

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

Central Region Office Governing Board Room
1990 E. Gettysburg Ave, Fresno, CA 93726

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, August 17, 2016

*Meeting held in the
Central Region Office (Fresno)*

1. Call Meeting to Order

The Chair, Jerry Boren, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Jerry Boren (Chair) – Engineer	Present
Loraine Goodwin – Medical	Present
Gerry Mulligan – Public	Present
Daniel Hartwig – Public	Present

Staff Present:

Central Region (Fresno): Jessi Fierro, Assistant District Counsel; Michael Carrera, Air Quality Compliance Manager; Clay Bishop, Supervising Air Quality Specialist; Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Specialist; Chris Kalashian, Air Quality Specialist; Crystal Bussard, Air Quality Specialist; Carol Flores, Operations and Program Support Supervisor

3. Approval of Consent Items 9-12

These items are routine in nature and are usually approved by a single vote. Prior to action by the Hearing Board, the public will be given the opportunity to comment on any consent item.

9. Approve Minutes of May 18, 2016

10. Stipulated Order of Abatement report

11. Emergency Variance

12. Next Schedule Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on September 21, 2016. The meeting will be held in the Central Region Office (Fresno) in the Governing Board room.

Public Comments: None

The Chair asked if there were any comments regarding Consent Items 9-12. Hearing no comments, on motion of Mr. Hartwig and seconded by Dr. Goodwin, unanimously passed, the consent items were approved as submitted.

4. Public Hearing

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

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
A. C-16-18S	Short	Chevron USA Inc. 15D Oil Cleaning Plant Coalinga Oil Field

Petitioners: Daniel Beck and Miguel Lopez

Mr. Kalashian presented the Staff Report.

Chevron has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2010, 2070, 2201, 2520, 4401, and 4623 in addition to applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested short variance period would be for a non-consecutive 45 day period to occur sometime between September 1, 2016, and November 29, 2016, inclusive. If granted, it would allow Chevron to continue to store VOC containing liquids in the subject tanks without a functional or operating VRS. In addition, it would also allow wells with closed casing gas collection vents to produce into storage tanks that are not controlled by a VRS.

The petitioners had no further comments.

Public Comments: None

Having decided the petition has met the required findings, on motion of Dr. Goodwin and seconded by Mr. Hartwig, unanimously passed, the petitioner was granted a short variance.

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
B. S-16-30S	Short	Chevron USA Inc. 26C Oil Cleaning Plant & Unit 3 Tank Battery Midway Sunset Oil Field

Petitioners: Kris Rickards and Sara Gordon

Ms. Bussard presented the Staff Report

Chevron has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2010, 2070, 2201, 2520, 4401, and 4623, in addition to applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested variance period would be for a non-consecutive 336-hour period to occur sometime between August 20, 2016, and November 17, 2016, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow Chevron to continue to store

VOC containing liquids in the subject tanks without an operating or functional VRS while Chevron conducts the maintenance. In addition, it will allow wells with closed casing gas vents to produce into tanks that do not have a functional or operating VRS.

Mr. Hartwig asked how the leak was caused. Ms. Gordon explained several inspections were performed where the leak was discovered and coating had failed. Mr. Hartwig asked if there were additional tanks where there may be a concern. Ms. Gordon said there was not this specific facility.

Public Comments: None

Having decided the petition has met the required finding, on motion of Mr. Mulligan and seconded by Mr. Hartwig, unanimously passed, the petitioner was granted a short variance.

5. Public Comments
None.

6. Hearing Board Comments
Mr. Mulligan asked if there were any updates on the biomass industry and the dying trees in the nearby hills. Mr. Houlihan said he knew of some devices being taken into the mountains to dispose of dead trees but did not hear about trees being brought to the biomass plants in town. He reviewed where the local biomass facilities are located.

7. New Business
None

8. Adjourn
The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.