

Application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property

SECTION 2: Applicant Information (continued)

4. Authorized Company Consultant (If Applicable)

Sam	Gregson
First Name	Last Name
Senior Consultant	
Title	
Cummings Westlake LLC	
Firm Name	
713-266-4456	713-266-2333
Phone Number	Fax Number
sgregson@cwlp.net	
Business Email Address	

SECTION 3: Fees and Payments

1. Has an application fee been paid to the school district? Yes No

The total fee shall be paid at time of the application is submitted to the school district. Any fees not accompanying the original application shall be considered supplemental payments.

1a. If yes, attach in **Tab 2** proof of application fee paid to the school district.

For the purpose of questions 2 and 3, "payments to the school district" include any and all payments or transfers of things of value made to the school district or to any person or persons in any form if such payment or transfer of thing of value being provided is in recognition of, anticipation of, or consideration for the agreement for limitation on appraised value.

2. Will any "payments to the school district" that you may make in order to receive a property tax value limitation agreement result in payments that are not in compliance with Tax Code §313.027(i)? Yes No N/A

3. If "payments to the school district" will only be determined by a formula or methodology without a specific amount being specified, could such method result in "payments to the school district" that are not in compliance with Tax Code §313.027(i)? Yes No N/A

SECTION 4: Business Applicant Information

1. What is the legal name of the applicant under which this application is made? Praxair, Inc.

2. List the Texas Taxpayer I.D. number of entity subject to Tax Code, Chapter 171 (11 digits) 10612490507

3. List the NAICS code 325120

4. Is the applicant a party to any other pending or active Chapter 313 agreements? Yes No

4a. If yes, please list application number, name of school district and year of agreement
App #13; Port Arthur ISD; 8/19/2003, App #217; Port Arthur ISD; 8/23/2012; App #1144; Brazosport ISD

SECTION 5: Applicant Business Structure

1. Identify Business Organization of Applicant (corporation, limited liability corporation, etc) Corporation

2. Is applicant a combined group, or comprised of members of a combined group, as defined by Tax Code §171.0001(7)? Yes No

2a. If yes, attach in **Tab 3** a copy of Texas Comptroller Franchise Tax Form No. 05-165, No. 05-166, or any other documentation from the Franchise Tax Division to demonstrate the applicant's combined group membership and contact information.

3. Is the applicant current on all tax payments due to the State of Texas? Yes No

4. Are all applicant members of the combined group current on all tax payments due to the State of Texas? Yes No N/A

5. If the answer to question 3 or 4 is no, please explain and/or disclose any history of default, delinquencies and/or any material litigation, including litigation involving the State of Texas. (If necessary, attach explanation in **Tab 3**)

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SECTION 14: Wage and Employment Information

1. What is the estimated number of permanent jobs (more than 1,600 hours a year), with the applicant or a contractor of the applicant, on the proposed qualified property during the last complete quarter before the application review start date (date your application is finally determined to be complete)? 0

2. What is the last complete calendar quarter before application review start date:
 First Quarter Second Quarter Third Quarter Fourth Quarter of 2016
(year)

3. What were the number of permanent jobs (more than 1,600 hours a year) this applicant had in Texas during the most recent quarter reported to the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC)? 1,247
Note: For job definitions see TAC §9.1051 and Tax Code §313.021(3).

4. What is the number of new qualifying jobs you are committing to create? 18

5. What is the number of new non-qualifying jobs you are estimating you will create? 0

6. Do you intend to request that the governing body waive the minimum new qualifying job creation requirement, as provided under Tax Code §313.025(f-1)? Yes No
 - 6a. If yes, attach evidence in **Tab 12** documenting that the new qualifying job creation requirement above exceeds the number of employees necessary for the operation, according to industry standards.

7. Attach in **Tab 13** the four most recent quarters of data for each wage calculation below, including documentation from the TWC website. The final actual statutory minimum annual wage requirement for the applicant for each qualifying job — which may differ slightly from this estimate — will be based on information from the four quarterly periods for which data were available at the time of the application review start date (date of a completed application). See TAC §9.1051(21) and (22).
 - a. Average weekly wage for all jobs (all industries) in the county is 1,336.00
 - b. 110% of the average weekly wage for manufacturing jobs in the county is 1,744.00
 - c. 110% of the average weekly wage for manufacturing jobs in the region is 1,163.00

8. Which Tax Code section are you using to estimate the qualifying job wage standard required for this project? §313.021(5)(A) or §313.021(5)(B)

9. What is the minimum required annual wage for each qualifying job based on the qualified property? 60,484.00

10. What is the annual wage you are committing to pay for each of the new qualifying jobs you create on the qualified property? 60,484.00

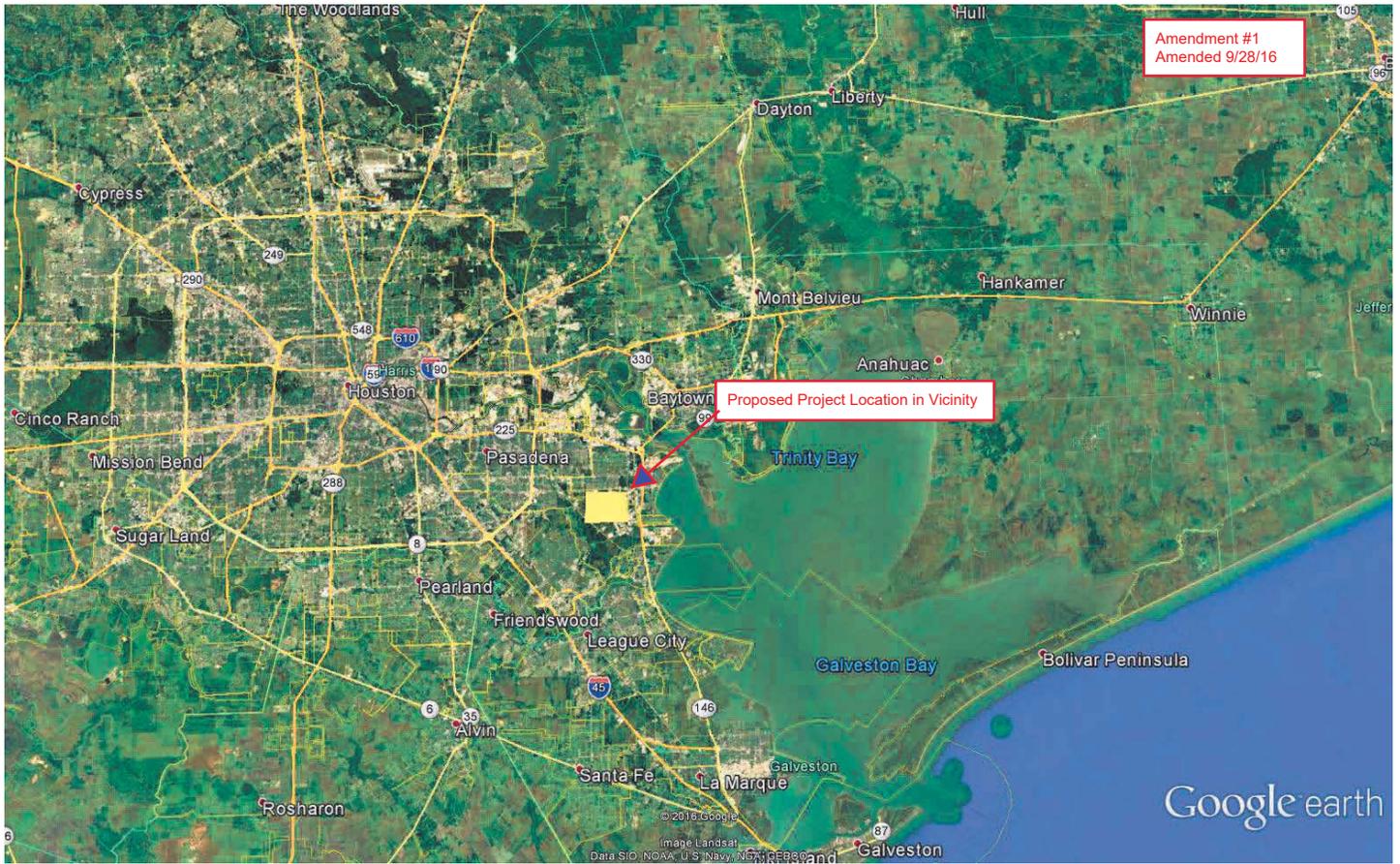
11. Will the qualifying jobs meet all minimum requirements set out in Tax Code §313.021(3)? Yes No

12. Do you intend to satisfy the minimum qualifying job requirement through a determination of cumulative economic benefits to the state as provided by §313.021(3)(F)? Yes No
 - 12a. If yes, attach in **Tab 12** supporting documentation from the TWC, pursuant to §313.021(3)(F).

13. Do you intend to rely on the project being part of a single unified project, as allowed in §313.024(d-2), in meeting the qualifying job requirements? Yes No
 - 13a. If yes, attach in **Tab 6** supporting documentation including a list of qualifying jobs in the other school district(s).

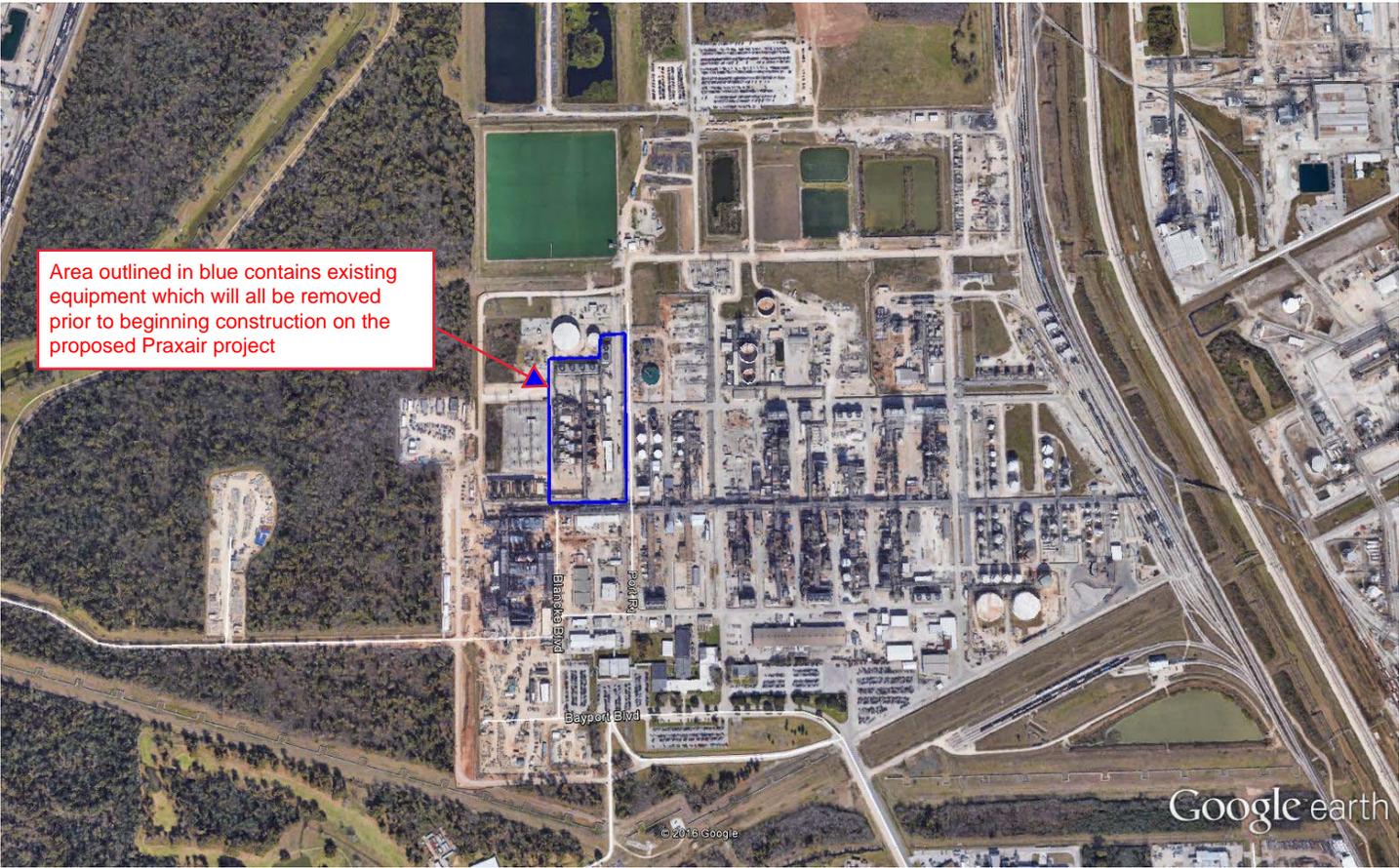
SECTION 15: Economic Impact

1. Complete and attach Schedules A1, A2, B, C, and D in **Tab 14**. Note: Excel spreadsheet versions of schedules are available for download and printing at URL listed below.
2. Attach an Economic Impact Analysis, if supplied by other than the Comptroller's Office, in **Tab 15**. (*not required*)
3. If there are any other payments made in the state or economic information that you believe should be included in the economic analysis, attach a separate schedule showing the amount for each year affected, including an explanation, in **Tab 15**.



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Area outlined in blue contains existing equipment which will all be removed prior to beginning construction on the proposed Praxair project

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Quarterly Employment and Wages (QCEW)

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Year	Period	Area	Ownership	Division	Level	Ind Code	Industry	Avg Weekly Wages
2015	1st Qtr	Harris County	Total All	31	2	31-33	Manufacturing	\$1,832
2016	1st Qtr	Harris County	Total All	31	2	31-33	Manufacturing	\$1,675
2015	2nd Qtr	Harris County	Total All	31	2	31-33	Manufacturing	\$1,513
2015	3rd Qtr	Harris County	Total All	31	2	31-33	Manufacturing	\$1,471
2015	4th Qtr	Harris County	Total All	31	2	31-33	Manufacturing	\$1,682

**PRAXAIR LA PORTE PROJECT
TAB 13 TO CHAPTER 313 APPLICATION**

**HARRIS COUNTY
CHAPTER 313 WAGE CALCULATION - ALL JOBS - ALL INDUSTRIES**

QUARTER	YEAR	AVG WEEKLY WAGES*	ANNUALIZED
FIRST	2016	\$ 1,422	\$ 73,944
SECOND	2015	\$ 1,255	\$ 65,260
THIRD	2015	\$ 1,253	\$ 65,156
FOURTH	2015	\$ 1,414	\$ 73,528
AVERAGE		\$ 1,336	\$ 69,472

**HARRIS COUNTY
CHAPTER 313 WAGE CALCULATION - MANUFACTURING JOBS**

QUARTER	YEAR	AVG WEEKLY WAGES*	ANNUALIZED
FIRST	2016	\$ 1,675	\$ 87,100
SECOND	2015	\$ 1,513	\$ 78,676
THIRD	2015	\$ 1,471	\$ 76,492
FOURTH	2015	\$ 1,682	\$ 87,464
AVERAGE		\$ 1,585	\$ 65,946
X		110%	110%
		\$ 1,743.78	\$ 72,541.04

CHAPTER 313 WAGE CALCULATION - REGIONAL WAGE RATE

YEAR	AVG WEEKLY WAGES*	ANNUALIZED
2015	\$ 1,057	\$ 54,985
X	110%	110%
	\$ 1,163	\$ 60,484

* SEE ATTACHED TWC DOCUMENTATION



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SECTION 16: Authorized Signatures and Applicant Certification

After the application and schedules are complete, an authorized representative from the school district and the business should review the application documents and complete this authorization page. Attach the completed authorization page in Tab 17. **NOTE: If you amend your application, you will need to obtain new signatures and resubmit this page, Section 16, with the amendment request.**

1. Authorized School District Representative Signature

I am the authorized representative for the school district to which this application is being submitted. I understand that this application is a government record as defined in Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code.

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Lloyd Graham

Print Name (Authorized School District Representative)

Superintendent

Title

sign here

[Handwritten Signature]
Signature (Authorized School District Representative)

Date

05 Oct 16

2. Authorized Company Representative (Applicant) Signature and Notarization

I am the authorized representative for the business entity for the purpose of filing this application. I understand that this application is a government record as defined in Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code. The information contained in this application and schedules is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I hereby certify and affirm that the business entity I represent is in good standing under the laws of the state in which the business entity was organized and that no delinquent taxes are owed to the State of Texas.

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Samir Serhan

Print Name (Authorized Company Representative (Applicant))

President, Global Hydrogen

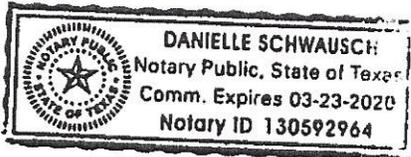
Title

sign here

[Handwritten Signature]
Signature (Authorized Company Representative (Applicant))

Date

29 September 2016



(Notary Seal)

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this, the

29 day of September, 2016

[Handwritten Signature]
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

My Commission expires: 03-23-2020

If you make a false statement on this application, you could be found guilty of a Class A misdemeanor or a state jail felony under Texas Penal Code Section 37.10.