



**TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPROVES
\$4,679,000 IN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE CITY
OF ALAMO TO FINANCE A WASTEWATER PROJECT**

AUSTIN – (December 15, 2011) – The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) today approved by resolution \$4,679,000 in financial assistance, consisting of a \$4,400,000 grant and a \$279,000 loan from the Economically Distressed Areas Program to the City of Alamo (Hidalgo County) to finance wastewater system improvements.

The City of Alamo (City) will use these funds to construct a wastewater collection system to serve five economically distressed areas within the City's extra-territorial jurisdiction. The project will provide first-time wastewater service to an estimated 315 residences in the areas known as Guadalupe, Campo Alto, Salazar, Rancho Escondido and Val-Bar. The project consists of the installation of gravity lines and force mains, rehabilitation of a current lift station, and construction of a new lift station.

The City is located six miles east of the City of McAllen on Highway 83. The City provides water and sewer service to approximately 4,200 connections.

The TWDB is the state agency charged with collecting and disseminating water-related data, assisting with regional planning and preparing the State Water Plan for the development of the state's water resources. The TWDB administers cost-effective financial programs for the construction of water supply, wastewater treatment, flood control, and agricultural water conservation projects.