NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT AND THE PROPOSED SIGNIFICANT MODIFICATION OF FEDERALLY MANDATED OPERATING PERMIT AND PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION NOTIFICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District solicits public comment on the proposed issuance of Authority To Construct to Berry Petroleum Company for operation in Midway Sunset oilfield, CA, which has been issued a Title V permit. Berry Petroleum Company is requesting that Certificates of Conformity, with the procedural requirements of 40 CFR Part 70, be issued with this project. The proposed ATCs are subject to the requirements of Rule 2201 – New and Modified Stationary Source Review and Rule 2410 – Prevention of Significant Deterioration.

Berry is requesting Authorities to Construct (ATC) for four (4) new 85 MMBtu/hr natural gas-fired steam generators, an increase in the number of thermally enhanced oil recovery (TEOR) wells from 875 to 1015 for TEOR operation S-1246-296, and authorization of the combustion of TEOR vapors in any of the four new steam generators. These proposed modifications will result in a significant emission increase, subject to the requirements of Rule 2410, of 217,793 ton/year of CO2e. There is no increment consumption of any attainment pollutant.

The analysis of the regulatory basis for these proposed actions, Project #S-1111128, is available for public inspection at http://www.valleyair.org/notices/public_notices_idx.htm and the District office at the address below. If requested by the public, the District will hold a public hearing regarding proposed issuance of the subject ATCs.

Written comments on the proposed initial permit must be submitted within 30 days of the publication date of this notice to DAVID WARNER, DIRECTOR OF PERMIT SERVICES, SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT, 34946 FLYOVER COURT, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93308.