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## Minutes

### Southern Region Hearing Board Meeting

San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District  
2700 M Street, Suite 275 VTC Room  
Bakersfield, CA

Wednesday, January 10, 2007

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

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER  
The Chair, Hollis Carlile, called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.

2. ROLL CALL

Kimm Wobler—medical	present
Nancy Dunn—public	present
Charles Brehmer—attorney	present
Hollis Carlile (chair)—engineer	present
William Bland—public	absent

Staff present—Southern Region (Bakersfield): Sherman Yount, Allan Phillips, Ellyce Baldwin

Central Region (Fresno): Sissy Smith, outgoing Clerk to the Board; Catherine Redmond, Assistant District Counsel; Brian Dodds, Senior Air Quality Inspector; Michael Carrera, Supervising Air Quality Inspector; and Toni Taber, Clerk to the Board

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2006  
The Chair asked if there were any comments regarding the Minutes for December 13, 2006. Hearing no comments, the Chair declared the Minutes approved as submitted.

4. PUBLIC HEARING:

The Chair asked if the petitions had been properly noticed and on file with the Clerk to the Boards. Ms. Smith responded in the affirmative. The Chair requested the Southern Region Hearing Board Packet and any addenda brought forth in today's hearing be entered into the Official Record. All persons testifying were sworn in by the Chair.

**A. Short Variance Docket No. S-06-67S:** MMC Mid Sun LLC, 26 Broadway, Suite 907, New York, NY 10004

Petitioners: Marty Quinn, MMC Mid Sun LLC; James Westbrook, Bluescape environmental; Kent Miles, KDM Environmental

Brian Dodds presented the report. Quinn stated that due to circumstances beyond their control, a snake caused a fire in the electrical box, they are two weeks behind schedule in firing up the unit, and they would like to fire the turbine on January 11, 2007. Quinn also stated that they made arrangements to have a portable analyzer. Quinn added his gratitude and compliments to Brian Dodds and Creighton Smith and their staff for their good work.

Public Comment: NONE

Moved: Brehmer

Seconded: Wobler

All Ayes

*Motion carried to grant variance to MMC Engineering.*

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**B. Short Variance Docket No. S-06-69S:** Big West of California, LLC, 6451 Rosedale Highway, Bakersfield, CA 93308

Petitioners: Max Sims, Mike Haddon and David Sullivan all with Big West of California

Brian Dodds presented the report. Sims stated that the report was straightforward. Big West would like to operate at full capacity, but haven't been able to as the tanks currently are not seismically rated for that capacity. Carlile asked for the age of the tanks. Sims responded that they were built in the 1950's. Carlile stated that the tanks and foundation are probably not earthquake ready.

Public Comment: NONE

Moved: Wobler

Seconded: Dunn

All Ayes

*Motion carried to grant variance to Big West of California.*

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**C. Short Variance Docket No. S-06-70S:** Big West of California, LLC, 6451 Rosedale Highway, Bakersfield, CA 93308

Petitioners: Petitioners: Max Sims, Mike Haddon and David Sullivan all with Big West of California

Brian Dodds presented the staff report. Sims stated that the report was straightforward. System needs to be shut down in order to clean sludge from the vapor recovery line. Although the section is no longer in use, it poses a hazard to operations. Carlile stated that it is advantageous to close the line for one hour now, versus many hours if the line deteriorates and causes a spill.

Public Comment: NONE

Moved: Brehmer

Seconded: Wobler

All Ayes

*Motion carried to grant variance to Big West of California.*

5. EMERGENCY VARIANCE

There was no comment regarding the Emergency Variance, Docket S-06-68E.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment.

7. HEARING BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Brehmer wished everyone a Happy New Year.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Sissy Smith announced that she is stepping down as Clerk of the Board and introduced Toni Taber, the new Clerk of the Board. The Chair thanked her for her service and stated that they will miss her.

9. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting is February 14, 2007. The Meeting will be held via video teleconferencing (VTC) in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) with the Central Region Office (Fresno) participating via VTC.

10. ADJOURN

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:37am.