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NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR THE PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AN 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 Unified Air Pollution Control District solicits public comment on the proposed issuance of Authority to Construct (ATC) permits to Berry Petroleum Company's operation in the Midway Sunset oilfield, 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 Petroleum Company is requesting ATCs for four (4) new 85 MMBtu/hr natural gas-fired steam generators and to lower the NOx emission limits for five (5) steam generators. The proposed modifications will result in a significant emissions increase, subject to the requirements of Rule 2410, of 174,236 tons/year of CO₂e. There is no increment consumption of any pollutant.

The analysis of the legal and factual basis for this proposed action, Project #S-1124502, is available for public inspection at

http://www.valleyair.org/notices/public_notices_idx.htm and at any District office. This will be the public's only opportunity to comment on the specific conditions of the modification. If requested, the District will hold a public hearing regarding proposed issuance of the subject ATCs. For additional information, please contact the District at (661) 392-5500.

Written comments on the proposed project must be submitted by October 28, 2013 to DAVID WARNER, DIRECTOR OF PERMIT SERVICES, SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY UNIFIED AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT, 34946 FLYOVER COURT, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93308-9725.