

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

Meeting held via Zoom Webinar

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

1. Call Meeting to Order

The Chair, John Stovall called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

John Stovall – Attorney	Present
Nancy Dunn– Public	Present
Chang Na– Medical	Present
Blaine Neptune– Engineer	Present

Staff Present via Zoom:

Southern Region (Bakersfield): None

Central Region (Fresno): Jessi Fierro, Assistant District Counsel; Chris Kalashian, Air Quality Specialist II; Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Specialist II; Clay Bishop, Supervising Air Quality Specialist; Esthela Soto, Air Quality Specialist I; See Thao, Operations & Support Supervisor; Ariana Orozco; Operations & 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 Wednesday, May 12, 2021

10. Emergency Variance Report

11. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on June 9, 2021. The meeting will be held via Zoom Webinar.

Public Comments: None

Moved: Dr. Na
Seconded: Dunn
Ayes: Dunn, Stovall, Dr. Na, Neptune
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar Items 9-11

4. Public Hearing

The Vice Chair, John Stovall swore in all those present to testify for all matters.

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
A. S-21-12S	Short	Kern Oil & Refining Co 7724 E. Panama Lane Bakersfield, CA 93307

Petitioner: David Nielsen, James Reese, Raymond Rodriguez, Jake Bishop, and Dave Castro

Ms. Soto presented the staff report.

Kern Oil & Refining has requested a short variance from District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, 4623, and 4455, in addition to the applicable permits. The requested variance would be effective for a 21 day non-consecutive day period to occur sometime between May 19, 2021, and August 16, 2021, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow continued operation of the subject cogeneration turbine units without an operational CEMS while new components and software are installed and the CEMS is re-certified.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dr. Na
Seconded: Neptune
Ayes: Dunn, Stovall, Dr. Na, Neptune
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-21-12S

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
B. S-21-14i	Interim	Taft Production Company 950 North Petroleum Club Road Taft, CA 93268

Petitioner: Shenna Edmunds, Aaron Christensen, Jessica Mohatt, and Peter Moore

Mr. Kalashian presented the staff report.

Taft Production Company has requested an interim variance, to be followed by a regular variance, from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, and 4309, in addition to applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested variance period would be from May 6, 2021, through August 3, 2021, or until the petition for the regular variance can be heard, whichever occurs first. If granted, the variance would allow TPC to operate D1 with excess NOx emissions.

Mr. Neptune asked what the portable combustion analyzer results were for the month of February, since reporting is required monthly. Mr. Christensen responded that the results for February were missed due to personal turnover but results for the following and prior months were good.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dunn
Seconded: Dr. Na
Ayes: Dunn, Stovall, Dr. Na, Neptune
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-21-14i

5. Public Comments: None
6. Hearing Board Member Comments: None
7. New Business: None
8. Adjournment: The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:21 am.