

August 22, 1997

Mr. Scott Whitelaw
Environmental, Health,
and Safety Manager
Texas Brine Company, LLC
4800 San Felipe
Houston, Texas 77056

Re: Exemption Registration Request
Salt Production facility
Baytown, Chambers County

Dear Mr. Whitelaw:

This is in response to your request to register the pending installation of a salt production facility under 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Section 106.261 at your facility at Baytown, Chambers County. The information submitted in support of your request has been evaluated and found to show that the installation of salt production facility requires permitting review in accordance with 30 TAC Chapter 106.

The reasons for requiring a permit or permit amendment are described below:

Your estimated emission rate of 2.17 pounds per hour of salt exceeds the one pound per hour limit allowed in the exemption.

You are reminded that Sections 382.0518(a) and 382.057 of the Texas Clean Air Act, Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 382, provide that a construction permit must be obtained or an exemption fully complied with before work is begun on the construction of a new facility or modification of an existing facility that may emit air contaminants.

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Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated. If you have further questions, please contact Mr. John Gott of our Office of Air Quality, New Source Review Permits Division at (512) 239-1238.

Sincerely,

Tammy Villarreal
Manager, Chemical Section
New Source Review Permits Division
Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission

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cc: Ms. Karen Atkinson, Assistant Regional Manager,
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