-----Original Message-----
From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission
Sent: Friday, August 17, 2018 10:16 AM
To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>
Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS BOARD PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS TBPG

First Name: Zoe

Last Name: Halfmann

Title:

Organization you are affiliated with: City of Dallas

Email: zoe.halfmann@dallascityhall.com

City: Dallas

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or
Opposed:
The City of Dallas does not support discontinuing the regulation of Professional Geoscientists (PG). The PG licens
has value and does provide meaningful public protection. PG licensure is important to the City of Dallas because the
City relies on the data generated and opinions provided when making environmental and regulatory decisions on
construction, remediation, and protectiveness of programs. In addition, the City of Dallas Municipal Setting
Designation (MSD) Program ordinance relies on applications being sealed by a licensed Professional Geoscientist.
The PG license gives staff, City Management, and the Dallas City Council comfort that work is being completed
ethically and to an acceptable standard and that contaminated soil and groundwater has been accurately and
sufficiently evaluated. At MSD public meetings, the requirement of a licensed PG signing off on the data provided
has been valuable when the City is supporting that the data is accurate and thorough. The PG license gives
credibility to the MSD applications received, especially when data is challenged by citizens.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: The City of Dallas does not support discontinuing the
regulation of Professional Geoscientists
(PG)

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree