Action Summary Minutes

CENTRAL REGION HEARING BOARD MEETING

Central Region Office Governing Board Room

1990 E. Gettysburg Ave., Fresno, CA 93726 **Wednesday, June 16, 2010, 10:00 a.m.**

MINUTES

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Chair, Jerry Boren, called the meeting to order at 10:2 a.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**:

Jerry Boren, Chair – Engineer Present
Robert Schumacher – public Present
Jim Waterman – attorney Present
Gerry Mulligan – Public Present
Dr. James Glaser, M.D. - medical Present

Staff present – Central Region (Fresno): Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Specialist; Ryan Hayashi, Supervising Air Quality Specialist; Catherine Redmond, District Counsel; Lynn Sargenti, Senior Office Assistant; Michelle Franco, Clerk to the Boards

3. Approval of Minutes from May 19, 2010

4. **PUBLIC HEARING**:

The Chair asked the Clerk to verify that all items had been properly noticed. The Clerk responded that they had. All those present to testify were sworn in by the Chair. The Chair asked that the agenda packet and any addenda brought forth to be entered into the official record.

A. C-10-11S Chevron USA, Inc.

29J Oil Cleaning Plant

Kettleman North Dome Oil Field

Kettleman City, CA

Petitioners: Larry Landis, David Godbold

Mr. Houlihan presented the staff report. Mr. Landis of Chevron accepted the staff report without changes or comments.

Mr. Mulligan asked the petitioner if the trucks have a vapor recovery system. Mr. Landis explained that there is a loading rack that does control vapors off the trucks and returns them back to the same vapor control system as the tanks. They currently have an Authority to Construct for installing an additional meter on to that system.

Public Comment: No public comments.

Moved: Waterman Seconded: Mulligan

Ayes: Waterman, Schumacher, Mulligan, Boren, Glaser

Nos: None Abstain: None

The Hearing Board voted unanimously to grant the variance.

B. C-10-12S Guardian Fabrication, Inc.

1485 E. Curtis Ave. Reedley, CA 93654

Petitioners: Phillip Newel, Stan Parvanian

Mr. Houlihan presented the staff report.

Mr. Parvanian informed the Board that the generator was installed in 2005 to reduce the peak power requirements of the plant on a continual basis so as to reduce the in-coming power demand of PG&E.

Mr. Newell explained that since the facility is a co-generation plant, it also produces hot water which allows them to shut-down the natural gas-fired boiler which they used previously. This allows them to get both the heat and the electrical energy from each unit.

Mr. Boren asked what triggered the Notice of Violation. Mr. Houlihan informed the Board that rather than a routine inspection, Guardian Fabrication contacted the District as soon as they were aware that they were out of compliance.

At this time, the petitioners stated they agree with the staff report.

Moved: Mulligan Second: Glaser

Ayes: Waterman, Schumacher, Mulligan, Boren, Glaser

Nos: None Abstain: None

The Hearing Board voted unanimously to grant the variance.

C. C-10-13S Calaveras Materials, Inc.

2095 E. Central Ave. Fresno, CA 93725

Petitioners: Burton Gilpin, Corey Viran, Stuart Mager

Mr. Houlihan presented the staff report.

Mr. Mulligan asked about the dates of the variance. Mr. Houlihan explained that the District does allow for a variance to be back dated to the date the variance is filed. But it is not allowed to go back further than the date filed.

Mr. Gilpin proceeded to address the Board regarding the need for the variance. Mr. Gilpin explained that they are unable to source test during the winter months since they have to operate at 80% or higher to source test. During the winter months, they were not operating at the level to allow for source testing. They had proposed to source test in the spring when their production level would be increased, and did not realize until mid-April that they had a problem. Since that time they have been doing what they could to address the issue. He stated that they are currently 25% out on their NOX per unit and doing what they can to address the issue. They have agreed to reduce their daily production to 75% of what their permit allows.

Calaveras Materials had been told by Gencor, the manufacturer of the burners that the new burners would work. The burners are not operating at the level Gencor stated they would.

Discussion continued between the Board and the petitioners regarding the quality of aggregate being used and how the quality affects the amount of dust.

Mr. Mulligan asked about the operation of the drum flights. Mr. Major and Mr. Viran explained the functions of the flights and how they burn and

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control the dust. There was further discussion regarding other aggregate plants, their operating level and dust control measures.

Moved: Schumacher

Second: Glaser

Ayes: Waterman, Schumacher, Mulligan, Boren, Glaser

Nos: None Abstain: None

The Hearing Board voted unanimously agreed to grant the variance.

D. C-10-13S California Air National Guard

5323 E. McKinley Ave Fresno, CA 93725

The variance request was withdrawn.

- 5. The Central Region Hearing Board had not heard nor granted any emergency variances since the May 19, 2010 Hearing.
- 6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**: No public comments.
- 7. **HEARING BOARD COMMENTS**: None.
- 8. **NEW BUSINESS**: The Hearing Board was informed that on May 20, 2010, the Governing Board approved the increase in the stipend amount from \$100.00 to \$150.00.
- 9. **NEXT SCHECULED MEETING**: July 21, 2010. This meeting will be held in the Central Region Office (Fresno) in the Governing Board room.
- 10. **ADJOURNMENT**: The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:44 a.m.