

## Action Summary Minutes

### CENTRAL REGION HEARING BOARD MEETING

Central Region Office Governing Board Room

1990 E. Gettysburg Ave., Fresno, CA 93726

Wednesday, February 17, 2010, 10:00 a.m.

### MINUTES

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

The Vice-Chair, Robert Schumacher, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. **ROLL CALL:**

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

3. Approval of Minutes from January 20, 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-10-01S Saint Gobain Containers, Inc.  
24441 Avenue 12  
Madera, CA 93637

Petitioners: Todd Rosebrock, Sangeetha Anrunagiri

Patrick Houlihan presented the staff report. Mr. Houlihan explained that the current CEMS system is an antiquated system and the facility is unable to acquire replacement parts. The facility plans to replace the CEMS system on the common stack and the CEMS on each individual furnace.

The facility will also be repositioning the COMS monitor in the control room.

During installation of the new CEMS, the CEMS on the common stack will not be functioning. However, the facility hopes to keep the existing CEMS operating on each individual furnace while installing the new CEMS. They will shut the old one off once the new CEMS passes required certification.

The facility intends to reposition the COMS unit. This will need to be shut off during repositioning.

Mr. Houlihan explained that the variance request is necessary since there will be some intermittent down time on the equipment during installation of the new CEMS and repositioning of the COMS. He stated that there will not be any excess of emissions during the installation of the new equipment as this is not pollution control equipment.

Mr. Mulligan asked why the COMS equipment was being repositioned. Ms. Anrunagiri of Saint Gobain explained the process to the board.

There was some brief discussion between board members and facility petitioners regarding the equipment, manufacturing, and shipping.

The petitioners agreed with the district's staff report and did not have any comments to add.

Public Comment: No public comments.

Moved: Glaser  
Seconded: Mulligan

Ayes: Waterman, Schumacher, Mulligan, Glaser  
Nos: None  
Abstain: None

*The Hearing Board voted unanimously to grant the variance.*

B. C-10-02S Chevron USA, Inc.  
13D Oil Cleaning Plant  
Coalinga Oil Field  
Coalinga, CA

Petitioners: Larry Landis, Natalie Wagner, Bikky Summers

Mr. Houlihan presented the staff report. Chevron needs to shut down the whole VRS (Vapor Recovery System) while replacing the isolation valve on tank T-13 and a portion of the piping.

Mr. Houlihan explained that during the time that the VRS is shut down it is possible that some of the tanks will vent through the pressure relief valve should the pressure build up.

Mr. Houlihan stated the facility's current permit conditions allow for a high amount of emissions, so CUSA does not anticipate that they will have any excess emissions.

The petitioners agreed with the district's staff report.

Mr. Schumacher asked how long the existing units have been in operations without the need for replacement. Mr. Landis stated that it has been in operation for many years and that they have periodically replaced some parts.

Public Comment: No public comments.

Moved: Glaser  
Seconded: Mulligan

Ayes: Waterman, Schumacher, Mulligan, Glaser  
Nos: None  
Abstain: None

*The Hearing Board voted unanimously to grant the variance.*

5. The Central Region Hearing Board heard and approved one emergency variance requests since the January 20, 2010 Hearing. Docket C-10-03E, PPG Industries.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No public comments.

7. **HEARING BOARD COMMENTS:** None.
  
8. **NEW BUSINESS:** Mr. Houlihan responded to a question that Mr. Boren had asked at the January meeting regarding a variance petition heard and granted to Utility Vault. Mr. Boren asked how the excess VOC emissions of ½ pound per day released by Utility Vault during their variance period compares to overall VOC emissions throughout the valley. Mr. Houlihan stated that he had the Emission Inventory staff research this and found that 596 tons of VOC's are emitted per day throughout the valley. This includes stationary sources only and does not include mobile sources.  
  
Mr. Waterman asked if there had been any further news regarding the Hearing Board's request to raise the stipends. Mr. Houlihan stated that Mr. Sadredin agreed with the request and would bring this before the Governing Board for approval at the March or April board meeting.
  
9. **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:** March 17, 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 10:29 a.m.