

Exhibit A



RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
Mentor/Protégé Program
MENTOR APPLICATION

Application Submission Date: _____

Federal Tax Number: _____

Company Name: _____

Company Address: _____

Business Type: _____

Length of Time in Business: _____

Contact Person: _____

Contact Person's Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Do you currently have a state contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> No _____

Please describe your company's interest and goal in becoming a mentor through the Railroad Commission of Texas (RRC) mentoring program:

Please provide information regarding prior mentoring experience:

Please identify possible area(s) in which your company has work experience and can provide developmental guidance that you can make available to potential protégé. (Check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Business Management	<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance / Bonding
<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Management	<input type="checkbox"/> Personnel Management
<input type="checkbox"/> Production	<input type="checkbox"/> Inventory Control
<input type="checkbox"/> Marketing	<input type="checkbox"/> Quality Assurance
<input type="checkbox"/> Equipment and Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/> Project Management
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	

Are you currently participating in any other mentor/protégé program?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Are you currently involved in a mentor/protégé relationship?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Number of Protégés you are willing to mentor		Amount of time you are willing to spend as the mentor?	_____/hrs/week or _____/days/month

Are you in "good standing" with the State of Texas and not in violation of any state statutes, rules or governing policies?
 Yes () No ()

Does your company have any specialized education and/or training that you can make available to assist protégé in their development needs? If yes, please describe:

Is your company (representative) willing to attend a mandatory meeting conducted by RRC?
 Yes () No ()

Is the company willing to provide progress reports as required by the Mentor Protégé Agreement?
 Yes () No ()

Is your company willing to enter into a written agreement with a protégé outlining the goals and objectives of your potential mentor/protégé relationship through the RRC?	() Yes () No
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Liability Statement:

I understand that participation in the Mentor/Protégé Program is voluntary and is neither a guarantee for a contract opportunity nor a promise of business; but the program's intent is to foster positive long-term business relationships. I agree to report on the progress made relative to the Mentor/Protégé Agreement as indicated in the Agreement.

Confidentiality Statement:

The mentor shall not disclose or use for any purpose other than performance of its responsibilities, any and all privileged records or other confidential or proprietary information divulged, developed or subject to or pursuant to this agreement.

Signature of Mentor Applicant

Title

Company