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Ben Pitman Pitman Family Farms 1075 North Ave Sanger, CA 93657

RE: Notice of Final Action - Authority to Construct

Facility Number: S-8950 Project Number: S-1163804

Dear Mr. Pitman:

The Air Pollution Control Officer has issued the Authority to Construct permits to Pitman Family Farms for the modification of an existing broiler chicken ranch to increase the size of the flock from 249,200 chickens to 654,200 chickens by constructing 12 new broiler chicken houses, which will each have capacity to house 33,750 chickens, and to add conditions for compliance with District Rule 4570, at 39200 Road 80, Dinuba, CA. Enclosed are the Authority to Construct permits and a copy of the notice of final action to be published approximately three days from the date of this letter.

Notice of the District's preliminary decision to issue the Authority to Construct permits was published on November 20, 2017. The District's analysis of the proposal was also sent to CARB on November 15, 2017. No comments were received following the District's preliminary decision on this project.

Also enclosed is an invoice for the engineering evaluation fees pursuant to District Rule 3010. Please remit the amount owed, along with a copy of the attached invoice, within 60 days.

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Executive Director/Air Pollution Control Officer

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Errol Villegas at (559) 230-6000.

Sincerely,

Arnaud Marjollet

Director of Permit Services

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Tung Le, CARB (w/enclosure) via email





# **AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT**

**PERMIT NO:** S-8950-1-0

**ISSUANCE DATE: 12/21/2017** 

**LEGAL OWNER OR OPERATOR: PITMAN FAMILY FARMS** 

MAILING ADDRESS:

1075 NORTH AVE SANGER, CA 93657

LOCATION:

39200 ROAD 80 DINUBA, CA

### **EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**

MODIFICATION OF BROILER CHICKEN RANCH CONSISTING OF 249,200 BROILERS; 17 NATURALLY VENTILATED BROILER HOUSES, INCLUDING ELECTRIC FANS TOTALING 48.5 ELECTRIC HP: INCREASE BROILER CHICKENS TO 654,200 AND CONSTRUCT 12 NEW MECHANICALLY VENTILATED BROILER HOUSES (33,750 BIRDS EACH); IMPLEMENT MITIGATION MEASURES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH DISTRICT RULE 4570

### CONDITIONS

- Particulate matter emissions shall not exceed 0.1 grains/dscf in concentration. [District Rule 4201] 1.
- Upon presentation of appropriate credentials, a permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the District to 2. enter the permittee's premises where a permitted source is located or emissions related activity is conducted, or where records must be kept under condition of the permit. [District Rule 1070]
- Upon presentation of appropriate credentials, a permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the District to have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of the permit. [District Rule 10701
- If a licensed veterinarian or a certified nutritionist determines that any VOC mitigation measure will be required to be suspended as a detriment to animal health or necessary for the animal to molt, the owners/operators must notify the District in writing within forty-eight (48) hours of the determination including the duration and the specific health condition requiring the mitigation measure to be suspended. If the situation is expected to exist longer than a thirty-day (30) period, the owner/operator shall submit a new emission mitigation plan designating a mitigation measure to be implemented in lieu of the suspended mitigation measure. [District Rule 4570]
- Emissions from the broiler chicken ranch shall not exceed any of the following limits: 0.02 lb-PM10/bird/year; 0.016 lb-VOC/bird/year; or 0.0958 lb-NH3/bird/year. [District Rule 2201]

CONDITIONS CONTINUE ON NEXT PAGE

YOU MUST NOTIFY THE DISTRICT COMPLIANCE DIVISION AT (661) 392-5500 WHEN CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED AND PRIOR TO OPERATING THE EQUIPMENT OR MODIFICATIONS AUTHORIZED BY THIS AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT. This is NOT a PERMIT TO OPERATE. Approval or denial of a PERMIT TO OPERATE will be made after an inspection to verify that the equipment has been constructed in accordance with the approved plans, specifications and conditions of this Authority to Construct, and to determine if the equipment can be operated in compliance with all Rules and Regulations of the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District. Unless construction has commenced pursuant to Rule 2050, this Authority to Construct shall expire and application shall be cancelled two years from the date of issuance. The applicant is responsible for complying with all laws, ordinances and regulations of all other governmental agencies which may pertain to the above equipment.

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- 6. The number of birds housed in the 280 ft x 40 ft broiler house (located near the northeast corner of the facility) shall not exceed 14,000 birds at any one time. The number of birds housed in each of the four 252 ft x 40 ft broiler houses (located in the northeast section of the facility) shall not exceed 12,600 birds at any one time. The number of birds housed in each of the twelve 308 ft x 40 ft broiler houses (located along the eastern side of the facility) shall not exceed 15,400 birds at any one time. The number of birds housed in each of the twelve 500 ft x 54 ft mechanically ventilated broiler houses (located along the western side of the facility) shall not exceed 33,750 birds at any one time. [District Rule 2201]
- 7. Permittee shall feed all animals according to National Research Council (NRC) guidelines. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
- 8. Permittee shall maintain records of feed content, formulation, and quantity of feed additive utilized, to demonstrate compliance with National Research Council (NRC) guidelines. Records such as feed company guaranteed analyses (feed tags), ration sheets, or feed purchase records may be used to meet this requirement. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
- 9. Permittee shall use a dry housing cleaning method at all times, except when a wet cleaning method is required for animal health or biosecurity issues. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
- 10. Permittee shall maintain records to demonstrate that a dry housing cleaning method is maintained. For times when a wet cleaning method is required, the reason should be included as part of the records. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
- 11. Permittee shall use drinkers that do not drip continuously. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
- 12. Permittee shall inspect drinkers at least once every seven (7) days and adjust the height, volume, and location of drinkers if necessary. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
- 13. Permittee shall record the date that drinkers are inspected dates adjustments were made to the height, volume, and location of drinkers. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
- 14. Permittee shall inspect water pipes and drinkers and repair leaks daily. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
- 15. Permittee shall maintain records indicating that water pipes and drinkers are inspected daily and that any leaks are repaired. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
- 16. Permittee shall use acidifying litter amendments in the 500 ft. x 54 ft. broiler houses. The amendments shall be applied in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. [District Rule 2201]
- 17. Permittee shall maintain records that acidifying litter amendments are used per the manufacturer's recommendations. [District Rule 2201]
- 18. All mortality in each 500 ft. x 54 ft. broiler house shall be removed at least once per day. [District Rule 2201]
- 19. Permittee shall maintain daily records of mortality removal in each broiler house. [District Rule 2201]
- 20. Permittee shall maintain a record of the number of animals of each species and production group in each broiler house and shall maintain quarterly records of any changes to this information. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
- 21. Permittee shall keep and maintain all records for a minimum of five (5) years and shall make records available to the APCO and EPA upon request. [District Rules 1070 and 4570]
- 22. This permit does not authorize the violation of any conditions established for this facility in the Conditional Use Permit (CUP), Special Use Permit (SUP), Site Approval, Site Plan Review (SPR), or other approval documents issued by a local, state, or federal agency. [Public Resources Code 21000-21177: California Environmental Quality Act]
- 23. Only the facility owner or facility employee(s) shall live in the residence located on the western edge of this facility's boundary (at approximately Latitude: 36°30'1.3"N and Longitude: 119°23'39"W). [District Rule 4102]





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MAILING ADDRESS: 1075 NORTH AVE

SANGER, CA 93657

LOCATION: 39200 ROAD 80 DINUBA, CA

### **EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**

MODIFICATION OF SOLID MANURE HANDLING SYSTEM WITH LITTER HAULED OFFSITE: ALLOW FOR AN INCREASE IN SOLID MANURE HANDLED DUE TO THE INCREASE IN BROILER CHICKEN FLOCK SIZE AUTHORIZED BY AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT (ATC) S-8950-1-0; IMPLEMENT MITIGATION MEASURES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH DISTRICT RULE 4570

## CONDITIONS

- 1. Upon presentation of appropriate credentials, a permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the District to enter the permittee's premises where a permitted source is located or emissions related activity is conducted, or where records must be kept under condition of the permit. [District Rule 1070]
- 2. Upon presentation of appropriate credentials, a permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the District to have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of the permit. [District Rule 1070]
- 3. If a licensed veterinarian or a certified nutritionist determines that any VOC mitigation measure will be required to be suspended as a detriment to animal health or necessary for the animal to molt, the owners/operators must notify the District in writing within forty-eight (48) hours of the determination including the duration and the specific health condition requiring the mitigation measure to be suspended. If the situation is expected to exist longer than a thirty-day (30) period, the owner/operator shall submit a new emission mitigation plan designating a mitigation measure to be implemented in lieu of the suspended mitigation measure. [District Rule 4570]
- 4. Within seventy two (72) hours of removal of solid manure from housing, permittee shall either 1) remove all litter/manure from the facility, or 2) cover litter/manure outside the housing with a weatherproof covering from October through May, except for times when wind events remove the covering, not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours per event. [District Rule 4570]

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- 5. Permittee shall keep records of dates when litter/manure is removed from the facility; manure hauling invoices may be used to meet this requirement, or permittee shall maintain records to demonstrate that litter/manure piles outside the pens are covered with a weatherproof covering from October through May. [District Rule 4570]
- 6. If weatherproof coverings are used, permittee shall maintain records, such as manufacturer warranties or other documentation, demonstrating that the weatherproof covering over dry manure are installed, used, and maintained in accordance with manufacturer recommendations and applicable standards listed in NRCS Field Office Technical Guide Code 313 or 367, or any other applicable standard approved by the APCO, ARB, and EPA. [District Rule 4570]
- 7. Permittee shall keep and maintain all records for a minimum of five (5) years and shall make records available to the APCO and EPA upon request. [District Rules 1070 and 4570]
- 8. This permit does not authorize the violation of any conditions established for this facility in the Conditional Use Permit (CUP), Special Use Permit (SUP), Site Approval, Site Plan Review (SPR), or other approval documents issued by a local, state, or federal agency. [Public Resources Code 21000-21177: California Environmental Quality Act]