TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

REVISED NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION
FOR MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE PERMIT AMENDMENT

[PROPOSED] PERMIT NO. 53A

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. North Texas Municipal Water District, (Lookout Drive Transfer Station), P.O. Box 2408, Wylie, Collin County, Texas 75098, a transfer station, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a Municipal Solid Waste Permit Amendment to authorize the construction of a new transfer station building that will replace the existing building. The facility is located at 1601 E. Lookout Drive, Richardson, Texas 75082, in Collin County, Texas. The TCEQ received this application on October 26, 2011. The following link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice: http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.985&lng=-96.6925&zoom=13&type=r. For exact location, refer to application.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director’s preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at North Texas Municipal Water District’s offices at 505 East Brown St., Wylie, Collin County, Texas 75098 and at Richardson City Hall, 411 W. Arapaho Road, Richardson, Dallas County, Texas 75083.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. The TCEQ held a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. on October 9, 2012 at Douglas Otto Middle School Cafetorium, 504 North Star Road, Plano, Texas 75074. You may submit additional public comments or request another public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director’s decision. A person who may be affected by the proposed facility is entitled to request a contested case hearing from the commission. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

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TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of disputed fact issues to be considered; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. To be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION All public comments and requests must be submitted within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you choose to communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ's Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Mr. James M. Parks, NTMWD Executive Director at the address stated above or by calling (972) 442-5405.

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