Notice Regarding Access to Commercial Nongame Dealer Customer Information

Under section 11.030 of the Parks and Wildlife Code, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission is required to adopt rules regarding the disclosure of customer information. A customer includes a person that purchases a permit from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD).

The TPWD rules about customer information were revised in July 2004. Under these rules, if a member of the public requests the name, address, or telephone number of a commercial customer of TPWD, TPWD will disclose that information, unless the customer has advised TPWD in writing that he or she does not wish to have that information disclosed. However, TPWD will not disclose an individual's social security, driver's license, bank account, credit card, and charge card numbers for commercial nongame dealer permit holders, unless otherwise mandated by law.

Commercial nongame dealer permit holders are considered commercial customers. Therefore, TPWD will disclose your name, address and telephone number upon request, unless you notify TPWD in writing that you do not wish for this information to be disclosed. If you do not make an election, your name, address, and/or telephone will be released to the public, upon request.

If you elect not to have this information disclosed, TPWD will not disclose your name, address and/or telephone number, unless otherwise required by law. However, if TPWD is asked whether you currently have or previously had a commercial nongame dealer permit, TPWD will answer *yes* or *no*.

Regardless of your election, TPWD may disclose the name, address and telephone number of a corporation, partnership, or business. Also, other information related to your permit file may be considered public under the Texas Public Information Act.

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