**The following is a template to assist operators in drafting an attestation. It is a sample of the type of information that can be submitted in the attestation.**

WEATHER EMERGENCY READINESS ATTESTATION

Submitted by [Authorized Representative Name]

For [Operator Name, Operator P-5 Number]

[Date]

I, [Authorized Representative name], am a representative of [Name of Operator required to submit attestation], Operator Number [Operator P-5 number], authorized by [Name of Operator required to submit attestation] to submit and sign this *Weather Emergency Readiness Attestation*, submitted on [Date]. I certify under penalties prescribed by Texas Natural Resources Code §91.143 that:

* [Operator Name] implemented the required emergency preparation measures described in 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §3.66(c);
* The information and statements made in this *Weather Emergency Readiness Attestation* and its attachments are true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge; and
* This *Weather Emergency Readiness Attestation* was prepared by me or under my supervision and direction.

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Name of Authorized Representative Authorized Representative Signature Date

Attachments:

Attachment A – Description of Operator and type of facilities required to weatherize

Attachment B – Required Weather Emergency Preparedness Measures

Attachment C – [Title][[1]](#footnote-1)

Attachment A – Description of Operator and type of facilities required to weatherize

This attestation describes the activities engaged in by [Operator Name] to implement the requirements of 16 TAC §3.66, including the weatherization methods utilized by [Operator Name] to weatherize each type of facility required to weatherize under 16 TAC §3.66.

[Operator Name] operates the following types of facilities required to weatherize under 16 TAC §3.66:

[List types of facilities required to weatherize and operated by the operator submitting the attestation]

Example Attachment B – Required Weather Emergency Preparedness Measures 16 TAC §3.66(d)(2) and (3)

The following are the weather emergency preparedness measures required by 16 TAC §3.66(c) and (b)(8), and a description of [Operator Name]’s actions to implement the required measures.

1. Providing training on weather emergency preparations and operations to relevant operational personnel (16 TAC §3.66(c)(2)(A))

[Describe actions taken by operator to provide training on weather emergency preparations and operations to relevant operational personnel[[2]](#footnote-2)]

1. Consideration of the risk to the health and safety of employees (16 TAC §3.66(c)(2)(B))

[Explain how operator considered the risk to the health and safety of its employees in determining how to implement required emergency preparedness measures]

1. Consideration of protection of the environment (16 TAC §3.66(c)(2)(B))

[Explain how the operator considered protection of the environment in determining how to implement required emergency preparedness measures]

1. Weatherization[[3]](#footnote-3) of facilities

Weatherization required by 16 TAC §3.66 is weatherization using methods a reasonably prudent operator would take.

1. [Facility Type 1][[4]](#footnote-4)
   * 1. [Describe what actions were taken to correct critical component failures that occurred during previous weather emergencies, if applicable]
     2. [Describe what equipment was installed to mitigate weather-related operational risks]
     3. [Describe internal inspections, self-assessments, and processes implemented to identify, test, and protect critical components]
     4. [Describe how facility-specific factors[[5]](#footnote-5) were considered in implementing required weatherization methods]

1. [Facility Type 2][[6]](#footnote-6)
   * 1. [Describe what actions were taken to correct critical component failures that occurred during previous weather emergencies, if applicable]
     2. [Describe what equipment was installed to mitigate weather-related operational risks]
     3. [Describe internal inspections, self-assessments, and processes implemented to identify, test, and protect critical components]
     4. [Describe how facility-specific factors[[7]](#footnote-7) were considered in implementing required weatherization methods]
2. [Continue as necessary, listing more facility types if additional weatherization methods need to be described]

1. Operator may include additional attachments if needed. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. If different personnel were trained differently depending on their role, the operator may explain how different roles were trained and why specific training methods were chosen. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Weatherization is defined as the iterative cycle of preparedness for sustained operation during weather emergencies that includes: (1) correcting critical component failures that occurred during previous weather emergencies; (2) installing equipment to mitigate weather-related operational risks; and (3) internal inspection, self-assessment, and implementation of processes to identify, test, and protect critical components. (§3.66(b)(8)) [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. An attestation may group facilities together if similar weatherization measures were implemented for those types of facilities. An operator may also list individual facilities and describe a specific weatherization technique if the measures implemented for the specific facility depart from what the operator generally implemented for that type of facility. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Section 3.66(c)(2) requires weatherization methods to be based on the following facility-specific factors: facility type, facility age, facility location, facility critical components, and weather data for the facility’s county or counties. Weather data developed by the state climatologist for each county is available here: https://www.rrc.texas.gov/critical-infrastructure/weatherization/). [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. An attestation may group facilities together if similar weatherization measures were implemented for those types of facilities. An operator may also list individual facilities and describe a specific weatherization technique if the measures implemented for the specific facility depart from what the operator generally implemented for that type of facility [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. Section 3.66(c)(2) requires weatherization methods to be based on the following facility-specific factors: facility type, facility age, facility location, facility critical components, and weather data for the facility’s county or counties. Weather data developed by the state climatologist for each county is available here: https://www.rrc.texas.gov/critical-infrastructure/weatherization/). [↑](#footnote-ref-7)