



## OFFICE OF EXTERNAL CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

October 25, 2023

Erin Chancellor, Director  
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**Re: Termination of the Informal Resolution Agreement Process for EPA Complaint Nos. 02R-21-R6, 05RNO-22-R6 & 06RNO-22-R6**

Dear Director Chancellor:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Environmental Justice and External Civil Rights, Office of External Civil Rights Compliance (OECRC) is in receipt of your letter dated October 20, 2023. Your letter, in part, notified OECRC of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's withdrawal from the Informal Resolution Agreement (IRA) process for EPA Complaint Nos. 02R-21-R6, 05RNO-22-R6 & 06RNO-22-R6.

In light of your withdrawal, EPA is terminating the IRA process for these complaints as of October 20, 2023.<sup>1</sup> EPA will continue to process these complaints, including a review of your letter, consistent with EPA's regulation at 40 C.F.R. Part 7 and OECRC's Case Resolution Manual.<sup>2</sup>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (220) 809-3297, by email at [Hoang.Anhthu@epa.gov](mailto:Hoang.Anhthu@epa.gov), or Jack Pantziris, the Case Manager assigned to this matter, at (202) 564-2466, or by email at [pantziris.jack@epa.gov](mailto:pantziris.jack@epa.gov).

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<sup>1</sup> See U.S. EPA, ECRCO Case Resolution Manual, Section 3.1, at 23 (2021) (available at [https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2021-01/documents/2021.1.5\\_final\\_case\\_resolution\\_manual.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2021-01/documents/2021.1.5_final_case_resolution_manual.pdf)).

<sup>2</sup> See U.S. EPA, ECRCO Case Resolution Manual (available at [https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2021-01/documents/2021.1.5\\_final\\_case\\_resolution\\_manual.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2021-01/documents/2021.1.5_final_case_resolution_manual.pdf)).

Sincerely,

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