From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Trisha Linebarger</u>

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Sent: Monday, December 10, 2018 2:27 PM

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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD PLUMBING EXAMINERS

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

First and foremost, these are my personal opinions and not necessarily those of CEF. I am an instructor at the trade school and teach plumbing apprentices, some of which are in the Labor Department 4 year program. I have many years in the construction industry both in the USA and UK. as a Master Plumber with Medical Gas and Water Supply Protection Specialist endorsements.

Having read both the TDLR and TSBPE responses to the Sunset Advisory Commissions I feel sure that the TSBPE has by far more experience in dealing with the many different aspects of the plumbing industry. The growth of construction in Texas in the last twenty five years has been extraordinary and it could continue for the next twenty years, and without a strong stand alone board we could see a watering down of both the building regulations and standards of the plumbing workforce.

Therefore the TSBPE, as an exemplary agency in keeping our plumbing trades educated and informed, must be allowed to stand alone.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Please adopt the TSBPE Staff Response & Sunset Implementation Plan of November 26th 2018 as the only possible way to a better and more educated plumbing industry.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree