

## Knauss, Elizabeth

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**From:** Michael Hirst <mhirst@freeholdcartage.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 25, 2017 9:45 AM  
**To:** Baker, Bryan; Knauss, Elizabeth; Perrigan, Glen; Kennedy, Shannon  
**Cc:** Scott Burke; Barry Olsen  
**Subject:** RE: veolia port arthur tx

Thanks for the understanding.

Below is link for state of disaster for Texas. Port Arthur tx is in Jefferson county.

<https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-declares-state-of-disaster-for-30-texas-counties-in-anticip>

thanks mikeh  
863-287-1830

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**From:** Baker, Bryan [mailto:Bryan.Baker@dep.state.fl.us]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 25, 2017 9:41 AM  
**To:** Knauss, Elizabeth <Elizabeth.Knauss@dep.state.fl.us>; Michael Hirst <mhirst@freeholdcartage.com>; Perrigan, Glen <Glen.Perrigan@dep.state.fl.us>; Kennedy, Shannon <Shannon.Kennedy@dep.state.fl.us>  
**Cc:** Scott Burke <sburke@freeholdcartage.com>; Barry Olsen <barryolsen@freeholdcartage.com>  
**Subject:** RE: veolia port arthur tx

Michael,

The Department approves your request and extends the time limit an additional 20 days (i.e. 30 days total). Please provide a copy, or weblink, to Beth of the Texas Governor's state of emergency order that we can place in our files.

**Bryan Baker, P.G.**  
**Environmental Administrator**  
**Hazardous Waste Program and Permitting**  
**2600 Blair Stone Rd MS 4560**  
**Florida Department of Environmental Protection**  
**Tallahassee, FL 32399**  
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Please note: Florida has a broad public records law. Most written communications to or from state employees are public records and may be made available to the public or media upon request. This email communication, and future emails to my attention may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

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**From:** Knauss, Elizabeth  
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**To:** Michael Hirst <mhirst@freeholdcartage.com>; Baker, Bryan <Bryan.Baker@dep.state.fl.us>; Perrigan, Glen <Glen.Perrigan@dep.state.fl.us>; Kennedy, Shannon <Shannon.Kennedy@dep.state.fl.us>  
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Michael – FDEP normally grants regulatory relief due to natural disasters like hurricanes, but normally this is for disasters within Florida. I am referring your query to Tallahassee for a formal response, as this is not a normal 30 day extension request we can grant to generators.

I would not anticipate denial of the request – I am watching Harvey closely as my son’s family had to evacuate.

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**From:** Michael Hirst [<mailto:mhirst@freeholdcartage.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 25, 2017 8:23 AM  
**To:** Knauss, Elizabeth <[Elizabeth.Knauss@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:Elizabeth.Knauss@dep.state.fl.us)>  
**Cc:** Scott Burke <[sburke@freeholdcartage.com](mailto:sburke@freeholdcartage.com)>; Barry Olsen <[barryolsen@freeholdcartage.com](mailto:barryolsen@freeholdcartage.com)>  
**Subject:** veolia port arthur tx

Ms. Knauss

I hope all is well.

I am sure you are aware of Hurricane Harvey that reached CAT 3 yesterday. The hurricane is going to make landfall on the gulf coast of Texas. FCI has van loads manifested to Veolia Port Arthur TX currently on the 10 day.

The loads are dated 8/17/17, 8/23/17,8/24/17 and 8/25/17.

All four loads were scheduled to leave bartow 10-day with in the 10 day limit. FCI had delivery appointments for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday of next week.

However, Hurricane Harvey is forecasted to be a major rain event for the Port Arthur TX Area. Port Arthur could see 20-30 inches of rain this weekend and have major flooding preventing Veolia from operating next week. FCI has already learned that Veolia has diverted their phone system from port arthur tx to college park ga for Monday, so I am assuming they will be closed Monday.

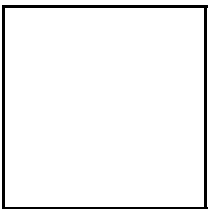
FCI is asking for relief of the 10 day storage requirement so that we can have the loads stored in our 10 day containment pad and not in route to Port Arthur tx in the event Port Arthur is closed due to flooding.

FCI will learn the extent of the damage Monday for the Port Arthur tx area, and will work on a new schedule for these loads. Currently only 1 will be out of compliance as of Monday 8/28/17.

Any questions please call me at 863-287-1830.

Thanks

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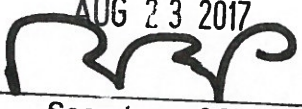


GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

August 23, 2017

The Honorable Rolando B. Pablos  
Secretary of State  
State Capitol Room 1E.8  
Austin, Texas 78701

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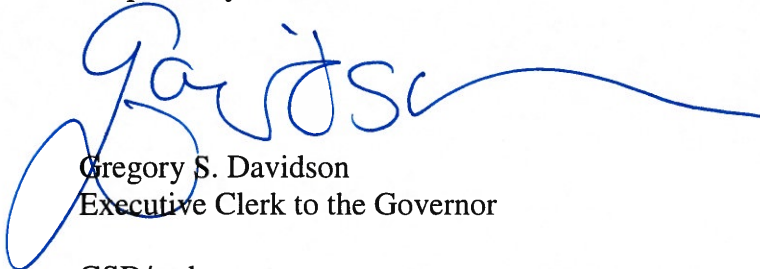
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation declaring a state of disaster in the counties of Aransas, Austin, Bee, Calhoun, Chambers, Colorado, Brazoria, DeWitt, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Gonzales, Harris, Jackson, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kleberg, Lavaca, Liberty, Live Oak, Matagorda, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio, Victoria, Waller, Wharton, and Wilson, beginning August 23, 2017, due to the threat of imminent disaster posed by Tropical Depression Harvey.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Gregory S. Davidson  
Executive Clerk to the Governor

GSD/gsd

Attachment

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE

## Governor of the State of Texas

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**TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:**

I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, do hereby certify that Tropical Depression Harvey poses a threat of imminent disaster, including severe flooding, storm surge and damaging winds, in the counties of Aransas, Austin, Bee, Calhoun, Chambers, Colorado, Brazoria, DeWitt, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Gonzales, Harris, Jackson, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kleberg, Lavaca, Liberty, Live Oak, Matagorda, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio, Victoria, Waller, Wharton, and Wilson, beginning August 23, 2017.

THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby declare a state of disaster in the previously listed counties based on the existence of such threat.

Pursuant to Section 418.017 of the code, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

Pursuant to Section 418.016 of the code, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor. However, to the extent that the enforcement of any state statute or administrative rule regarding contracting or procurement would impede any state agency's emergency response that is necessary to protect life or property threatened by this declared disaster, I hereby authorize the suspension of such statutes and rules for the duration of this declared disaster.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 23rd day of August, 2017.

  
GREG ABBOTT

Governor

ATTESTED BY:



ROLANDO B. PABLOS  
Secretary of State

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