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Action Summary Minutes for the Southern Region Hearing Board Meeting San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District 2700 M Street, Suite 275 Video Teleconferencing (VTC) Room Bakersfield, CA.

Wednesday, February 13, 2002
10:00 a.m.

Meeting held via video teleconferencing (VTC) with the Central Region Office (Fresno) included via VTC.

1. **Call Meeting to Order** – The Chair, Hollis B. Carlile, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
2. **Roll Call was taken and a quorum was present.**

Kimm Wolber	Medical
Andrew C. Thomson	Attorney
Marvin Dean	Public
William L. Bland, Jr., Vice Chair	Public
Hollis B. Carlile, Chair	Engineer

Also present in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield)

Clifton Calderwood, Air Quality Compliance Manager, Creighton Smith, Supervising Air Quality Inspector, Leonard Scandura, Supervising Air Quality Engineer and Amelia Yuan, Air Quality Inspector.

Also present in the Central Region Office (Fresno) – Philip M. Jay, District Counsel, Michael Carrera, Senior Air Quality Inspector and Sissy Smith, Clerk to the Board.

3. **Approve Minutes of January 9, 2002** – The Chair asked if there were any corrections, comments or additions to the Minutes. The Board did not have any corrections, comments or additions to the Minutes. Therefore, the Chair declared the Minutes of January 9, 2002 approved as submitted

The Chair requested the Petitioners sign the Sign In Sheet.

All persons testifying were sworn in by the Chair.

The Chair asked if the Petition has been properly noticed and on file with the Clerk to the Board. Ms. Smith responded affirmative.

The Chair requested that the Hearing Board Packet and any additional materials provided during the hearing be entered into the Official Record.

William L. Bland, Jr., indicated to Philip M. Jay, District Counsel that he had a potential conflict of interest pertaining to Sierra Power Corporation. After discussing the issue Mr. Jay advised Mr. Bland to excuse himself from participating in the hearing for Sierra Power Corporation. Therefore, Mr. Bland took a seat in the audience.

Michael Carrera present the Staff Report.

Docket No. S-01-56S, Short Variance, Sierra Power Corporation, 9000 Road 234, Terra Bella, CA. 93270. Type of Business: Biomass Fired Cogeneration Plant.

Petitioners – Scott Weaver and Kent Duysen represented Sierra Power Corporation.

Public Comments – No Public Comments.

Decision – Mr. Thomson made a motion to grant the variance subject to the ten conditions set for on page 5 of the Staff Report and that the required six findings set forth on pages 3 and 4 of the Staff Report be incorporated in the motion by reference. It is noted that considerable discussion took place pertaining to finding # 2 with the majority of the Board concurring that finding # 2 could be made. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dean and carried with the following

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: *Wolber, Thomson and Dean.*

Noes: *Carlile.*

Excused: *Bland.*

Absent: *None.*

The Board granted a Short Variance to Docket No. S-01-56S, Sierra Power Corporation. The variance will be effective between January 1, 2002 and March 31, 2002, or until the CEMS Polling System is installed, whichever occurs first. The ten conditions will be set forth in the Order.

William L. Bland, Jr., took his seat at the Board table for the remainder of the meeting.

5. **Administrative Agenda – Receive and File** – There were no emergency variance requests approved or denied by the Southern Region Hearing Board since its last meeting.

6. **Public Comments** – Clifton Calderwood, Air Quality Compliance Manager, announced that he will be retiring from the District in March 2002.

The Board thanked Mr. Calderwood for his help over the years and wished him a happy retirement.

7. **Hearing Board Member Comments** – The Board and Mr. Jay discussed criteria for casting a vote to abstain during a hearing. The Board thanked staff for their written recommendations in the Staff Report on approval/disapproval of a variance request.

8. **New Business** – No New Business.

9. **Next Scheduled Hearing** – Wednesday, March 13, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held via video conferencing (VTC) in the Southern Region Office, 2700 M Street, Suite 275, VTC Room, Bakersfield with the Central Region Office (Fresno) included via VTC.

10. **Adjournment** – The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Sissy Smith, Clerk to the Board
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