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### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 30, 2015

David Porter  
Chairman, Railroad Commission of Texas  
PO Box 12967  
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Chairman Porter,

I am writing to express concern with the proposed fee increase for oil and gas operators.

Oil and gas operators in Nueces County and the surrounding areas have expressed concern that this fee will exacerbate an already difficult economic situation. Recent falling oil prices have threatened many jobs in the Coastal Bend as producers rethink the economic viability of drilling new wells. Given the oil and gas industry's vital role in the Texas economy, along with the tough economic climate, the state should work to incentivize the creation of jobs, instead of imposing new fees.

Therefore, I respectfully ask that you reconsider establishing the proposed fee and/or that you indefinitely suspend its implementation date. I look forward to working with you on this issue and thank you in advance for your consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Abel Herrero".

Abel Herrero  
State Representative, District 34

cc: Commissioner Christi Craddick  
Commissioner Ryan Sitton



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