

MEMBER ALERT!

COVID-19 (coronavirus) Update

April 30, 2020

Construction & Turnarounds During COVID-19

TCC has received several member inquiries regarding the resumption of new or paused plant construction and/or turn-arounds during the COVID-19 pandemic. Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-18¹ specifies that Critical Infrastructure Sectors, including the chemical sector, as identified by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce (CISA) are deemed essential and allowed to continue all operations.

TCC has consulted with and confirmed with the Governor's office that construction within the chemical industry can continue under all active Executive Orders. This includes construction on new projects, existing projects, expansions, and turn-arounds.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Sam Gammage, TCC General Counsel, at Gammage@texaschemistry.org or 512-646-6403.

¹ CISA guidelines were first referenced in <u>GA-14</u>. This was later clarified in <u>GA-16</u> (expires 4/30/2020), and continued in <u>GA-18</u>.