



## Reason for Not Adopting APWL Areas Considered

Date: January 6, 2010

### APWL Site Under Consideration

County: Bastrop

City: Bastrop

TCEQ Region: 11 (Austin)

APWL Site Number (for existing sites): APWL1101

Pollutant(s): Hydrogen Sulfide

### **Explanation:**

The TCEQ Toxicology Division (TD) originally proposed the removal of hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) from APWL1101 in September of 2009, because monitored H<sub>2</sub>S concentrations on December 10-11, 2008, were below the state regulatory standard. Also, odor complaints have declined since Griffin Industries (Griffin) implemented a corrective action in March 2007.

However, during the 30-day public comment period which ended on October 5, 2009, the TCEQ Austin regional office received several odor complaints from citizens. The complaints coincided with directional wind changes that resulted in Griffin being upwind of residential property. In addition, strong odors were confirmed by TCEQ staff during a follow-up investigation in the area near Griffin. Therefore, H<sub>2</sub>S will not be removed from APWL1101 at this time, as further investigations are warranted.

### **Comments Submitted and Responses:**

1. [Comments from a Private Citizen A](#)
2. [Comments from a Private Citizen B](#)