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

Northern Region Office Magnolia Room 4800 Enterprise Way, Modesto, CA 95356

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, November 3, 2010

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

MINUTES

- 1. <u>CALL MEETING TO ORDER</u> The Chair, Mark Kanai, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.
- 2. <u>Roll Call</u> Roger Gohring - Public Present Gerald Schneider - Public Present Steve Benak, MD - Medical Present Alexander Scheflo - Engineer Present Mark A. Kanai (Chair) - Attorney Present

Staff Present:

Northern Region (Modesto): Ron Giannone, Supervising Air Quality Inspector, Michael Hamaguchi Air Quality Inspector II.

Central Region (Fresno): Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Specialist, Ryan Hayashi, Supervising Air Quality Specialist, Michael Carrera, Compliance Manager, Catherine Redmond, Legal Counsel, Vicki Christie, Senior Office Assistant.

3. <u>APPROVE MINUTES OF October 6, 2010</u>

The Chair asked if there were any comments regarding the Minutes for October 6, 2010. Hearing no comments, the Chair declared the minutes were approved as submitted.

4. <u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>

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

	Docket No.	<u>Type</u>	Company Name
A.	N-10-07R	Regular	Owens-Brockway Glass Containers, Inc. 14700 W Schulte Road Tracy, CA 95377

Petitioners: Mark Tussing, Dan Armagost, Hank Wiegel

Patrick Houlihan presented the Staff Report.

Owens has requested a regular variance from the requirements of District Rules 1080, 2010, 2070.7.0, 2201, 2520, and 4354, in addition to the applicable conditions of the subject Authorities to Construct (ATCs) and Permit to Operate (PTO). The requested variance period would be for a period to occur sometime between January 1, 2011 and April 15, 2011. If granted, the variance would allow the subject furnaces to continue to operate beyond the Rule 4354 compliance deadline until the SO_x control equipment can be installed; and without any emissions controls while the switchover to the new equipment is being completed. In addition, it would also allow for the operation of the furnaces without a CEMS and COMS until the new systems can be certified.

The petitioner, Mark Tussing thanked Patrick Houlihan and agreed fully with the District's presentation of their petition and with the conditions in the staff report. He then said that this is the largest and most expensive project in Owens history. The company is fully committed to being in compliance with all the District's rules.

Gerald Schneider asked why the ATC application took one year to process. Owens replied that Owens and District had several modifications during the ATC process. Mr. Schneider asked for clarification of the fee for exceeding SOx. Patrick Houlihan explained that if the SOx exceeds 2,000 lbs. during the variance period, there will be a \$3.75 per lb. fee starting at one lb. Mr. Schneider's asked what would be the determining factor for measuring excess SOx? Mr. Houlihan explained that both Owens and the District will use CEMS read-outs during the switch over.

Public Comment: None

Motion:	Gohring
Second:	Scheflo

Ayes:Kanai, Scheflo, Gohring, Schneider, BenakNays:None

Having decided the petition has met the required findings, the Hearing Board voted to pass the Motion to grant the variance subject to the conditions of the staff report with the following changes:

Number 2 - Remove Rule 4001 from the conditions because it is not applicable. Add condition number ten from ATCs to item B, C, and D. Condition number 2 should read:

Relief shall be granted from the requirement of the applicable sections of District Rules 1080, 2010, 2070.7.0, 2201, 2520, and 4345, in addition to the following:

- A. Condition 7 of PTO N-593-0-3;
- B. Condition 3, 10, 17, 25, 28, 30, 43, and 44 of ATC N-593-10-14;
- C. Condition 3, 10, 17, 25, 28, 30, 42, and 43 of ATC N-593-12-12;
- D. Condition 3, 10, 17, 25, 28, 30, 43, and 44 of ATC N-593-13-10

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B. N-10-10S Short

Ripon Cogeneration 944 South Stockton Avenue Ripon, CA 95366

Petitioners: Robyn Hachigan, Jim Groff

Patrick Houlihan presented the Staff Report.

RIPON has requested a short variance from District Rules 2070.7.0, 2201, 2520 and 4703, in addition to conditions of the applicable Permit to Operate (PTOs). The requested short variance period would be for a cumulative total of 60 hours to occur from November 8, 2010 until November 12, 2010. If granted, the variance would allow RIPON to operate the subject turbine with excess NO_x and CO emissions while conducting the testing and commissioning of the synchronizer.

The petitioners thanked Patrick Houlihan for the District's accurate presentation of their petition.

Public Comment: None

Motion:	Schneider
Second:	Benak

Ayes:Kanai, Scheflo, Gohring, Schneider, BenakNays:None

Having decided the petition has met the required findings, the Hearing Board voted to pass the Motion to grant the variance subject to the conditions of the staff report.

5. <u>EMERGENCY VARIANCE</u>

The Northern Region Hearing Board has not heard nor granted any emergency variances since the October 6, 2010 Hearing.

- 6. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u> No public comment.
- 7. <u>HEARING BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS</u> No comment.
- 8. <u>New Business</u> No new business.

9. <u>NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING</u>

The next scheduled meeting is December 1, 2010. The meeting will be held via teleconferencing in the Northern Region Office (Modesto) with the Central Region Office (Fresno) participating via teleconferencing.

10. Adjourn

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.