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

Northern Region Office Video Teleconference (VTC) Room 4800 Enterprise Way, Modesto, CA 95356

## **ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES**

Wednesday, June 4, 2008

Meeting held via teleconferencing (VTC) with the Central Region Office (Fresno) participating via VTC.

## <u>AGENDA</u>

- 1. <u>Call Meeting to Order</u> The Chair, Mark Kanai, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL

Roger Gohring—public Present
Gerald Schneider—public Present
Steve Benak, MD—medical Present
Alexander Scheflo—engineer Absent
Mark A. Kanai (Chair)—attorney Present

Staff present—Northern Region (Modesto): Tom Busenbark, Senior Air Quality Inspector.

Central Region (Fresno): Catherine Redmond, District Counsel; Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Inspector, Wayne Clarke, Air Quality Compliance Manager, Ramon Norman, Air Quality Engineer II; Vicki Christie, Senior Office Assistant; Michelle Banuelos, Senior Office Assistant and Diane Falcon, Senior Office Assistant.

- 3. Approve Minutes of May, 2007-- The minutes were approved as submitted.
- 4. Public Hearing:

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

A. N-08-03R Regular Company Name

Gallo Cattle Company
10561 West Highway 140

Atwater, CA 95301 Petitioners: Ben Ewell, Carl Morris

Patrick Houlihan presented the report. Gallo has petitioned for a regular variance to study the whole system to determine if the biogas is being scrubbed adequately, to determine if the biogas pressure is being regulated properly and to determine of the correct size catalyst is being used. Results of findings during this variance will be used by the district to establish Best Available Control Technology (BACT) for dairy and confined animal facilities, covered lagoons, and digester gas control and destruction equipment.

Gallo was granted an emergency variance, Docket N-08-03E on March 21, 2008 to operate with excess NOx and CO emissions while waiting for a new catalyst to be installed. Gallo was granted an interim variance, Docket N-08-03i on May 7, 2008 to operate with excess emissions.

Mr. Gohring asked about setting a precedent with the length of time requested for this variance. Mr. Morris stated that because of the number of components being independently tested during this process it may take the entire time.

Public Comment: None

Motion: Schneider Second: Benak

Ayes: Gohring, Benak, Schneider, Kanai

Nays: None

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

- 5. <u>EMERGENCY VARIANCE--</u> The Northern Region hearing Board had not heard or approved an emergency variance order since the May 7, 2008 Hearing Board Meeting.
- 6. <u>Public Comments</u>-- No public comment.
- 7. HEARING BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS-- None
- 8. <u>New Business</u>-- No new business.
- 9. <u>NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING</u>--The next scheduled meeting is July 2, 2008. The Meeting will be held via video teleconferencing (VTC) in the Northern Region Office (Modesto) with the Central Region Office (Fresno) participating via VTC.
- 10. ADJOURN-- The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:09 a.m.