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

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

Meeting held via Zoom webinar

1. <u>Call Meeting to Order</u>

The Chair, Daniel Hartwig, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Gerry Mulligan – Public Present
David Soldani – Attorney Present
Daniel Hartwig – Chair Present
Lorraine Goodwin – Vice Chair / Medical Absent
Andrew Robertson – Engineer Present

Staff Present:

Central Region (Fresno) Jessi Fierro, Assistant Counsel II; Chris Kalashian, Air Quality Specialist II; Michelle Franco, Deputy Clerk to the Board; and See Thao, Operations and Program Support Supervisor

3. Approval of Consent 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 June 16, 2021

10. Emergency Variance Report

11. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on September 15, 2021. The meeting will be held via Zoom webinar.

Public Comments: None

Moved: Mulligan Seconded: Robertson

Ayes: Hartwig, Soldani, Mulligan, Robertson

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. C-21-16S Short Company Name

Certain Teed, LLC
17775 Avenue 23 ½
Chowchilla, CA 93610

Petitioners: Ben Cuthbertson

Mr. Kalashian presented the Staff Report

CERTAINTEED has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 1080, 2070, 2201, 2520, 4101, 4354, and CH&SC section 41701, in addition to conditions of the subject permits. The requested short variance period would be for a consecutive 24 hour period to occur sometime between September 20, 2021, and September 21, 2021, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow the exhaust stream from the glass melting furnace to bypass the pre-conditioning chamber, caustic soda injection, EP, and CEMS while the power is shut down by PG&E. In addition, the variance would allow visible emissions as high as 95% opacity.

Petitioner Comments: None

Hearing Board Comments: Mr. Mulligan asked how they are keeping the furnaces running while PG&E takes them offline. Mr. Cuthbertson answered that the gas bed furnaces and the burners are going to continue to run and will continue to melt glass or melt batch. He continued that the lines will be down and all other electrical systems that are associated with it, however with the generators the facility has they can keep the furnace operational and keep the batch running so the furnace does not have to shut down. Mr. Robertson asked what details prevent the facility from using portable generators. Mr. Cuthbertson answered that the system that controls the fan that draws the exhaust through the emission system would have to be powered by the generator. He added that all other systems associated with the EP itself would have to also be fed by a generator and those generators would have to be tied to the emission control system.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Mulligan Seconded: Robertson

Ayes: Hartwig, Soldani, Mulligan, Robertson

Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. C-21-16S

5. Public Comments: None

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6. <u>Hearing Board Comments</u>: None

7. New Business: None

8. Adjourn

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:19 a.m.