

**Action Summary Minutes**  
**SOUTHERN REGION HEARING BOARD MEETING**

Southern Region Office Video Teleconference (VTC) Room  
34946 Flyover Court, Bakersfield, CA 93308

**Wednesday, April 13, 2011, 10:00 a.m.**

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

**MINUTES**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:  
The Chair, Hollis Carlile, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Kimm Wolber – Medical	Present
Nancy Dunn – Public	Absent
Hollis Carlile (Chair) – Engineer	Present
Bill Bland – Public	Present
John Stovall – Attorney	Present

Staff present - Southern Region (Bakersfield): Emily Demont-Gonzalez,  
Supervising Administrator

Central Region (Fresno): Patrick Houlihan, Sr. Air Quality Specialist; Ryan  
Hayashi, Supervising Air Quality Specialist, Michael Carrera, Compliance  
Manager and Vicki Christie, acting as Deputy Clerk to the Board.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 9, 2011  
The Chair, Hollis Carlile, asked if there were any comments regarding the  
Minutes of March 9, 2011. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as  
submitted.

4. PUBLIC HEARING:  
All those present to testify were sworn in by the Chair, and he requested they  
sign in.

A. S-11-12S Short Aera Energy LLC  
Alberta/Finley/Shale Lease  
Midway Sunset Oil Field

Petitioners: Robert Beebout, Timothy Perkins

AERA has requested a short variance from the requirements of District Rules  
2070.7.0, 2201, 2520 and 4623, in addition to the applicable conditions of the  
subject PTOs. The requested variance would be for a consecutive 96-hour



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

D. S-11-15S Short Alon Bakersfield Property, Inc.  
Limited Turnaround  
6451 Rosedale Hwy  
Bakersfield, CA 93308

Petitioners: Brian Pellens

ALON has requested a short variance from District Rules, 2070.7.0, 2201, 2520 and 4623, in addition to conditions of the applicable PTOs. The requested short variance period would be for a consecutive 5-day period to occur between April 14, 2011 and July 12, 2011. If granted, the variance would allow ALON to store VOC containing liquids in the storage tanks without a functional or operating VRS while they perform a limited refinery turnaround.

Brian Pellens thanked Mr. Houlihan for the excellent staff report.

Mr. Houlihan suggested that due to the extensive and complicated work involved, a change be made to the petition to read as follows:

*The requested short variance period would be for a consecutive 10-day period to occur sometime between April 14, 2011 and July 12, 2011.*

Condition number one on page four would read as follows:

*The variance shall be for a consecutive 10-day period to occur sometime between April 14, 2011 and July 12, 2011 or until the VRS is restarted, whichever come first.*

The District approved the requested change.

Public Comments: None

Having decided the petition has met the required findings, on motion of Ms. Wolber, seconded by Mr. Stovall, unanimously passed, the petitioner was granted a short variance subject to the amended conditions.

E. S-11-01S Short Chevron USA Inc  
26C Cogeneration Plant  
Midway Sunset Oil Field

Petition is continued until the May 11, 2011, Hearing Board Meeting

5. The Southern Region Hearing Board granted three emergency variances since the March 9, 2011 Hearing Board meeting.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

7. HEARING BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: None

8. NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Houlihan passed on a thank-you from the Deputy Clerk to the Board, to the Hearing Board members for taking time to complete the Mandatory Ethics Training. A stipend is in process.

Mr. Houlihan also mentioned that Legal Council, Phil Jay is retiring at the end of April. Mr. Carlile stated that the Hearing Board has appreciated Mr. Jay's work with the Hearing Board and they wish him well.

9. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: Wednesday, May 11, 2011, at 10:00 a.m.  
The meeting will be held via video conferencing (VTC) in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) with the Central Region Office (Fresno) participating via VTC
10. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.