Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Investigation Report

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Customer: Blue Ridge Landfill TX, LP Customer Number: CN602820599 RILLE NUMBER

Regulated Entity Name: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Regulated Entity Number: RN102610102

Investigation # 1314675

Incident Numbers

228339 227884 228264 228284 228601 228568 227932 227885 227882 227883 228565 228563

Investigator:

RICHARD BLACKNEY

Site Classification TYPE 1

Conducted: 03/02/2016 -- 03/02/2016

NAIC Code: 562212

SIC Code: 4953

SIC Code: 1521

Program(s):

MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Investigation Type: Compliance Investigation

Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Additional ID(s):

1505A

Address: 2200 FM 521 RD,

FRESNO, TX, 77545

Local Unit: REGION 12 - HOUSTON

Activity Type(s):

MSWCMPL - Investigation of MSW

complaint

Principal(s):

Role

Name

RESPONDENT

BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Contact(s):

Role	Title	Name	Phone	
REGULATED ENTITY MAIL CONTACT	ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER	MR BURGESS STENGL	Office	(713) 676-7669
PARTICIPATED IN	LANDFILL OPERATIONS MANAGER	MR MATT MONTAGNA	Work	(713) 676-7664
REGULATED ENTITY CONTACT	ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER	MR BURGESS STENGL	Office	(713) 676-7669
PARTICIPATED IN	ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER	MR BURGESS STENGL	Office	(713) 676-7669

Other Staff Member(s):

Role

Name

Investigator

ANDREW EVANS REYNA LOOSMORE

QA Reviewer QA Reviewer

Supervisor

TOM COLLINS

ALMA JEFFERSON

Associated Check List

Checklist Name

Unit Name

MSW COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION

complaint

Investigation Comments:

INTRODUCTION

On February 17, 24 and 25, 2016 and March 1 and 2, 2016 the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Houston Region Office received 12 complaints alleging odors from Blue Ridge Landfill (BRL) located at 2200 FM 521, Fresno (Fort Bend County), Texas 77545. The odors were alleged to have occurred on February 15, 16, 17, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 29, 2016, and March 1, 2016.

On March 2, 2016, Mr. Richard Blackney and Mr. Andrew J. Evans, Environmental Investigators of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Houston Region Office, conducted an unannounced Odor Complaint Investigation at BRL and the area surrounding it.

BACKGROUND

The most recent Waste Section Odor Complaint Investigations (Nos. 1300533 and 1308059) at BRL were conducted on December 18, 2015 and February 2, 2016. One alleged violation for erosion of cover was noted and remains outstanding. One additional issue for windblown waste was also noted and remains unaddressed.

GENERAL FACILITY AND PROCESS INFORMATION

BRL authorization numbers from the TCEQ Central Registry database are included in Attachment 1. BRL is a Type I landfill which is authorized to operate by TCEQ Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Permit No. 1505A.

The landfill is authorized to accept municipal solid waste including household solid waste, commercial solid waste, construction and demolition waste, and yard waste; Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3 non-hazardous industrial waste; and certain special wastes. Class 1 waste is buried in the designated Class 1 cell of the landfill. The special waste currently accepted includes: dead animals, sludge and Class 2 industrial waste.

The waste acceptance hours are Monday through Friday, 4:00 am to 5:00 pm, and Saturdays from 5:30 am to 12:00 pm. The surrounding land use includes industrial facilities and residential subdivisions.

Complainant Information:

See confidential files (TCEQ Incident Nos. 227882, 227883, 227884, 227885, 227932, 228264, 228284, 228339, 228563, 228565, 228568, and 228601).

Description of Alleged Effects:

No health effects were alleged from the odors.

Meteorological data at the time of the odor survey (March 2, 2016 - 9:30am to 10:30am)

Wind direction: E

Wind Speed: 12.1 to 13.1 mph Temperature: 61.4 to 63.7°F

Meteorological data taken from TCEQ's continuous air monitoring stations (Attachment 2).

The investigators went to Odor Survey (OS) No. 1 located approximately 500 feet north of the intersection of Evergreen St and California St. OS No. 1 took place crosswind of BRL and was conducted at 10:13 a.m. No odors

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were detected during the 15 minutes spent at OS No. 1.

The investigators then went to OS No. 2 located approximately 750 feet north of the intersection of Evergreen St and S Post Oak Blvd. OS No. 2 took place crosswind of BRL and was conducted at 10:31 a.m. No odors were detected during the 15 minutes spent at OS No. 2.

An aerial view map of the OS locations and the OS logs are included in Attachment 3.

Summary of on-site investigation:

Following the odor survey, the investigators arrived at BRL at approximately 11:00 a.m., and met with Mr. Matt Montagna, Landfill Operations Manager, and Mr. Burgess Stengl, Environmental Manager, to whom the purpose and scope of the investigation were explained. BRL has a system of misters for the purpose of neutralizing odors. According to the facility representatives, BRL has extended the mister system by hundreds of feet on the eastern portion of the landfill, as well as to the east of the Class 1 cell. The investigators viewed the new extensions of the misting system in operation.

BRL receives Class I waste in its Class 1 disposal cell Monday through Friday, and receives MSW in the MSW cell Monday through Saturday. Six inches of soil is applied to the Class 1 cell and MSW cell at the end of each operating day. The representatives drove the investigators to the MSW and Class 1 working faces, by which piles of soil were observed. The windblown waste that had been observed on February 2, 2016 was gone. This is discussed further in the Summary of Investigation Findings section. The investigators obtained copies of the cover logs for February 2016 (Attachment 4). The cover logs indicated that soil was applied to the working faces as required. The cover logs also indicated that repair of the erosion of cover observed on December 18, 2015 had been completed on February 13, 2016.

The investigators observed the area on the northern slope of the landfill where erosion of cover had previously been observed, and the cover appeared to be repaired. A photograph taken by Mr. Blackney is included in Attachment 5. However, another area of erosion was observed, and can also be seen in Attachment 5. This is discussed further in the Summary of Investigation Findings section.

Description of Odor:

Odors typical of landfill garbage were not detected during the odor survey.

Description of the Effects on the Investigators: No health effects were experienced by the investigators.

Description of the Terrain Features of the Area: Terrain is flat with residences and businesses.

Location of the Source of the Odor: The alleged source of the odor is BRL.

ODOR FIDO CHART EVALUATION:

According to the Frequency Intensity Duration Offensiveness (FIDO) protocol, the odor of landfill garbage is characterized as "offensive". Based on previous investigations, the frequency of documented odors is quarterly.

Physical Effects Experienced by the Investigators which are Indicative of Adverse Effects upon Health: The investigators did not experience any physical effects during the investigation.

Normal use of Property Affected by the Odor and the Manner in which such Odor could Reasonably be Expected to Interfere with this Use:

According to FIDO protocol, a nuisance condition was not confirmed.

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION FINDINGS

OUTSTANDING ALLEGED VIOLATION

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The following alleged violation was noted during the investigation conducted on December 18, 2015 and remains outstanding:

Site Operating Plan 4.18 / 30 Texas Administrative Code §330.165(g) - Landfill Cover (Category C4)

Erosion gullies that are four or more inches deep on final or intermediate cover must be repaired within five days of detection by restoring the cover material, grading, compacting, and seeding unless the commission's regional office approves otherwise, based on the extent of the damage requiring more time to repair or the repairs are delayed because of weather conditions. The date of detection of erosion and date of completion of repairs, including reasons for any delays, must be documented in the cover inspection record.

Erosion of cover was observed at Blue Ridge Landfill on December 18, 2015, and the date of detection was not in the cover log, nor a reason for delay of repair of cover.

On January 5, 2016, the facility representative sent photographs to the TCEQ showing repair of cover. On February 2, 2016, the area was observed by the investigator to have been largely repaired, but it appeared there remained some gullies where cover was eroded by more than four inches. On March 2, 2016, the area appeared to have been repaired, and the cover log from February 2016 was viewed which indicated that repair of cover was completed on February 13, 2016. However, on March 2, 2016, another area of erosion of cover was observed. Blue Ridge Landfill is requested to restore the cover material and include the date of completion of repairs in the cover log. The facility is requested to submit documentation to the TCEQ Houston Region Office to verify compliance.

ADDRESSED ADDITIONAL ISSUE

The following additional issue was noted during the investigation conducted on February 2, 2016 and has been addressed:

Windblown waste was previously observed on the premises of the landfill. The facility representatives were requested to pick up the waste.

This additional issue was addressed based on no windblown waste being observed during the investigation on March 2, 2016.

OUTSTANDING ALLEGED VIOLATION(S)

Track Number: 598524

Compliance Due Date: To Be Determined

Violation Start Date: Unknown

30 TAC Chapter 330.165(g)

PERMIT 1505A, Site Operating Plan 4.18.3

Erosion gullies or washed-out areas will be repaired within 5 days of detection by restoring the cover material, grading, compacting, and seeding.

Alleged Violation:

Investigation: 1300533

Comment Date: 03/18/2016

Erosion gullies that are four or more inches deep on final or intermediate cover must be repaired within five days of detection by restoring the cover material, grading, compacting, and seeding unless the commission's regional office approves otherwise, based on the extent of the damage requiring more time to repair or the repairs are delayed because of weather conditions. The date of detection of erosion and date of completion of repairs, including reasons for any delays, must be documented in the cover inspection record.

Erosion of cover was observed at Blue Ridge Landfill on December 18, 2015, and the date of detection was not in the cover log, nor a reason for delay of repair of cover.

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Investigation: 1308059

Comment Date: 04/05/2016

Erosion gullies that are four or more inches deep on final or intermediate cover must be repaired within five days of detection by restoring the cover material, grading, compacting, and seeding unless the commission's regional office approves otherwise, based on the extent of the damage requiring more time to repair or the repairs are delayed because of weather conditions. The date of detection of erosion and date of completion of repairs, including reasons for any delays, must be documented in the cover inspection record.

Erosion of cover was observed at Blue Ridge Landfill on December 18, 2015, and the date of detection was not in the cover log, nor a reason for delay of repair of cover.

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Comment Date: 04/22/2016

Compliance with this regulation was evaluated during investigations on February 2, 2016 and March 2, 2016.

Recommended Corrective Action: On January 5, 2016, the facility representative sent photographs to the TCEQ showing repair of cover. On February 2, 2016, the area was observed by the investigator to have been largely repaired, but it appeared there remained some gullies where cover was eroded by more than four inches. On March 2, 2016, the area appeared to have been repaired, and the cover log from February 2016 was viewed which indicated that repair of cover was completed on February 13, 2016. However, on March 2, 2016, another area of erosion of cover was observed. Blue Ridge Landfill is requested to restore the cover material and include the date of completion of repairs in the cover log. The facility is requested to submit documentation to the TCEQ Houston Region Office to verify compliance.

Additional Issues

Description

Item 2

Additional Comments

Windblown waste was previously observed on the premises of the landfill. The facility representatives were requested to pick up the waste.

This additional issue was addressed based on no windblown waste being observed during the investigation on March 2, 2016.

Signed

Environmental Investigator

Date 04/29/2016

Signed

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Date <u>04/29/20</u>16

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Attachments: (in order	of final report sub	mittal)
Enforcement Action RequestLetter to Facility (specify type	(EAR)	Maps, Plans, Sketches Photographs
Investigation Report	compliance	Correspondence from the facility
Sample Analysis Results	(20)0000	_XOther (specify): See list of attachments
Manifests		Sel list of attachments
Notice of Registration		

03/22/2016 8:40:05AM



Incident No: 227882 Media Type: WASTE

Start Date: 2/16/2016

Received Date: 02/17/2016

Method: PHONE

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 14 Calendar Days

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address 2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545 **Physical Location:** LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669 Number Complaining: 1

Frequency: CURRENT

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

Complainant alleges a rotten egg smell

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

03/22/2016 8:39:02AM



Incident No: 227883

Media Type: WASTE Start Date: 2/17/2016

Received Date: 02/17/2016

Method: EMAIL

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 14 Calendar Days

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address 2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545 **Physical Location:** LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669

Number Complaining: 1 Frequency: CURRENT

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

The complainant alleges a rotten-like odor.

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

03/22/2016 8:41:40AM



Incident No: 227885 Media Type: WASTE

Start Date: 2/16/2016

Received Date: 02/17/2016

Method: EMAIL

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 14 Calendar Days

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address 2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545

Physical Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669 Number Complaining: 1 Frequency: CURRENT

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

Complainant alleges a strong garbage-like odor.

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

03/22/2016 8:40:50AM

Incident No: 227884 Media Type: WASTE

Start Date: 2/16/2016

Received Date: 02/17/2016

Method: EMAIL

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 14 Calendar Days

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address 2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545 **Physical Location:** LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669

Number Complaining: 1 Frequency: CURRENT

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

The complainant alleges a strong garbage odor.

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

03/22/2016 8:43:08AM



Incident No: 228264 Media Type: WASTE

Start Date: 2/24/2016

Received Date: 02/24/2016

Method: PHONE

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 30 Calendar Days

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545

Physical Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669

Number Complaining: 1 Frequency: CURRENT

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

The complainant alleges a very strong odor.

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

03/22/2016 8:42:18AM

Incident No: 227932 Media Type: WASTE

Start Date: 2/16/2016

Received Date: 02/17/2016

Method: PHONE

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 30 Calendar Days

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address 2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545 Physical Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669

Number Complaining: 1 Frequency: CURRENT

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

The complainant alleges a strong odor.

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

03/22/2016 8:45:12AM COPY

Incident No: 228339 Media Type: WASTE

Start Date: 2/15/2016 Start Time: 12:00:00AM

Received Date: 02/25/2016

Method: PHONE

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 14 Calendar Days

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address:2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545

Physical Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669

Number Complaining: 1

Frequency: INTERMITTENT

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR Effect: GENERAL

Initial Problem

Complainant alleges a strong foul trash odor detected in the morning.

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

03/22/2016 8:43:56AM

Staff Member: RBLACKNE Incident No: 228284

Media Type: WASTE Status: Closed

Start Date: 2/25/2016 Status Date: 03/02/2016 Received Date: 02/25/2016

Priority: Within 14 Calendar Days Method: PHONE

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address:2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545

Physical Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

MANAGER

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669 Number Complaining: 1

Frequency: CURRENT Program Group: MUNICIPAL

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

Complainant alleges of garbage/chemical odor

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

03/22/2016 8:46:40AM OPY

Incident No: 228563 Media Type: WASTE Start Date: 2/27/2016

Received Date: 03/01/2016

Method: EMAIL

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 14 Calendar Days

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545
Physical Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669

Number Complaining: 1 Frequency: PAST

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

Complainant alleges a garbage smell.

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

03/22/2016 8:47:48AM

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 14 Calendar Days

Media Type: WASTE Start Date: 2/29/2016

Incident No: 228565

Received Date: 03/01/2016

Method: EMAIL

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address 2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545

Physical Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669 Number Complaining: 1

Frequency: PAST

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

Complainant alleges a smell of garbage.

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

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Incident No: 228601 Media Type: WASTE

Start Date: 3/1/2016

Received Date: 03/02/2016

Method: PHONE

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 14 Calendar Days

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address 2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545

Physical Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

Work Phone: (713)676-7669 Number Complaining: 1

Frequency: PAST

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

Complainant alleges a strong odor in the area.

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

03/22/2016 8:48:35AM



Incident No: 228568

Media Type: WASTE Start Date: 2/26/2016

Received Date: 03/01/2016

Method: EMAIL

Staff Member: RBLACKNE

Status: Closed

Status Date: 03/02/2016

Priority: Within 14 Calendar Days

Regulated Entity: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

RN102610102

Address 2200 FM 521 RD

FRESNO, FORT BEND County, TX 77545

Physical Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Responsible Party: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP

Address: 5757 OATES RD, HOUSTON, TX 77078

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Work Phone: (713)676-7669

Number Complaining: 1 Frequency: PAST

Alleged Source: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGER

Program Group: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE - HIGH LEVEL

Nature: ODOR

Effect: ENVIRONMENTAL

Initial Problem

Complainant alleges a smell.

Action Taken

This complaint has been assigned and will be further investigated by an Environmental Investigator.

Closure Comments

More information will be available upon approval of the investigation report.

Bryan W. Shaw, Ph.D., P.E., Chairman Toby Baker, Commissioner Jon Niermann, Commissioner Richard A. Hyde, P.E., Executive Director



TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution April 28, 2016

CERTIFIED MAIL # 7002 2030 0003 4748 4091 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Burgess Stengl, Environmental Manager Blue Ridge Landfill TX, LP 5757 A Oates Road Houston, Texas 77078

Additional Compliance Documentation Needed for: Re:

Blue Ridge Landfill, 2200 FM 521 Rd., Fresno (Fort Bend County), Texas 77545

TCEQ Municipal Solid Waste Permit No. 1505A

Dear Mr. Stengl:

On March 2, 2016, Mr. Richard Blackney and Mr. Andrew J. Evans of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Houston Region Office conducted an investigation of the abovereferenced regulated entity to evaluate compliance with applicable requirements for municipal solid waste. Enclosed is a summary which lists the investigation findings. During a previous investigation on December 18, 2015, a concern was noted which was an alleged violation.

We have received the compliance documentation that you submitted January 5, 2016. However, information is still needed for the alleged violation listed in the enclosed summary. Please submit to our office within 30 days of receipt of this letter a written description of corrective action taken and the required compliance documentation demonstrating that this issue has been resolved.

The TCEQ appreciates your assistance in this matter and your compliance efforts to protect the State's environment. We look forward to receiving your response for the remaining alleged violation. Please note that the Legislature has granted TCEQ enforcement powers which we may exercise to ensure compliance with environmental regulatory requirements.

If you or members of your staff have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Blackney in the Houston Region Office at (713) 767-3718.

Sincerely,

Alma L. Jefferson, Team Leader

Waste Section

Houston Region Office

ALJ/RLB/rsv

Enclosure: Summary of Investigation Findings

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION FINDINGS

Blue Ridge Landfill 2200 F.M. 521, Fresno (Fort Bend County), TX 77545 Municipal Solid Waste Permit No. 1505A MSW Complaint Investigation Conducted on March 2, 2016

OUTSTANDING ALLEGED VIOLATION

The following alleged violation was noted during the investigation conducted on December 18, 2015 and remains outstanding:

Site Operating Plan 4.18.3 / 30 Texas Administrative Code §330.165(g) - Landfill Cover

Erosion gullies that are four or more inches deep on final or intermediate cover must be repaired within five days of detection by restoring the cover material, grading, compacting, and seeding unless the commission's regional office approves otherwise, based on the extent of the damage requiring more time to repair or the repairs are delayed because of weather conditions. The date of detection of erosion and date of completion of repairs, including reasons for any delays, must be documented in the cover inspection record.

Erosion of cover was observed at Blue Ridge Landfill on December 18, 2015, and the date of detection was not in the cover log, nor a reason for delay of repair of cover.

On January 5, 2016, the facility representative sent photographs to the TCEQ showing repair of cover. On February 2, 2016, the area was observed by the investigator to have been largely repaired, but it appeared there remained some gullies where cover was eroded by more than four inches. On March 2, 2016, the area appeared to have been repaired, and the cover log from February 2016 was viewed which indicated that repair of cover was completed on February 13, 2016. However, on March 2, 2016, another area of erosion of cover was observed. Blue Ridge Landfill is requested to restore the cover material and include the date of completion of repairs in the cover log. The facility is requested to submit documentation to the TCEQ Houston Region Office to verify compliance.

ADDRESSED ADDITIONAL ISSUE

The following additional issue was noted during the investigation conducted on February 2, 2016 and has been addressed:

Windblown waste was previously observed on the premises of the landfill. The facility representatives were requested to pick up the waste.

This additional issue was addressed based on no windblown waste being observed during the investigation on March 2, 2016.

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Blue Ridge Landfill 2200 F.M. 521, Fresno (Fort Bend County), TX 77545 Municipal Solid Waste Permit No. 1505A MSW Complaint Investigation Conducted on March 2, 2016

List of Attachments

Attachment 1	TCEQ Central Registry information for Blue Ridge Landfill
Attachment 2	Meteorological conditions for March 2, 2016
Attachment 3	Map of Odor Survey locations and Odor Logs
Attachment 4	February 2016 cover logs
Attachment 5	Photographs taken on March 2, 2016 by Mr. Blackney

ATTACHMENT 1

Questions or Comments >>

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Central Registry Query - Regulated Entity Information

Regulated Entity Information

RN Number: RN102610102

Name: BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL

Primary Business: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE LANDFILL Street Address: 2200 FM 521 RD, FRESNO TX 77545 8214

County: FORT BEND Nearest City: FRESNO State: TX

Near ZIP Code: 77545

Physical Location: LOCATED ON 2200 FM 521

Affiliated Customers - Current

Your Search Returned 5 Current Affiliation Records (View Affiliation History)

1-5 of 5 Records

CN Number	Customer Name	Customer Role	Details
CN600343826	BFI WASTE SYSTEMS OF NORTH AMERICA INC	OWNER OPERATOR	⇔
CN601527963	BFI WASTE SERVICES OF TEXAS LP	OWNER	⇨
CN601721657	LONGHORN EXCAVATORS INC	OPERATOR	⇒
CN602820599	BLUE RIDGE LANDFILL TX LP	OWNER OPERATOR	⇔
CN603713595	GRISHAM & JHA GROUP LLC	OPERATOR	⇔.

Industry Type Codes

Code	Classification	Name
562212	NAICS	Solid Waste Landfill
1521	SIC	General Contractors-Single-Family Houses
1629	SIC	Heavy Construction
1794	SIC	Excavation Work
4953	SIC	Refuse Systems

Permits, Registrations, or Other Authorizations

There are a total of **21** programs and IDs for this regulated entity. Click on a column name to change the sort order.

1-21 of 21 Records

Program 🛦	ID Type	ID Number	ID Status
AIR EMISSIONS INVENTORY	ACCOUNT NUMBER	FG0536E	ACTIVE
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	ACCOUNT NUMBER	FG0536E	ACTIVE
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	AFS NUM	4815700111	ACTIVE
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	REGISTRATION	32691	CANCELLED
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AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	REGISTRATION	55939	CANCELLED
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	REGISTRATION	77271	CANCELLED
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	REGISTRATION	77703	CANCELLED
AIR NEW SOURCE PERMITS	REGISTRATION	81004	ACTIVE
AIR OPERATING PERMITS	ACCOUNT NUMBER	FG0536E	ACTIVE
AIR OPERATING PERMITS	PERMIT	1472	ACTIVE
INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE	SOLID WASTE REGISTRATION # (SWR)	89429	ACTIVE
MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	PERMIT	1505	INACTIVE
MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	PERMIT	1505A	ACTIVE
PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK REGISTRATION	REGISTRATION	64950	ACTIVE

ATTACHMENT 2



Air Quality Maps

Data Reports

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Site Info

Manvel Croix Park C84 Daily Summary

Use the controls below to select a different date or time format. Click on the Generate Report button once you have made your selections. Click on the Plot Data button once the tabular report has been generated to open a separate window containing data plots.

Manvel Croix Park C84 Select a different site Day: Year: Time Format: March √ 2 √ 2016 √ 12 Hour (AM/PM) √ Generate Report Ptot Data ☑ Green underline for validated data

☑ Include Non-Public Monitors

☐ Emulate WWW Report

The table below contains hourly averages for all the pollutants and meteorological conditions measured at Manvel Croix Park C84 for Wednesday, March 2, 2016. All times shown are in CST.

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Nitrogen Dioxide	2.9	1.6	3.2	3.0	2.7	7.1	5.8	7.0	3.4	2.8	2.0	1.0	2.2	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.4	0.8	1.0	0.3	0.5	-0.3	-1.2	-1.3	Nit
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Ozone	34	33	31	31	30	24	26	24	30	33	35	39	42	45	45	45	45	<u>46</u>	45	43	44	44	45	39	Ozo
Wind Speed	8.5	7.3	8.1	9.0	7.6	6.9	8.4	7.7	12.5	13.5	12.6	12.0	11.5	10.8	11.6	11.8	12.6	10.6	9.7	10.0	8.9	9.2	11.4	10.1	Wir
Resultant Wind Speed	8.4	7.1	7.9	8.8	7.4	6.8	8.3	7.6	12.2	13.1	12.1	11.4	11.0	10.4	11.1	11.5	12.3	10.4	9.4	9.8	8.8	9.0	11.2	10.0	Res
Resultant Wind Direction	38	40	31	34	46	57	58	62	80	91	96	99	106	96	114	122	130	132	135	137	146	154	162	168	Res Win
Maximum Wind Gust	15.7	13.5	14.7	16.8	14.0	13.6	14.4	14.7	20.5	25.5	20.6	21.2	21.1	19.6	20.2	20.0	20.4	21.5	17.8	17.2	14.6	16.1	18.9	17.9	Ma) Win
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Daily maxima and minima for CAMS 84. All times shown are CST.

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Oxides of Nitrogen	1	23.1	8:00 pm	-1.3	Midnite	
Ozone	1 R	38	3:00 pm	6	8:00 pm	
Wind Speed	1	11.6	9:00 am	1.4	6:00 pm	
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Resultant Wind Direction	1	342	9:00 pm	21	10:00 pm	
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Std. Dev. Wind Direction	1	78	7:00 pm	8	1:00 am	
Outdoor Temperature	1	76.9	2:00 pm	59.1	4:00 am	
Internal Station Temperature	1	81.3	1:00 pm	79.1	5:00 am	
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PLEASE NOTE: This data has not been verified by the TCEQ and may change. This is the most current data, but it is not official until it has been certified by our technical staff. Data is collected from TCEQ ambient monitoring sites and may include data collected by other outside agencies. This data is updated hourly. All times shown are in local standard time unless otherwise indicated.

Following EPA reporting guidelines, negative values may be displayed in our hourly criteria air quality data beginning 1/1/2013, down to the negative of the EPA listed Method Detection Limit (MDL) for the particular instrument that made the measurements. The reported concentrations can be negative due to zero drift in the electronic instrument output, data logger channel, or calibration adjustments to the data. Prior to 1/1/2013, slightly negative values were automatically set to zero.

ATTACHMENT 3





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Supplemental Investigator's Odor Intensity Time Log

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ATTACHMENT 4



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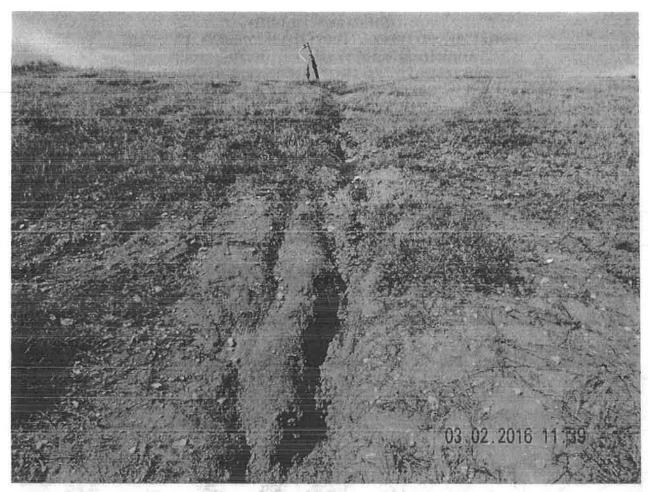
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ATTACHMENT 5

Blue Ridge Landfill 2200 F.M. 521, Fresno (Fort Bend County), TX 77545 Municipal Solid Waste Permit No. 1505A Photographs taken by Mr. Richard Blackey on March 2, 2016



Photograph 1 of 2: The erosion of cover previously observed on December 18, 2015 appeared to have been repaired.



Photograph 2 of 2: Another area of erosion of cover was observed.