

August 4, 2021

David Nielsen  
Kern Oil and Refining  
7724 East Panama Lane  
Bakersfield, CA 93307

**RE: Final - Authority to Construct / Certificate of Conformity (Significant Modification)**  
**Facility Number: S-37**  
**Project Number: S-1200501**

Dear Mr. Nielsen:

The Air Pollution Control Officer has issued the Authority to Construct permit to Kern Oil and Refining for modification of compressors serving a flare, at 7724 East Panama Lane. Enclosed are the Authority to Construct permit and a copy of the notice of final action that has been posted on the District's website ([www.valleyair.org](http://www.valleyair.org)).

Notice of the District's preliminary decision to issue the Authority to Construct permit was posted on June 10, 2021. The District's analysis of the proposal was also sent to CARB and US EPA Region IX on June 10, 2021. All comments received following the District's preliminary decision on this project were considered.

Also enclosed is an invoice for the engineering evaluation fees pursuant to District Rule 3010. Please remit the amount owed, along with a copy of the attached invoice, within 60 days.

Prior to operating with the modifications authorized by the Authority to Construct, you must submit an application to modify the Title V permit as an administrative amendment in accordance with District Rule 2520, Section 11.5. Application forms have been enclosed for your use. These forms may also be found on the District's website at [www.valleyair.org](http://www.valleyair.org).

**Samir Sheikh**  
Executive Director/Air Pollution Control Officer

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Leonard Scandura at (661) 392-5500.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Leonard Scandura". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'L'.

Brian Clements  
Director of Permit Services

BC:dk

Enclosures

cc: Courtney Graham, CARB (w/enclosure) via email  
cc: Laura Yannayon, EPA (w/enclosure) via EPS

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BAKERSFIELD, CA 93307-9210

## **AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT (ATC)**

### **QUICK START GUIDE**

1. **Pay Invoice:** Please pay enclosed invoice before due date.
2. **Modify Your Title V Permit.** Prior to operating the equipment authorized under this ATC, submit an application to modify your Title V permit. See application forms at <http://www.valleyair.org/permits/TVforms>.
3. **Fully Understand ATC:** Make sure you understand ALL conditions in the ATC prior to construction, modification and/or operation.
4. **Follow ATC:** You must construct, modify and/or operate your equipment as specified on the ATC. Any unspecified changes may require a new ATC.
5. **Notify District:** You must notify the District's Compliance Department, at the telephone numbers below, upon start-up and/or operation under the ATC. Please record the date construction or modification commenced and the date the equipment began operation under the ATC. You may NOT operate your equipment until you have notified the District's Compliance Department. A startup inspection may be required prior to receiving your Permit to Operate.
6. **Source Test:** Schedule and perform any required source testing. See [http://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/source\\_testing.htm](http://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/source_testing.htm) for source testing resources.
7. **Maintain Records:** Maintain all records required by ATC. Records are reviewed during every inspection (or upon request) and must be retained for at least 5 years. Sample record keeping forms can be found at [http://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/compliance\\_forms.htm](http://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/compliance_forms.htm).

By operating in compliance, you are doing your part to improve air quality for all Valley residents.

**For assistance, please contact District Compliance staff at**

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