# 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, May 11, 2016

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

### Call Meeting to Order

The Chair, William Bland, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

#### Roll Call

William Bland (Chair) – Public Present
John Stovall – Attorney Present
Dr. Robert Moeller – Medical Present
Nancy Dunn – Public Present

Staff Present:

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

Central Region (Fresno): Michael Carrera, Air Quality Compliance Manager; Clay Bishop, Supervising Air Quality Specialist; Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Specialist; Shannon Moore, Air Quality Specialist; Annette Williamson, District Counsel; Carol Flores, Operations and Program Support Supervisor

### 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 13, 2016
- 10. Emergency Variance

#### 11. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on June 8, 2016. The meeting will be held in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) with the Central Region Office (Fresno) included via VTC.

Public Comments: None

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Moved: Stovall Seconded: Dunn

Ayes: Stovall, Dunn, Moeller, Bland

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.

A. S-16-17S Short Company Name

Chevron USA Inc.
31X Oil Cleaning Plant
Cymric Oil Field

Petitioners: Kris Rickards, Marc Hansen and Hendra Susanto

Mr. Moore presented the Staff Report.

Chevron has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2010, 2070, 2201, 2520, 4401, and 4623 in addition to applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested variance period would be effective for a non-consecutive 168-hour period to occur sometime between June 1, 2016, and August 30, 2016, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow Chevron to continue to store VOC containing liquids in the subject tanks without an operating or functional VRS while Chevron conducts the maintenance. In addition, it will allow wells with closed casing vents to produce into tanks that do not have a functional or operating VRS.

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 Ms. Dunn, unanimously passed, the petitioner was granted a short variance.

B. S-16-18S Short Company Name
Chevron USA Inc.
2F Oil Cleaning Plant
Midway Sunset Oil Field

Petitioners: Kris Richards and Steve Enns

Mr. Moore presented the Staff Report.

Chevron has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, 4401, and 4623, in addition to applicable conditions of the

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subject permits. The requested variance would be for a non-consecutive 336 hour (14 days) period to occur sometime between May 16, 2016, and August 13, 2016, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow Chevron to continue to store VOC containing liquids in tanks without a functional or operating VRS. In addition, it will allow wells with closed casing vents to produce into tanks that do not have a functional or operating VRS.

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 Dr. Moeller, unanimously passed, the petitioner was granted a short variance.

	Docket No.	<u>Type</u>	Company Name
C.	S-16-19S	Short	Aera Energy LLC Section 32 Gas Plant and Sulfur Removal Plant Belridge Oil Field

Petitioners: Brent Winn and Matt Funkhouser

Mr. Houlihan presented the Staff Report.

Aera has requested a short variance from applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, 4320, and 4409 in addition to applicable conditions on the subject permits. The requested short variance period would be for a consecutive 12-hour period to occur sometime between May 11, 2016, and August 8, 2016, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow field gas greater than 10% VOC by weight and with excess H<sub>2</sub>S to enter the fuel gas distribution system. In addition, it will allow 38 steam generators and the Dehy 20 flare to exceed their SO<sub>X</sub> output limit.

Mr. Houlihan reported the facility informed the District the entire fuel distribution system is subject to Rule 4409 and so that verbiage will be stricken from the final order. He reported the following Recommendations would be modified as follows:

- 3. The variance would allow field gas and with excess  $H_2S$  to enter the fuel gas distribution system. IN addition, it will allow 38 steam generators and the Dehy 20 flare to exceed their  $SO_X$  output limit.
- 11C. Records of volume of gas sent into the fuel distribution system and H<sub>2</sub>S concentrations; and

No further comments by the Petitioner.

Public Comments: None

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

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# 5. <u>Public Comments</u> No public comment.

## 6. <u>Hearing Board Member Comments</u> None

# 7. <u>New Business</u> None

# 8. <u>Adjournment</u> The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:26 a.m.