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Welcome to the first issue of Beveridge & Diamond, P.C.'s *Texas Environmental Update*, a monthly publication highlighting recent Texas regulatory developments. For more information on any of the following topics, please click on any of the title links below.

[Governor Perry Appoints Martin A. Hubert as TCEQ Commissioner](#)

Martin A. Hubert was appointed as TCEQ Commissioner on September 1, 2006. His term expires on August 31, 2011.

[New Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest Becomes Mandatory](#)

Beginning September 5, 2006, shipments of hazardous waste must be covered by a new uniform hazardous waste manifest. According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), more than 139,000 businesses in approximately 45 industries across the country will be affected by this federal rule change.

[2006 Hourly Emissions Inventory Underway](#)

The TCEQ has initiated its 2006 Hourly Emissions Inventory covering the eastern half of the state in support of the Texas Air Quality Study II (TexAQS II) and the Houston State Implementation Plan (SIP).

[TCEQ Receives Stakeholder Input on Changes in Edwards Aquifer Protection Program](#)

Last month, TCEQ held stakeholder meetings in Austin and San Antonio to discuss its new *Streamlined Edwards Aquifer Pollution Abatement Plan Review Process and Enforcement's Administrative Penalty Policy Calculation Methodology* for certain Edwards Aquifer violations.

[Delinquent Fees and Penalties Will Affect TCEQ Permit Processing](#)

Effective September 1, 2006, the TCEQ will no longer issue, amend, or renew permits, registrations, certifications, or licenses to an entity that has outstanding delinquent fees or penalties.

[Recent Texas Rule Changes](#)

Click the above link for highlights of significant proposed and adopted Texas rule changes. Notably, the rulemaking proposal that would change compliance history requirements has been postponed indefinitely.

FIRM NEWS AND EVENTS

- ◆ Austin Office Welcomes New Associate, Christine Fernandez
- ◆ Maddie Kadas and Laura LaValle Participate in Recent Texas Legal Conferences
- ◆ Maddie Kadas, Lydia González Gromatzky and Jackson Morrill of Beveridge and Diamond P.C. and Melissa Owen of ambientlegal.com co-author article on recent Latin American product stewardship initiatives

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