

**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, January 4, 2017**

*Meeting held via teleconferencing with the  
Central Region Office (Fresno) and the  
Northern Region Office (Modesto)*

1. Call Meeting to Order

The Chair, Mark Kanai, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Mark Kanai (Chair) – Attorney	Present
Gerald Schneider – Engineer	Present
Michael Smedshammer – Public	Present

Staff Present:

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

Central Region (Fresno): Jessi Fierro, Assistant District Counsel; Michelle Franco, Deputy Clerk to the Boards; Clay Bishop, Supervising Air Quality Specialist; Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Specialist; Artemiza Velasco, Senior Office Assistant

3. Approval of Consent Calendar Items 9-11

*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 December 7, 2016

10. Emergency Variance

11. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on February 1, 2017. The meeting will be held in the Northern Region Office (Modesto) with the Central Region Office (Fresno) included via VTC.

Public Comments: None

Moved:	Schneider
Seconded:	Smedshammer
Ayes:	Schneider, Smedshammer, Kanai
Nays:	None

**Motion unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar Items 9-11**

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-16-16S	Short	Pacific Ethanol Stockton, LLC 3028 Navy Drive Stockton, CA 95206

Petitioners: Kyle King

Mr. Houlihan presented the Staff Report.

Pacific Ethanol Stockton has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, and 4623 in addition to the applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested short variance would be for a consecutive 24-hour period to occur sometime January 4, 2017, and January 31, 2017, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow for continued ethanol fermentation while the RTO and scrubbers are shut down for the proposed work.

The petitioner had no further comments.

Public Comments: None

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

5. Public Comments

None

6. Hearing Board Member Comments

None

7. New Business

The Chair requested nominations for the position of Chair and Vice Chair. On motion of Mr. Schneider and seconded by Mr. Smedshammer, Mr. Kanai was unanimously elected Chair of the Northern Region Hearing Board and Mr. Schneider was unanimously elected Vice Chair of the Northern Region Hearing Board for the year 2017.

Ms. Fierro reported the members of the Hearing Board are now required to receive Harassment and Discrimination Prevention training. She will be contacting Hearing Board members to schedule the training.

Mr. Kanai requested clarification on the Governing Board vacancies. Ms. Franco explained Governing Board vacancies are due to the recent elections. All seats are expected to be filled by April 2017.

8. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:12 a.m.