assigned case number for the exception application.
<b>Conference Date</b>	If the application required a hearing, date that the case was reviewed at a hearings conference.

## Viewing Details for an Approved Exception


In the search results grid, click the **Open** icon  next to *View Approved Exception*.

This is a screenshot of the Search Results grid. It shows the *View Approved Exception* option that displays when the user clicks the **Actions** button.



Excep/Seq No	Submittal Dt	Filing No	Status	Filing Type	Operator No	Operator Name	Property	Effective Dt	Expiration Dt	F/V District
51077-2	10/27/2021	12085	Approved	Renewal/Amenc	123456	ABC OPERATOR	Commingle Permit-08-9343	10/26/2021	10/26/2021	08
	10/27/2021	12065	Approved	New Exception	123456	ABC OPERATOR	Commingle Permit-08-5431	10/01/2021		08
	10/27/2021	12062	Approved	New Exception	123456	ABC OPERATOR	Commingle Permit-08-8673	10/22/2021	11/20/2021	08

A formatted PDF of the approved exception application displays.



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FORM R-32

Filing No. : 12085

Application Type: Renewal/Amendment      Submittal Date : 10/27/2021

Exception Status : Approved                  Pymt Trace No. : 455RM006QHN4AOE

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OPERATOR AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Operator Name :	ABC OPERATOR	Operator :	123456
Address Line 1 :	1234 COMMERCE STREET	City :	HOUSTON
Address Line 2 :	STE 2000		
State :	TX	Postal Code :	77042
Site Name :	Dorothy Sansom		

AUTHORIZATION

Exception No. 51077-2

Effective Date : 10/26/2021                  Approval Date : 10/28/2021

Expiration Date : 10/26/2021                  Docket No :

Cumulative Days Authorized (since initial exception) : 31

Authorized Release Rate (mcf/day) : 1800

Subject to the following limitations :

Every day of the month

Days of Flaring/venting each month : 1

Not to exceed (mcf/month) : 1800

PRODUCING PROPERTIES

ID Type	District	ID Number	Daily Release Rate (mcf/day)
Commingle Permit	08	9343	1800

FLARE/VENT LOCATIONS

Type	Name	GPS Datum	Latitude / State Plane Y	Longitude / State Plane X	State Plane Zone
Flare	Dorothy Sansom Flare	WGS 84	31.491800	-103.498000	

## Glossary

The table below provides descriptions of the data items that display on the PDF for the authorized exception.

Data Item	Description
<b>Heading section</b>	
<b>Filing Number</b>	A five-digit number that uniquely identifies the exception application.
<b>Application Type</b>	Indicates whether the application is for a new exception or for a renewal/amendment of an existing exception.
<b>Submittal Date</b>	Date that the application was initially submitted.
<b>Exception Status</b>	The application status is <i>Approved</i> .
<b>Payment Trace Number</b>	This number confirms that the required fees were paid by the filer.
<b>Operator and General Information section</b>	
<b>Operator Name</b>	Name of the operator associated with the exception application.
<b>Operator Number</b>	The P-5 number of the operator associated with the exception application.
<b>Operator Address</b>	Operator address associated with the exception application. Address includes lines 1 and 2, city, state, and postal code.
<b>Site Name</b>	Name of the site associated with the exception application.
<b>Authorization section</b>	
<b>Exception Number</b>	<p>A Commission-assigned number that uniquely identifies an approved application.</p> <p>An approved new exception is assigned a <i>Sequence Number</i> of '1'. Example: 50000-1.</p> <p>Each subsequent renewal/amendment approved for that <i>Exception Number</i> will increment the <i>Sequence Number</i> by '1'. Example: 50000-2, 50000-3.</p>

Data Item	Description
<b>Effective Date</b>	Date that the exception period begins as authorized by the Commission.
<b>Approval Date</b>	Date that the Commission approved the exception application.
<b>Expiration Date</b>	Date that the exception period ends as authorized by the Commission.
<b>Docket Number</b>	The Commission-assigned case number for the exception application. Indicates that exception approval occurred through a Commission hearing.
<b>Cumulative Days Authorized (since initial exception)</b>	The total number of days that were authorized by the Commission for the exception represented by the <i>Exception Number</i> . <i>Cumulative Days Authorized</i> includes any renewal periods authorized for the exception.
<b>Authorized Release Rate (mcf/day)</b>	The total amount of gas that is authorized to be flared or vented each day under the exception. If the exception is for multiple properties (under SWR 32 (h)(8)), this number represents the sum of the <i>Authorized Release Rates</i> for all properties on the exception.
<b>Subject to the following limitations:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Every day of the month</b></li> <li>• <b>Days of flaring/venting each month</b></li> <li>• <b>Not to exceed (mcf/month)</b></li> </ul>	<p>If <i>Every day of the month</i> is indicated, the operator is authorized to flare every day of the calendar month.</p> <p>If <i>Days of flaring/venting each month</i> is indicated, the exception authorizes flaring or venting on the number of days specified each month.</p> <p>If <i>Not to exceed (mcf/month)</i> indicates an amount, the exception authorizes a maximum amount to be flared or vented each month.</p>
<b>Producing Properties section</b>	
<b>ID Type</b>	Type of oil and gas producing property. Value is one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Commingle Permit</i></li> <li>• <i>Gas Lease</i></li> <li>• <i>Drilling Permit</i></li> <li>• <i>Oil Lease</i></li> <li>• <i>Gas Plant</i></li> </ul>





Data Item	Description
<b>District</b>	Railroad Commission (RRC) District where the producing oil or gas property is located.
<b>ID Number</b>	The Commission-assigned property ID associated with the exception application.
<b>Daily Release Rate (mcf/day)</b>	The amount of gas that is authorized to be flared or vented each day for the property. If the property is a commingle permit, this amount reflects the sum of the amounts for the leases and drilling permits associated with the commingle permit property.
<b>Flare/Vent Locations section</b>	
<b>Type</b>	Indicates whether the exception authorizes the facility to flare or to vent gas.
<b>Name</b>	Name associated with the release facility.
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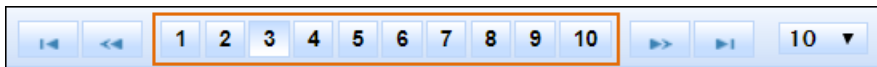
## Working with Search Results

The search results grid allows you to navigate through multiple pages of search results and sort and filter search results.

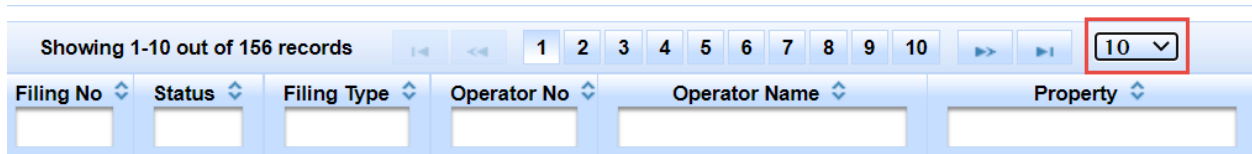
### Navigating Multiple Pages of Search Results

If your search retrieves multiple pages of search results, you can use the buttons at the top and bottom of the grid to navigate through the pages.

- First Page button : Navigates to the first page of search results.
- Previous Page button : Navigates to the previous page of search results.
- Next Page button : Navigates to the next page of search results.
- Last Page button : Navigates to the last page of search results.
- Page buttons: Navigates to a specific page in the search results.

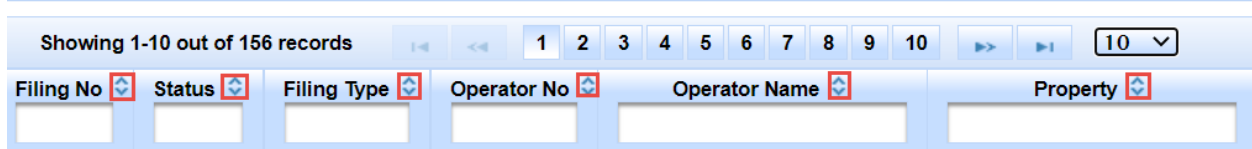


To display more or fewer data records, use the drop-down list at the top or bottom of the search results grid to change the number of search results records that display on a page.



### Sorting Search Results

You can sort exception application search results by any column heading. Click the column heading to sort by that column.



## Filtering Search Results

You can filter the exception application search results by any column. Enter a value in the filter field. Data records only display in the grid if they match the filter value in that column.

Showing 1-10 out of 111 records					
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