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

Southern Region Office Video Teleconference (VTC) Room 2700 "M" Street, Bakersfield, CA 93301

## **ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES**

Wednesday, July 9, 2008

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

#### **AGENDA**

1. <u>Call Meeting to Order:</u> The Chair, Hollis Carlile, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

## 2. ROLL CALL:

Kimm Wolber—medical	present
Nancy Dunn—public	present
Charles Brehmer—attorney	present
William Bland (Vice-Chair)*—public	
Hollis Carlile (Chair) —engineer	present

<sup>\*</sup>Arrived at 10:25 am.

Staff present—Southern Region (Bakersfield): Creighton Smith and Dave Baldwin.

### Central Region (Fresno):

Catherine Redmond, District Counsel; Wayne Clarke, Compliance Manager; Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Inspector; Diane Falcon and Lynn Sargenti, Senior Office Assistants.

3. <u>APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 11, 2008</u>:

The Minutes for June 11, 2008 were approved.

#### 4. Public Hearing:

The Chair asked the Clerk to verify that all items had been properly noticed. The Clerk affirmed they had. All those present to testify were sworn in by the Chair, and requested they sign in. The Chair asked that all items and any addenda be entered into the official record.

A. S-08-34S Short Aera Energy LLC Section 2 Dehy

59231 Main Camp Rd. McKittrick, CA 93251

Petitioners: John Haley and Ralph Hall

Dave Baldwin presented the report. John Haley confirms Dave Baldwin's presentation is accurate and states that their vapor recovery system went down on May 20, 2008, and their electricians felt they had detected a short in the system. However in the process of trying to find the short, the short cleared itself. To try to be proactive they will try to replace some wires and hopefully that will take care of the problem. One of the things mentioned was that multiple devices are all coming into a single breaker; therefore more breakers will be installed so if a short occurs they will be able to troubleshoot faster and get the system up and running. Ralph Hall, states that the reason the short keeps going away and coming back is that the compressor skid has a lot of vibration and has long ends of wire, 20 to 30 feet in conduit that could have the insulation rubbed off.

Hollis Carlile asks how old the system is. Ralph Hall does not know, however estimates about 15 to 17 years old. Hollis Carlile stated that the system is old and old operations as such are not necessarily clean as they are now and in an old system things begin to fail.

Motion: Wolber Second: Dunn

Ayes: Dunn, Wolber, Brehmer, Carlile

Nays: None Absent: Bland

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

B. S-08-37S Short Aera Energy LLC

Midway Sunset Oil Field 29231 Main Highway 33 Maricopa, CA 93252

Petitioners: Phillip Young, Chris Burzloff

Dave Baldwin presented the report. The petitioners concurred. Hollis Carlile, asked how old the system was, Chris Burzloff responded about 20 years old, however audits are performed periodically.

Motion: Brehmer Second: Dunn

Ayes: Dunn, Wolber, Brehmer and Carlile

Nays: None Absent: Bland

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

C. S-08-36S Short Chevron USA, Inc.
Midway Sunset Oil Field

Midway Sunset Oil Field Fellows, CA 93252

Hollis Carlile, recused himself because of conflict of interest with Chevron USA Inc., and appointed William Bland, vice chair, as Chair.

Mr. Bland arrived at 10:25 am and assumed the chairmanship.

Petitioners: Martin Lundy and David Moore

Dave Baldwin presented the report. Martin Lundy finds the District Staff Report to be accurate and describes Chevron's situation, however one item should be changed and that is the time-frame from 34 days to 56 days. 56 days is duly noted. Charles Brehmer asked Mr. Lundy what was taking so long with the repairs, Mr. Lundy responded, that the unit was totally taken apart because of the fluids that had entered the compressor and had blown a hole into the inlet vessel that required the parts to be custom fabricated. Mr. Brehmer also asked if the parts had already been fabricated, Mr. Lundy's response was that a part was specially being built at a machine shop for the unit.

Motion: Dunn Second: Wolber

Ayes: Dunn, Wolber, Brehmer and Bland

Nays: None Recused Carlile

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

D. S-08-21S Previously Granted Short Chevron USA, Inc. Midway Sunset Oil Field Fellows, CA 93252

Patrick Houlihan advised Chevron Midway Sunset is looking to extend a compliance date for the full 90 days until August 11, 2008.

Petitioners: Martin Lundy and David Moore

David Baldwin presents above docket, which no Staff Report was presented as it was previously granted. This Short Variance was initially planned for April 9, 2008, but was delayed until the May 14, 2008, hearing, although the start date was changed to reflect a May 14, 2008 start date, the end date was not changed to allow the full 90 days as intended. Chevron USA is requesting the hearing board to correct wording to allow the intended end date of August 11, 2008. This was originally from May 14, 2008 through July 8, 2008, which was not correct; it should have been from May 14, 2008 to August 11, 2008.

Both petitioners Lundy and Moore agree with the corrected dates.

Motion: Brehmer Second: Wolber

Ayes: Dunn, Wolber, Brehmer and Bland

Nays: None Recused: Carlile

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

E. S-08-38I Interim Chevron USA, Inc.
Cymric Oil Field

McKittrick, CA 93224

Petitioners: John Gruber, Bradley Boreham and Robert Smith

Dave Baldwin presents the report.

Motion: Wolber Second: Brehmer

Ayes: Dunn, Wolber, Brehmer and Bland

Nays: None Recused: Carlile

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

- 5. Public Comments: None
- 6. <u>Hearing Board Member Comments</u>: None
- 7. <u>New Business</u>: Patrick Houlihan expressed that the VTC System will have some outages from now through the rest of the year and into 2009 as the Southern Region will move into their new building and there could be some upsets with the VTC System, but eventually will all get settled out.
- 8. Next Scheduled Meeting: August 13, 2008.
- 9. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.