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## TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

July 12, 2016

Mr. Gary Boyd Director, Environmental Programs Williamson County Conservation Foundation 219 Perry Mayfield Leander, Texas 78641

Re: Expired LIRAP Funds

Dear Mr. Boyd:

As previously discussed in our June 13, 2016 meeting, Low Income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program (LIRAP) funds dating back to Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 and through FY 2013 should be returned to the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Section 3, Special Terms and Conditions of TCEQ Contract No. 582-12-20269 only authorizes the use of funds for the year issued and the two fiscal years immediately following the issuance.

Although TCEQ staff approved financial status reports and budgets that showed the carryover of these funds, the contract did not allow the use of funds that exceeded the timeline mentioned above. We concur with the county's spreadsheet that \$585,936.02 of expired funds should be returned to the TCEQ. Please submit a letter of de-obligation and make payment to the TCEQ in the amount of \$585,936.02 to:

TCEQ Cashier's Office, MC 214 P.O. Box 13088 Austin, TX 78711-3088

Additionally, as discussed in the meeting, FY 2014 funds cannot be spent after August 31, 2016. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. David Serrins at (512) 239-1954 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:david.serrins@tceq.texas.gov">david.serrins@tceq.texas.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Donna F. Huff, Manager Air Quality Planning Section