

TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BRIAN HARRISON

DISTRICT 10

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Office of Legal Services Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 12100 Park 35 Circle Austin, TX 78711-3087

Re: Section 185 Fee for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS - RPN 2023-131-101-AI

I proudly represent Midlothian, Texas in the Texas House of Representatives, and as the "Cement Capital of Texas," it is home to three large cement manufacturing facilities.

I understand that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has been required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to develop a Section 185 fee plan and submit it to EPA by November 2025. Since these facilities in my district are in the DFW severe ozone non-attainment area, I have been informed they would potentially be subject to this rule-making project and the Section 185 fee.

It is my understanding that TCEQ is considering including in their proposed plan a mechanism for the DFW and HGB Section 185 fee obligation to be partially satisfied with credits from grant revenue spent on point source projects that reduce air emissions as part of the Texas Emission Reduction Program.

I write today to support this mechanism being included in the plan and to request that any efforts to meet these federal requirements be done in a way which does not involve unnecessary regulations, taxes, or fees on my already overtaxed constituents.

Thank you for your consideration,

Brian Harrison