

**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, March 2, 2011**

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

**MINUTES**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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	Present
Mark A. Kanai (Chair) - Attorney	Present

Staff Present:

Northern Region (Modesto): Ron Giannone, Supervising Air Quality Inspector

Central Region (Fresno): Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Specialist, Ryan Hayashi, Supervising Air Quality Specialist, Phil Jay, Legal Counsel, Vicki Christie, Acting as Clerk to the Board.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF February 2, 2011

The Chair asked if there were any comments regarding the Minutes for February 2, 2011. Hearing no comments, the Chair declared the minutes 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. N-11-06S	Short	Pilkington North America 500 E Louise Ave Lathrop, CA 95330

Petitioners: Xiaosong Wang

Patrick Houlihan presented the Staff Report.

Pilkington North America (PNA) is requesting a short variance from the requirements of the District Rules 2010, 2070.7.0, 2201, 2520, and 4101, in addition to the

conditions of the subject ATCs and PTOs. The requested short variance period would be for a period to occur between March 14, 2011 and March 31, 2011. If granted, the variance would allow for excess visible emissions while PNA cleans the furnaces ports and flues

Mr. Houlihan pointed out that PNA estimates visible emissions to be no greater than 80% opacity.

Mr. Kanai asked Mr. Wang how long he expected the cleaning process to take. Mr. Wang responded that it could possible take the entire variance period, but it might be a shorter time. It has been many years since this equipment was cleaned.

Mr. Goring asked if most of the emissions would be water vapor. Mr. Wang stated that it would be water vapor and particles.

Mr. Kanai asked if opacity is not a true indication of how much particulate is being omitted. Mr. Houlihan confirmed this statement.

Mr. Schneider asked how any public complaints will be handled in this situation. Mr. Houlihan explained that area inspectors and complainants will be informed that this facility is under variance at this time. Mr. Houlihan confirmed that all complaint calls are logged into a database.

Public Comment: None

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

5. EMERGENCY VARIANCE

The Northern Region Hearing Board heard one emergency variance since the February 2, 2011 Hearing.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment.

7. HEARING BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

No comment.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Phil Jay announced that after more than thirty years of Government service, he will be retiring on April 23, 2011.

9. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting is April 6, 2011. 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 10:15 a.m.