

Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists

Good afternoon:

You are being sent this email because you are licensed by TBPG or have expressed interest in TBPG activity in the past.

TBPG is committed to open communication with its stakeholders. For this reason, we will be instituting quarterly e-mail updates regarding TBPG activities. These e-mails will include summaries of TBPG quarterly Board meetings, proposed and/or adopted rules and advisory opinions, TBPG newsletters, and other similar items.

Please note that agendas for all TBPG Board and Committee meetings, as well as any rule-making actions and advisory opinions, are posted on the TBPG website and in the Texas Register.

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Board Meeting Summary

Highlights from the February 17, 2012 Board Meeting

- 1) TBPG has approved suspending all activity related to AOR #6 (related to the research exemption in the TBPG statute) and to withdraw the draft advisory opinion.
- 2) TBPG adopted Advisory Opinion #7 (AOR #7) as posted in the Texas Register, which relates to the statutory exemption in 1002.252(3) pertaining to oil, gas, or other energy resources, base metals, or precious or nonprecious minerals, including sand, gravel, or aggregate.
- 3) TBPG approved taking no action on AORs #8, 9, and 10 because the requestor withdrew those requests.
- 4) The Chairman announced that Dr. Judy Reeves has submitted a resignation from the Board to Governor Rick Perry, but that she remains a member of the Board until a replacement has been appointed.
- 5) TBPG has proposed an amendment to 851.29, regarding the

portability of licensure, which appears in the March 16, 2012 edition of the Texas Register. Public comments will be received through April 15, 2012.

6) The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. in Austin, Texas.

Customer Service Survey

How can we serve you better?

TBPG would like to invite you to participate in a <u>Customer Service Survey</u>, which is available from our website, in order to obtain feedback from TBPG licensees and stakeholders regarding our customer service. The survey is short; it will take 1-2 minutes of your time, and participation is anonymous.

Surveys that are completed by **Sunday**, **April 22**, **2012** will be included in TBPG's 2012 Report on Customer Service. This report is submitted by TBPG to the Governor's Office of Budget, Planning and Policy and to the Legislative Budget Board as part of the agency's biennial Strategic Plan. These reports and the results of the survey will be made available on the TBPG website later this summer.

Thank you in advance for your input. Your participation will assist us in improving our customer service.

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