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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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December 9, 2024

Derek Mason, VP - Operations
Compliance Assurance Associates
682 Orvil Smith Rd.
Harvest, AL. 35749

VIA-EMAIL

Re: **Compliance Assurance Associates**
Virtual Reality (VR) Delivery Method – EPA Approved & TCEQ OL Training Audited 2024
TCEQ Previously Approved - *Smoke School in Texas*

Dear Derek Mason:

This notice of approval is in response to your application (assigned # 7686) received December 3, 2024, requesting approval of the referenced training. The application and supporting documentation, including the Independent Third-Party Review/Oversight of CAA's VR Study report and EPA approval letter, comply with Title 30, Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 30 and meets requirements in the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) regulatory guidance document RG-373: *Approval of Training for Occupational Licensing*. Also referenced for course review were 30 TAC Chapter 30 Subchapter L: Visible Emissions Evaluator Training and Certification, relevant parts of 30 TAC Chapter 111: Control of Air Pollution from Visible Emissions & Particulate Matter, EPA-650/4-75-009 Evaluation and Collaborative Study of Method for Visual Determination of Opacity of Emissions from Stationary Sources, and the EPA ALT-152 Alternative Method for Method 9 Certification Training.

This training is approved for the new EPA Approved, **Virtual Reality Delivery Method for Visible Emission Evaluators certified** in the State of Texas who complete the approved training in its entirety with the understanding training will not promote or endorse the products, product lines, or services of any manufacturer, distributor, or service provider.

As a reminder, training must be presented as approved, credit hours can only be issued for successfully completed training, and total credit hours should be rounded down to the nearest half-hour for reporting. Use the following approved provider and training codes along with the *Training Roster On-Line Submittal (TROLS)* procedure to electronically report completed approved training.

Provider Name & Code(ID): **COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE ASSOCIATES, INC., 0671**
Course Title & Code: **VISIBLE EMISSIONS EVALUATOR COURSE (VEEC), 0559**

If you have any questions or need assistance regarding occupational training approval, you may contact me at (512) 239-6534 or at samantha.royall@tceq.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Samantha Royall".

Samantha Royall, Training Analyst
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Occupational Licensing & Registration Division
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