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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission
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Agency: TEXAS BOARD PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS TBPG

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Organization you are affiliated with: Mr

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City: MISSOURI CITY

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or
Opposed:

I agree with the tenets of the TBPG and I could not care what the Sunset commission thinks about "Why Be a Licensed Professional Geoscientist".

As stated in the commission report, the licensing is optional for many areas; so why is there a need to remove the agency? It provides a function to the geoscientist community, and if the license holders agree to, then there is not a problem. The financial figures demonstrated that the agency actually support itself, and does not require money from taxpayers. So, what is the problem? It seems ironic that the commission is actually trying to regulate the need of the TBPG, and probably costing taxpayer money in doing so.

I think personally that the following is beneficial to me:

- Project sign-offs (pre-regulation, certified geoscience reports, surveys, and maps required the signature and seal of a professional engineer)
- Professional credibility and recognition
- Procurement of employment
- Greater potential for employment advancement
- Potentially higher than average salary compared to non-licensed geoscientists
- Qualification as expert witness in courts of law
- Licensure by reciprocity with other states

If at some point I do not want to renew, well, I won't.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Keep the TBPG agency

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree