## San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District CENTRAL REGION HEARING BOARD MEETING

Central Region Office Video Teleconference (VTC) Room 1990 E. Gettysburg, Fresno, CA 93726

## **ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES**

Wednesday, August 20, 2008

Meeting held in the Video Teleconferencing Room (Room only) in the Central Region, Fresno, CA

## **AGENDA**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Chair, Jerry Boren, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Gerry Mulligan - Public Present
Robert Schumacher - Public Present
James Waterman - Attorney Present
Dr. James Glaser - Medical Present
Jerry Boren - Engineer Present

Staff present— Central Region (Fresno): Catherine Redmond, District Counsel; Wayne Clarke, Compliance Manager; Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Inspector, Michelle Banuelos, Sr. Office Assistant, Vicki Christie, Sr. Office Assistant.

- 3. Approval of the Minutes from April 16, 2008. The Chair asked if there were any comments. Hearing none, the Chair declared the Minutes approved as submitted.
- 4. Public Hearing:

The Chair swore in all those present to testify for all matters.

A. Docket No. Type Short

Company Name
Chevron USA, Inc.
Coalinga Oilfield
Coalinga, CA 93210

Petitioners: Larry Landis

Patrick Houlihan presented the report; noting a correction on page 4, condition number 8b, which reads:

"In lieu of surrendering ERCs, CUSA can opt to pay five dollars (\$5) for each pound of excess VOC emissions. Payment shall occur within 30 days of achieving compliance." TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"In lieu of surrendering ERCs, CUSA can opt to pay three dollars and seventy- five cents (\$3.75) for each pound of excess VOC emissions. Payment shall occur within 30 days of achieving compliance."

Mr. Landis of Chevron USA, Inc., stated the District's Staff report was accurate in describing Chevron's situation. Mr. Landis added that Chevron USA, Inc. is a facility with an active vapor control system and this is scheduled maintenance they are trying to perform. Chevron USA, Inc. requested a short variance period for a cumulative seven day period to occur between August 20, 2008, and November 18, 2008. Mr. Landis wished to clarify Condition number 7, page four, which reads:

"Old casing collection piping shall be purged with nitrogen and that purged gas shall be introduced into the new casing collection system. Besides small incremental venting of casing gas for safety reasons, no venting into the atmosphere shall occur." TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"Old casing collection piping shall be purged with nitrogen and that purged gas shall be introduced into the new casing collection system. Besides small incremental venting of casing gas for safety reasons or for steam generator operation, no venting into the atmosphere shall occur."

Mr. Waterman asked how close the facility is to the nearest habitation or school. Mr. Houlihan answered that the facility is about five miles northwest of the town of Coalinga, and is actually upwind, and does not perceive any problems.

Mr. Boren asked if the \$3.75 per pound is going to remain as the standard now. Mr. Houlihan answered that yes, it is now going to be the standard.

Public Comment – No Public Comment

Moved: Waterman Seconded: Mulligan

Ayes: Mulligan, Schumacher, Waterman, Glaser, Boren

Nays: None

The Hearing Board voted unanimously to pass the Motion to grant the variance subject to the conditions as amended in the staff report.

- 5. The Central Region heard no emergency variance orders.
- 6. <u>Public Comments:</u> No public comments.
- 7. HEARING BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: No comments.
- 8. <u>New Business</u>: Mr. Houlihan indicated this was the last meeting to be held in the Central Region's VTC Room. The next meeting will be held in the Governing Board Room.
- 9. Next Scheduled Meeting: Wednesday, September 17, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held in the Central Region Governing Board Room, with the other regions participating via VTC.
- 10. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>
  The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.