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**NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN SOLUTION-MINED
STORAGE CAVERN OPERATIONS IN TEXAS**

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Abstract:

The paper summarizes significant events involving salt cavern storage operations in Texas during the five-year period from September 2003 through September 2008. During this period several new storage facilities were permitted, significant expansions of existing facilities authorized, major mechanical or operational problems addressed, and regulatory rule amendments adopted. In addition, many existing storage properties were transferred from one operator to another, some multiple times. In short, there has been a lot of activity in the storage industry in Texas within the past five years.

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