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Your Comments or Concerns

I join all those Texans asking for a serious and transparent review of the TCEQ. It's apparently well known that it has historically rubber-stamped polluting projects from industry, and prioritized interests of polluters over public health and complaints. EVEN Sunset STAFF say the agency's commissioners are often "reluctant regulators."

As just one example, industrial facilities violate their Clean Air Act permits THOUSANDS of times every year, but TCEQ fines polluters only about 3 percent of the time.

That is shameful even just on the surface of the matter; it hurts Texans' health and long term safety, and it hurts us as taxpayers who have to pay for greater problems when they're finally addressed.

Your Proposed Solution

We need a thorough review that holds TCEQ accountable for all it hasn't done. And we need to see specific plans for how it will actually do its job of protecting public health and the environment in Texas.

My Comments Will Be Made Public

Yes