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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:

In 2016, I retired from Shell Oil as the Global Discipline Leader for Hydrogeology. In this role, I had various global responsibilities in addition to project work. Some of the most important work that I did was to ensure that 1) our staff was second to none and that 2) they were qualified to work on complex projects that not only had significant repercussions for Shell but to local communities as well. Various state and international licensing programs also serve an important role in helping to ensure that professionals are properly qualified. After working in all 50 states and over 30 countries, it has been my experience over the years that there are many individuals who have no business working on projects, let alone critical projects. Licensing of professional geoscientists in Texas is an important measure to help ensure that individuals are properly qualified. This is the very same approach that many other states and countries use to help ensure that individuals are properly qualified. Without some way to help ensure that professional geoscientists are properly qualified, the state of Texas would be taking an undue risk to both the environment as well as to the citizens of Texas.

Since retiring from Shell, I now run my own company. Licensure is a valuable tool for companies in Texas to help sort the wheat from the chaff when deciding on who should be working on critical projects.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: none at this time

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree