

Edward George

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Dear TCEQ,

My name is Edward V. George. I live in Lubbock, TX, and I am a constituent of Senator Charles Perry, SD28, and Representative Carl Tepper, HD84. I am also a volunteer with the non-partisan non-profit organization Citizens Climate Lobby. Thank you for this opportunity to submit comments regarding proposed rule project number 2024-027-113-AI.

I strongly support implementing the EPA's methane reduction directive to its fullest extent, ensuring strict compliance with 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart OOOOc.

Not only is methane a potent greenhouse gas, whose atmospheric reduction is critical to addressing the climate crisis. In addition, methane mitigation will bring jobs in a new and expanding industry. The Texas Sierra Club reports (Feb. 12, 2024) that "there are over 225 manufacturing and service companies in the methane mitigation industry with nearly 1,000 employee locations across the country."

I urge TCEQ to adopt ambitious and transparent standards that prioritize environmental health, protect vulnerable communities near oil and gas facilities, and align with Texas's responsibility to combat climate change.

Sincerely,

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