# 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, August 1, 2018

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

# 1. <u>Call Meeting to Order</u>

The Chair, Mark Kanai called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m.

# 2. Roll Call

Mark Kanai – Attorney Present
Gerald Schneider – Engineer Present
Michael Smedshammer – Public Present

## Staff Present:

Northern Region (Modesto): John Cadrett, Air Quality Compliance Manager.

Central Region (Fresno): Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Specialist; Chris Kalashian, Air Quality Specialist II; Jessi Fierro, Assistant Counsel II; See Thao, Operations and Program Support Supervisor; Diseree Alvarez, Senior Office Assistant; Clay Bishop, Supervising Air Quality Specialist.

# 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 April 4, 2018
- 10. Emergency Variance

## 11. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on September 5, 2018. The meeting will be held in the Northern Region Office (Modesto) with the presence of the Central Region Office (Fresno) Staff included via VTC.

Public Comments: None

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Moved: Smedshammer Seconded: Schneider

Ayes: Kanai, Schneider, Smedshammer

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.

Docket No. Type Company Name

A. N-18-08S Short Pacific Ethanol Stockton LLC

3028 Navy Drive

Sacramento, CA 95206

Petitioners: Jordan Bottorff

Ms. Bussard 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 96-hour period to occur sometime between August 20, 2018, and November 17, 2018, inclusive. If granted the variance would allow for continued ethanol fermentation while the RTO and scrubbers are shut down for the proposed work.

Mr. Smedshammer questioned about the difference in total amount of excess emissions from the District staff report and the petitioners application report.

Mr. Houlihan explained that the District calculates excessive emissions by using data from a source test, submitted from the facility to the District. The District discovered that a 2016 source test was submitted during the time, which caused the difference. The District directed Pacific Ethanol Stockton LLC to resubmit a 2017 source test. The data was evaluated, recalculated and updated.

Petitioner Comment: Ms. Bottoff added that the calculated excessive emissions based on a worst-case scenario.

Public Comments: None

Moved: Smedshammer

Seconded: Schneider

Ayes: Kanai, Schneider, Smedshammer

Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. N-18-08S

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#### 5. **Public Comments**

None

### 6. **Hearing Board Member Comments**

None

#### 7. **New Business**

None

# 8.

Adjournment
The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.