

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

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

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, March 13, 2013

*Meeting held via teleconferencing with the
Central Region Office (Fresno) and the
Southern Region Office (Bakersfield)*

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Chair, William Bland, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Dr. Dean Haddock – Medical	Present
Nancy Dunn - Public	Present
William Bland (Chair) – Public	Present
John Stovall – Attorney	Present
Daniel Padilla – Engineer	Present

Staff Present:

Ellyce Baldwin, Supervising Air Quality Inspector

Central Region (Fresno): Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Specialist; Ryan Hayashi, Supervising Air Quality Specialist; Annette Ballatore-Williamson, Legal Counsel; Michelle Banuelos, Senior Office Assistant

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF February 13, 2013

The Chair asked if there were any comments regarding the Minutes for February 13, 2013 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. S-13-04S	Short	Pixley Cogen Partners, LLC 11222 Road 120 Pixley, CA 93256

Petitioners: Lyle Schlyer

Patrick Houlihan presented the Staff Report.

Pixley has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070.7.0, 2201, 4101, in addition to applicable conditions of the Permit to Operate (PTO). The requested

variance period would be from March 13, 2013, until June 10, 2013. If granted, the variance would allow excess visible emissions out of the lube oil tank vent until it can be repaired.

Mr. Schlyer clarified Calgren Renewable Fuels does not own Pixley Cogen Partners but do have similar ownership relations.

Mr. Padilla asked if the low flow was quantifiable. Mr. Schlyer explained the process and produced generated 8.85cfm.

Public Comments: None

Ms. Ballatore-Williamson recommended Mr. Padilla refrain from voting due to not having completed Ethics Compliance Training.

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

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
B. S-13-05S	Short	Vintage Production California, LLC 9600 Ming Avenue, Suite 300 Bakersfield, CA 93311

Petitioners: Jerry Frost and Nick Diercks

Patrick Houlihan presented the Staff Report.

Vintage has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2010, 2070.7.0, 2201, 2520, 4401, and 4623 in addition to conditions of the applicable Permit to Operate (PTOs) and Authority to Construct (ATC). The requested short variance would be a consecutive 72-hour period to occur sometime between March 14, 2013, and March 31, 2013, inclusive. If granted, it would allow the continued storage of VOC containing liquids in the subject tanks without a functional or operating VRS until PG&E restores electrical power. It shall also provide that the collected vapors do not have to be incinerated in the steam generators.

Mr. Frost thanked Mr. Houlihan for the presentation, he had no further comments.

Dr. Haddock requested clarification for the time period. Mr. Houlihan explained the facility cannot exceed 72 hours and it is a block of time.

Public Comments: None

Having decided the petition has met the required findings, on motion of Dr. Haddock and seconded by Ms. Dunn, unanimously passed, the petitioner was granted a short variance.

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
C. S-13-06S	Short	Aera Energy LLC Section 32 Gas Plant Belridge Oil Field

Petitioners: Brent Winn and Jeff Rollans

Patrick Houlihan presented the Staff Report.

Aera has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules, 2070.7.0, 2201, 2520, and 4409 in addition to the applicable Permit to Operate (PTO) conditions. The requested short variance period would be for a consecutive 14-day period to occur sometime

between April 1, 2013, and June 30, 2013, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow Aera to bypass the gas plant while not following all the provisions of District Rule 4409 during the turnaround.

Mr. Winn expressed his appreciation for Mr. Houlihan's and staffs efforts. He had no further comment.

Public Comments: None

Having decided the petition has met the required findings, on motion of Ms. Dunn and seconded by Dr. Haddock, unanimously passed, the petitioner was granted a short variance.

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
D. S-13-07S	Short	Chevron USA, Inc. 26C Oil Cleaning Plant and 26C Steam Plant Midway Sunset Oil Field Taft, CA

Petitioners: Martin Lundy and Steve Enns

Patrick Houlihan presented the Staff Report.

CUSA has requested a short variance from District Rules 2070.7.0, 2201, 2520, 4401, and 4623, in addition to conditions of the applicable Permits to Operate (PTOs). The requested variance period would be for 20 non-consecutive days to occur sometime between April 10, 2013, and July 10, 2013, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow CUSA to continue to store VOC containing liquids in the subject tanks without an operating or functional VRS while CUSA completes work associated with the subject scrubber. In addition, it will allow wells with closed casing gas vents to produce into tanks that do not have a functional or operating VRS.

Mr. Lundy thanked Mr. Houlihan for the presentation.

Public Comments: None

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

5. EMERGENCY VARIANCE

The Southern Region Hearing Board has not heard nor granted any emergency variance since the February 13, 2013, Hearing Board meeting.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

7. HEARING BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Bland welcomed Mr. Padilla to the Hearing Board.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Stovall expressed appreciation for Mr. Houlihan's efforts.

9. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting is April 10, 2013. The meeting will be held via teleconferencing in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) with the Central Region Office (Fresno) participating via teleconferencing.

10. ADJOURN

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