

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, July 8, 2015

*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 10:01 a.m.

2. Roll Call

William Bland (Chair) – Public

Dr. Dean Haddock – Medical Present

Nancy Dunn – Public Present

John Stovall – Attorney Present

Staff Present:

Southern Region (Bakersfield): Mike Oldershaw, Air Quality Compliance Manager

Central Region (Fresno): Clay Bishop, Supervising Air Quality Specialist; Chris Kalashian, Air Quality Specialist; Shannon Moore, Air Quality Specialist; Crystal Bussard, Air Quality Specialist; Jessi Fierro, Assistant District Counsel; Michael Carrera, Air Quality Compliance Manager; Carol Flores, Operations and Program Support Supervisor

3. Approve Minutes of June 10, 2015

The Chair asked if there were any comments regarding the Minutes for June 10, 2015. Having decided the Minutes were accurate, on motion of Mr. Stovall and seconded by Dr. Haddock, the Minutes were approved with no changes.

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-14-69X	Extension	Tricor Refining LLC 1134 Manor Street Bakersfield, CA 93308

Petitioners: Jeff Beecher

Mr. Kalashian presented the Staff Report.

Tricor has requested an extension of the previously granted regular variance from applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, 4305, 4306, and 4320, in addition to applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested variance would be effective for a non-consecutive 42 day period to occur sometime between July 8, 2015, and December 14, 2015. If granted, the variance would allow process heater #21 to emit excess NO_x, CO, VOC, SO_x, and PM₁₀ emissions while it undergoes testing as part of an experimental research exemption operation.

The petitioner had no further comments.

Public Comments: None

Having decided the petition had met the required findings, on motion of Mr. Stovall and seconded by Dr. Haddock, the petitioner was granted an extension to their variance.

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
B. S-15-32S	Short	Chevron USA Inc 8Z North East McKittrick Unit 15Z Oil Cleaning Plant McKittrick Oil Field

Petitioners: Dave Bone

Mr. Moore presented the Staff Report.

Chevron has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2010, 2070, 2201, 2520, and 4623, in addition to the applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested variance would be a for a consecutive 96-hour period to occur sometime between July 9, 2015 and October 6, 2015, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow the continued storage of VOC containing liquids in tanks without a functional or operating VRS.

Mr. Moore stated the following modifications were made to Recommendations:

8Z NEMU

2B. Conditions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12 and 13 of PTO S-2010-12-5;

2C. Conditions 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 10 of PTO S-2010-15-5

15Z OCP

D. Conditions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of S-2010-4-10

4. Excess VOC emissions shall not exceed 868 pounds for the entire variance period

The petitioner had no further comments.

Public Comments: None

Having decided the petition had 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-15-33S	Short	Chevron USA Inc Station 31 Midway Sunset Oil Field

Petitioners: Steve Enns and John Lyons

Mr. Kalashian presented the Staff Report.

Chevron has requested a short variance from applicable requirements District Rules 2070, 2201, and 4623 in addition to the applicable conditions on the subject permits. The requested short variance period would be for a non-consecutive 48-hour period to occur sometime between August 1, 2015, and October 29, 2015, inclusive. If granted, the short variance would allow for the continued storage of VOC containing liquids in the tanks without a functional or operating VRS while CUSA performs the work described above.

The petitioner had no further comments.

Public Comments: None

Having decided the petition had met the required findings, on motion of Ms. Dunn 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>
D. S-15-34S	Short	Aera Energy LLC Metson Lease Midway Sunset Oil Field

Petitioners: Robert Beebout

Ms. Bussard presented the Staff Report.

Aera has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, and 4623, in addition to applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested short variance would be for a consecutive 144-hour period to occur sometime between July 8, 2015, and October 5, 2015, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow the continued storage of VOC containing liquids in the subject tanks without a functional and operating VRS while Aera performs the projects/maintenance outlines above.

Mr. Stovall asked if the costs for cleaning and loss of oil production would be significant. Ms. Bussard responded affirmatively.

The petitioner had no further comments.

Public Comments: None

Having decided the petition had 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 did not hear nor grant any emergency variances since the June 10, 2015, Hearing Board meeting.

6. Public Comments

No public comment.

7. Hearing Board Member Comments

Dr. Haddock asked for comments regarding a newspaper story stating the District may lose control to EPA. Ms. Fierro explained the story is related to EPA approval of the District's attainment plans. Clean Air Act (CAA) requirements do not allow for an area like the Valley. Losing local control means EPA will utilize a CAA provision and then create a Federal Implementation Plan instead of approving the District's Plan. She said she does not believe this will happen soon.

8. New Business

Ms. Flores reported the August meeting, if scheduled, will be held in Bakersfield and not via VTC due to conflicts in conference room scheduling.

9. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is August 12, 2015. The meeting will be held in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield).

10. Adjourn

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:31 a.m.