

Subject: City of Wichita Falls DPR Project

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To: Russell Schreiber

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Russell,

Per our telephone conversation earlier this afternoon and per the site visit conducted yesterday by Mr. Red Weddell of my staff and TCEQ Abilene Region 3 staff, the City of Wichita Falls (City) pumped wastewater effluent from the River Road Wastewater Treatment Plant (RR WWTP) to the Cypress Water Treatment Facility while continuing to operate the 1987 Cypress surface water treatment plant (SWTP). You stated that at this time, the RR WWTP effluent has been pumped through the 2008 Cypress SWTP's flow control vault and into the clarifier but will not be pumped further through the treatment process. You also stated that the RR WWTP transfer pumps have been turned off and will not be turned on again until the 1987 surface water treatment plant (SWTP) is off-line. Per our conversation, you stated that the 1987 SWTP will continue operation through the weekend and will cease operation on Monday, January 13, 2014.

As I stated to you on the phone, the City must cease operation of the 1987 Cypress SWTP and maintain closure of the 1961 Cypress SWTP when the City resumes pumping of the RR WWTP effluent to the Cypress Water Treatment Facility. Additionally, the City may not send the wastewater effluent in the 2008 Cypress SWTP clarifier further through the treatment process until operation of the 1987 Cypress SWTP has ceased.

The City must follow these instructions in order to be in compliance with items listed under Condition No. 12 of our September 5, 2013 letter for the City's proposed six-month temporary Direct Potable Reuse Water Treatment Plant (DPR WTP) as specified in Condition No. 13 and repeated below:

All of the above [Condition Nos. 12.a through No. 12.g] referenced valve and gate closures and piping modifications must be completed prior to the RR WWTP transfer pumps being turned on after connecting the wastewater effluent piping to the temporary Cypress DPR WTP. TCEQ staff will inspect the DPR WTP to confirm isolation as described in Condition No. 12 has been completed. The inspection must occur before the Full-Scale Verification Test may begin.

I would like to repeat Condition No. 12(b) which requires the City to maintain the weir gates closed in the Cypress Splitter Box to the 1987 and 1961 SWTPs during the verification testing and during the proposed six-month temporary discharge of potable water to the distribution system.

Please notify me by email and phone (512-239-4625) and the TCEQ Abilene Regional Office by phone (325-698-9674) when:

- * The 1987 Cypress SWTP ceases operation;
- * The City resumes pumping of the RR WWTP effluent to the Cypress Water Treatment Facility;

and

- * The City sends the wastewater effluent in the 2008 Cypress SWTP clarifier further through the treatment process.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

We will provide you the TCEQ response to the City's Final Engineering Report as soon as it has been finalized.

Sincerely,

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