

GALVESTON COUNTY



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July 20, 2026

Honorable Judge Henry
Galveston County Judge
722 Moody, Suite 200
Galveston, Texas 77550

Dear Judge Henry:

As you are aware, the Affordable Care Act imposes an annual fee on sponsors of self-insured health plans to support the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI). This fee is submitted with IRS Form 720 and is due by July 31. The amount is based on the average number of lives covered by the health plan over the four quarters of the preceding benefit year.

For Galveston County, the supporting report and fee calculation have been prepared by Alliant Insurance Services, Inc., our health plan's third-party administrator. The County Auditor's Office has completed IRS Form 720 based on this calculation.

The total fee for the thirteenth annual filing, covering the 2025 benefit-plan year, is \$7,019.52, based on a rate of \$3.84 per average covered life.

Attached for your review and signature is the completed IRS Form 720. Once signed, please have your staff return it to Lauren Swift in my office. She will retain the signed form and ensure it is mailed along with the corresponding payment, which is being processed through the County's accounts payable system.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sergio Cruz".

Sergio Cruz
County Auditor

Quarterly Federal Excise Tax Return

See the Instructions for Form 720.
Go to www.irs.gov/Form720 for instructions and the latest information.

OMB No. 1545-0023

Check here if:

- ☐ Final return
☐ Address change

Name

Galveston County, Texas

Quarter ending

06/30/2026

Number, street, and room or suite no.
(If you have a P.O. box, see the instructions.)

722 Moody, 4th Floor

Employer identification number

74-6000908

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

Galveston, Texas 77550

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Part I

IRS No.	Environmental Taxes (attach Form 6627; ODCs are ozone-depleting chemicals)		Tax	IRS No.
53	Domestic petroleum superfund tax*			53
	Reserved for future use			
16	Imported petroleum products superfund tax			16
	Reserved for future use			
54	Chemicals (other than ODCs)			54
17	Imported chemical substances			17
98	ODCs			98
19	ODC tax on imported products			19
	Communications and Air Transportation Taxes (see instructions)		Tax	
22	Local telephone service and teletypewriter exchange service			22
26	Transportation of persons by air*			26
28	Transportation of property by air*			28
27	Use of international air travel facilities*			27
	Fuel Taxes	Number of gallons	Rate	Tax
60	(a) Diesel, tax on removal at terminal rack		\$.244	60
	(b) Diesel, tax on taxable events other than removal at terminal rack		.244	
	(c) Diesel, tax on sale or removal of biodiesel mixture (not at terminal rack)		.244	
104	Diesel-water fuel emulsion		.198	104
105	Dyed diesel, LUST tax		.001	105
107	Dyed kerosene, LUST tax		.001	107
119	LUST tax, other exempt removals (see instructions)		.001	119
35	(a) Kerosene, tax on removal at terminal rack (see instructions)		.244	35
	(b) Kerosene, tax on taxable events other than removal at terminal rack		.244	
69	Kerosene for use in aviation (see instructions)		.219	69
77	Kerosene for use in commercial aviation (other than foreign trade)		.044	77
111	Kerosene for use in aviation, LUST tax on nontaxable uses		.001	111
79	Other fuels (see instructions)			79
62	(a) Gasoline, tax on removal at terminal rack		.184	62
	(b) Gasoline, tax on taxable events other than removal at terminal rack		.184	
13	Any liquid fuel used in a fractional ownership program aircraft (see instructions)		.141	13
14	Aviation gasoline*		.194	14
112	Liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) (see instructions)		.183	112
118	"P Series" fuels		.184	118
120	Compressed natural gas (CNG) (see instructions)		.183	120
121	Liquefied hydrogen		.184	121
122	Fischer-Tropsch process liquid fuel from coal (including peat)		.244	122
123	Liquid fuel derived from biomass		.244	123
124	Liquefied natural gas (LNG) (see instructions)		.243	124

* See instructions to ensure correct rate.

IRS No.		Rate	Tax	IRS No.	
33	Retail Tax —Truck, trailer, and semitrailer chassis and bodies, and tractor	12% of sales price		33	
29	Ship Passenger Tax Transportation by water	Number of persons \$3 per person		29	
	Other Excise Taxes	Amount	Rate	Tax	
31	Obligations not in registered form		\$.01		31
155	Remittance transfers		1% of transfer		155
	Foreign Insurance Taxes —Policies issued by foreign insurers	Premiums paid	Rate	Tax	IRS No.
30	Casualty insurance and indemnity bonds		\$.04		
	Life insurance, sickness and accident policies, and annuity contracts		.01		30
	Reinsurance		.01		
	Manufacturer's Taxes	Number of tons	Sales price		
36	Coal—Underground mined		\$1.10 per ton		36
37			4.4% of sales price		37
38	Coal—Surface mined		\$.55 per ton		38
39			4.4% of sales price		39
108	Taxable tires other than bias ply or super single tires	Number of tires		Tax	IRS No.
109	Taxable bias ply or super single tires (other than super single tires designed for steering)				109
113	Taxable tires, super single tires designed for steering				113
40	Gas guzzler tax. Attach Form 6197. Check if one-time filing ☐				40
97	Vaccines (see instructions)				97
		Sales price			
	Reserved for future use				
1	Total. Add all amounts in Part I. Complete Schedule A unless one-time filing ☐		\$		

Part II

IRS No.	Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Fee (see instructions)	(a) Avg. number of lives covered (see inst.)	(b) Rate for avg. covered life	(c) Fee (see instructions)	Tax	IRS No.
	Specified health insurance policies					
	(a) With a policy year ending before October 1, 2025		\$3.47			
	(b) With a policy year ending on or after October 1, 2025, and before October 1, 2026		\$3.84			
133	Applicable self-insured health plans				7,019.52	133
	(c) With a plan year ending before October 1, 2025		\$3.47			
	(d) With a plan year ending on or after October 1, 2025, and before October 1, 2026	1,828	\$3.84	7,019.52		
			Rate	Tax		
41	Sport fishing equipment (other than fishing rods and fishing poles)		10% of sales price			41
110	Fishing rods and fishing poles (limits apply, see instructions)		10% of sales price			110
42	Electric outboard motors		3% of sales price			42
114	Fishing tackle boxes		3% of sales price			114
44	Bows, quivers, broadheads, and points		11% of sales price			44
106	Arrow shafts		\$.65 per shaft			106
140	Indoor tanning services		10% of amount paid			140
		Number of gallons	Rate	Tax		
64	Inland waterways fuel use tax		\$.29			64
125	LUST tax on inland waterways fuel use (see instructions)		.001			125
51	Section 40 fuels (see instructions)					51
117	Biodiesel sold as but not used as fuel					117
20	Floor stocks tax—Ozone-depleting chemicals. Attach Form 6627.					20
150	Repurchase of corporate stock. Attach Form 7208.					150
142	Sales of designated drugs during statutory periods.					142
2	Total. Add all amounts in Part II			\$	7,019.52	

Part III

3	Total tax. Add Part I, line 1, and Part II, line 2	3	7,019	52
4	Claims (see instructions; complete Schedule C)	4		
5	Deposits made for the quarter	5		
	☐ Check here if you used the safe harbor rule to make your deposits.			
6	Overpayment from previous quarters	6		
7	Enter the amount from Form 720-X included on line 6, if any	7		
8	Add lines 5 and 6	8		
9	Add lines 4 and 8	9		
10	Balance Due. If line 3 is greater than line 9, enter the difference on line 10. See instructions and www.irs.gov/Pay for details on how to pay. Pay the full amount with the return. (See instructions.)	10	7,019	52
11	Overpayment. If line 9 is greater than line 3, enter the difference on 11a	11a		
	Enter the amount from line 11a you want:			
11b	Applied to your next Form 720	11c	Refunded	
11d	Routing number (9 digits)	11e	Type: ☐ Checking ☐ Savings	
11f	Account number (up to 17 digits)			

Third Party Designee	Do you want to allow another person to discuss this return with the IRS? (See instructions.) ☐ Yes. Complete the following. ☒ No	
	Designee's name	Phone no. Personal identification number (PIN)
Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.	
	Signature 	Date
	Type or print name below signature Mark Henry	Title County Judge
Paid Preparer Use Only	Preparer's name	Preparer's signature
	Firm's name	Firm's EIN
	Firm's address	Phone no.
	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed PTIN

Schedule A Excise Tax Liability (see instructions)

Note: You must complete Schedule A if you have a liability for any tax in Part I of Form 720. Don't complete Schedule A for Part II taxes or for a one-time filing of the gas guzzler tax.

1 Regular method taxes

(a) Record of Net Tax Liability	Period	
	1st–15th day	16th–last day
First month	A	B
Second month	C	D
Third month	E	F
Special rule for September*	G	

(b) Net liability for regular method taxes. Add the amounts for each semimonthly period.

2 Alternative method taxes (IRS Nos. 22, 26, 28, and 27)

(a) Record of Taxes Considered as Collected	Period	
	1st–15th day	16th–last day
First month	M	N
Second month	O	P
Third month	Q	R
Special rule for September*	S	

(b) Alternative method taxes. Add the amounts for each semimonthly period.

*Complete only as instructed (see instructions).

Schedule T Two-Party Exchange Information Reporting (see instructions)

Fuel	Number of gallons
Diesel fuel , gallons received in a two-party exchange within a terminal, included on Form 720, IRS No. 60(a)	
Diesel fuel , gallons delivered in a two-party exchange within a terminal	
Kerosene , gallons received in a two-party exchange within a terminal, included on Form 720, IRS No. 35(a), 69, 77, or 111	
Kerosene , gallons delivered in a two-party exchange within a terminal	
Gasoline , gallons received in a two-party exchange within a terminal, included on Form 720, IRS No. 62(a)	
Gasoline , gallons delivered in a two-party exchange within a terminal	
Aviation gasoline , gallons received in a two-party exchange within a terminal, included on Form 720, IRS No. 14	
Aviation gasoline , gallons delivered in a two-party exchange within a terminal	

Schedule C Claims

Month your income tax year ends

- **Complete Schedule C for claims only if you are reporting liability in Part I or II of Form 720.**
- Attach a statement explaining each claim as required. Include your name and EIN on the statement. (See instructions.)

Caution: Claimant has the name and address of the person(s) who sold the fuel to the claimant, the dates of purchase, and if exported, the required proof of export. For claims on lines 1a and 2b (type of use 13 and 14), 3c, 4b, and 5, claimant hasn't waived the right to make the claim.

1 Nontaxable Use of Gasoline		Note: CRN is credit reference number.		Period of claim		
	Type of use	Rate	Gallons	Amount of claim	CRN	
a Gasoline (see Caution above line 1)		\$.183		\$	362	
b Exported (see Caution above line 1)		.184			411	

2 Nontaxable Use of Aviation Gasoline		Period of claim			
	Type of use	Rate	Gallons	Amount of claim	CRN
a Used in commercial aviation (other than foreign trade)*		\$.15		\$	354
b Other nontaxable use (see Caution above line 1)*		.193			324
c Exported (see Caution above line 1)*		.194			412
d LUST tax on aviation fuels used in foreign trade		.001			433

3 Nontaxable Use of Undyed Diesel Fuel		Period of claim			
Claimant certifies that the diesel fuel did not contain visible evidence of dye.					
Exception. If any of the diesel fuel included in this claim did contain visible evidence of dye, attach a detailed explanation and check here ☐					
	Type of use	Rate	Gallons	Amount of claim	CRN
a Nontaxable use		\$.243		\$	360
b Use in trains		.243			353
c Use in certain intercity and local buses (see Caution above line 1)		.17			350
d Use on a farm for farming purposes		.243			360
e Exported (see Caution above line 1)		.244			413

4 Nontaxable Use of Undyed Kerosene (Other Than Kerosene Used in Aviation)		Period of claim			
Claimant certifies that the kerosene did not contain visible evidence of dye.					
Exception. If any of the kerosene included in this claim did contain visible evidence of dye, attach a detailed explanation and check here ☐					
Caution: Claims cannot be made on line 4 for kerosene sales from a blocked pump.					
	Type of use	Rate	Gallons	Amount of claim	CRN
a Nontaxable use		\$.243		\$	346
b Use in certain intercity and local buses (see Caution above line 1)		.17			347
c Use on a farm for farming purposes		.243			346
d Exported (see Caution above line 1)		.244			414
e Nontaxable use taxed at \$.044		.043			377
f Nontaxable use taxed at \$.219*		.218			369

5 Kerosene Used in Aviation (see Caution above line 1)		Period of claim			
	Type of use	Rate	Gallons	Amount of claim	CRN
a Kerosene used in commercial aviation (other than foreign trade) taxed at \$.244		\$.200		\$	417
b Kerosene used in commercial aviation (other than foreign trade) taxed at \$.219*		.175			355
c Nontaxable use (other than use by state or local government) taxed at \$.244		.243			346
d Nontaxable use (other than use by state or local government) taxed at \$.219*		.218			369
e LUST tax on aviation fuels used in foreign trade		.001			433

* See instructions to ensure correct rate.

6 Nontaxable Use of Alternative Fuel**Caution:** There is a reduced credit rate for use in certain intercity and local buses (type of use 5). (See instructions.)

	Type of use	Rate	Gallons, or gasoline or diesel gallon equivalents	Amount of claim	CRN
a	Liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) (see instructions)	\$.183		\$	419
b	"P Series" fuels	.183			420
c	Compressed natural gas (CNG) (see instructions)	.183			421
d	Liquefied hydrogen	.183			422
e	Fischer-Tropsch process liquid fuel from coal (including peat)	.243			423
f	Liquid fuel derived from biomass	.243			424
g	Liquefied natural gas (LNG) (see instructions)	.243			425
h	Liquefied gas derived from biomass	.183			435

7 Sales by Registered Ultimate Vendors of Undyed Diesel Fuel

Period of claim _____

Registration number _____

Claimant certifies that it sold the diesel fuel at a tax-excluded price, repaid the amount of tax to the buyer, or has obtained written consent of the buyer to make the claim. Claimant certifies that the diesel fuel didn't contain visible evidence of dye.

Exception. If any of the diesel fuel included in this claim **did** contain visible evidence of dye, attach a detailed explanation and check here ☐

	Rate	Gallons	Amount of claim	CRN
a Use by a state or local government	\$.243		\$	360
b Use in certain intercity and local buses	.17			350

8 Sales by Registered Ultimate Vendors of Undyed Kerosene (Other Than Kerosene for Use in Aviation)

Period of claim _____

Registration number _____

Claimant certifies that it sold the kerosene at a tax-excluded price, repaid the amount of tax to the buyer, or has obtained the written consent of the buyer to make the claim. Claimant certifies that the kerosene didn't contain visible evidence of dye.

Exception. If any of the kerosene included in this claim **did** contain visible evidence of dye, attach a detailed explanation and check here ☐

	Rate	Gallons	Amount of claim	CRN
a Use by a state or local government	\$.243		\$	346
b Sales from a blocked pump	.243			
c Use in certain intercity and local buses	.17			347

9 Sales by Registered Ultimate Vendors of Kerosene for Use in Aviation

Registration number _____

- See **Caution** above line 1.

- Claimant sold the kerosene for use in aviation at a tax-excluded price and hasn't collected the amount of tax from the buyer, repaid the amount of tax to the buyer, or has obtained written consent of the buyer to make the claim. See the instructions for additional information to be submitted.

	Type of use	Rate	Gallons	Amount of claim	CRN
a	Use in commercial aviation (other than foreign trade) taxed at \$.219	\$.175		\$	355
b	Use in commercial aviation (other than foreign trade) taxed at \$.244	.200			417
c	Nonexempt use in noncommercial aviation*	.025			418
d	Other nontaxable uses taxed at \$.244	.243			346
e	Other nontaxable uses taxed at \$.219*	.218			369
f	LUST tax on aviation fuels used in foreign trade	.001			433

10 Sales by Registered Ultimate Vendors of Gasoline

Registration number _____

Claimant sold the gasoline at a tax-excluded price and hasn't collected the amount of tax from the buyer, repaid the amount of tax to the buyer, or has obtained written consent of the buyer to take the claim; and obtained an unexpired certificate from the buyer and has no reason to believe any information in the certificate is false. See the instructions for additional information to be submitted.

	Rate	Gallons	Amount of claim	CRN
a Use by a nonprofit educational organization	\$.183		\$	362
b Use by a state or local government	.183			

11 Sales by Registered Ultimate Vendors of Aviation Gasoline

Registration number _____

Claimant sold the aviation gasoline at a tax-excluded price and hasn't collected the amount of tax from the buyer, repaid the amount of tax to the buyer, or has obtained written consent of the buyer to take the claim; and obtained an unexpired certificate from the buyer and has no reason to believe any information in the certificate is false. See the instructions for additional information to be submitted.

	Rate	Gallons	Amount of claim	CRN
a Use by a nonprofit educational organization*	\$.193		\$	324
b Use by a state or local government*	.193			

* See instructions to ensure correct rate.

12 Reserved for future use					
		Number of gallons sold or used	Amount of claim		CRN
a	Reserved for future use		\$		
b	Reserved for future use				
c	Reserved for future use				
d	Reserved for future use				
13 Reserved for future use					
	Rate	Gallons, or gasoline or diesel gallon equivalents (see instructions)	Amount of claim		CRN
a	Reserved for future use		\$		
b	Reserved for future use				
c	Reserved for future use				
d	Reserved for future use				
e	Reserved for future use				
f	Reserved for future use				
g	Reserved for future use				
h	Reserved for future use				
i	Reserved for future use				
14 Other claims. See the instructions. For lines 14b and 14c, see the Caution above line 1 on page 5.			Amount of claim		CRN
a	Section 4051(d) tire credit (tax on vehicle reported on IRS No. 33)		\$		366
b	Exported dyed diesel fuel and exported gasoline blendstocks taxed at \$.001				415
c	Exported dyed kerosene				416
d	Diesel-water fuel emulsion				
e	Registered credit card issuers				
		Number of tires	Amount of claim		CRN
f	Taxable tires other than bias ply or super single tires		\$		396
g	Taxable tires, bias ply or super single tires (other than super single tires designed for steering)				304
h	Taxable tires, super single tires designed for steering				305
i	Chemicals (other than ODCs)				454
j	Imported chemical substances				317
k					
15	Total claims. Add amounts on lines 1 through 14. Enter the result here and on Form 720, Part III, line 4.		15		

Form 720-V, Payment Voucher

Purpose of Form

Complete Form 720-V if you're making a payment by check or money order with Form 720, Quarterly Federal Excise Tax Return. We will use the completed voucher to credit your payment more promptly and accurately, and to improve our service to you.

If you have your return prepared by a third party and a payment is required, provide this payment voucher to the return preparer.

Don't file Form 720-V if you're paying the balance due on line 10 of Form 720 using EFTPS.

Specific Instructions

Box 1. If you don't have an EIN, you may apply for one online by visiting www.irs.gov/EIN. You may also apply for an EIN by faxing or mailing Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to the IRS. However, if you're making a one-time filing, enter your social security number.

Box 2. Enter the amount paid from line 10 of Form 720.

Box 3. Darken the circle identifying the quarter for which the payment is made. Darken **only one circle**.

Box 4. Enter your name and address as shown on Form 720.

- Enclose your check or money order made payable to "United States Treasury." Be sure to enter your EIN (SSN for one-time filing), "Form 720," and the tax period on your check or money order. Don't send cash. Don't staple this voucher or your payment to the return (or to each other).

- Detach the completed voucher and send it with your payment and Form 720. See *Where To File* in the Instructions for Form 720.

Form **720-V** (2026)

Detach here and mail with your payment and Form 720.

Form 720-V Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service		Payment Voucher		OMB No. 1545-0023	
		Don't staple or attach this voucher to your payment.		20 26	
1 Enter your employer identification number (EIN). See instructions.		2 Enter the amount of your payment. Make your check or money order payable to "United States Treasury."		Dollars	Cents
				7,019	52
3 Tax period		4 Enter your business name (individual name if sole proprietor).			
☐ 1st Quarter	☐ 3rd Quarter	Galveston County, Texas			
☒ 2nd Quarter	☐ 4th Quarter	Enter your address. 722 Moddy (21st Street), 4th Floor			
		Enter your city or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code. Galveston, Texas 77550			