From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Brittany Calame</u>

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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission

Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2018 11:26 AM

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Agency: TEXAS BOARD PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS TBPG

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

I disagree with the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission staff recommendation to abolish the Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists and licensed P.G.s.

In my position, I provide detailed knowledge of the soil and rock conditions to engineers for a vast array of public projects. Knowledge that the engineers I work for do not possess and don't attempt to say they know. Furthermore, in the field I make sure that the drilling companies actions do not endanger the public, for instance using a proper cement-bentonite grout in a lake dam instead of a bentonite mud slurry. That is only one of the many instances of that geologists protect the public. The commission cannot see how we protect the public because only bad instances are ever reported.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I recommend that the TBPG to remain and that in the Sunset Commission perform a more thorough investigation before recommending any licensure be dissolved.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree