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

Meeting held via Zoom Webinar

#### **ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES**

# Thursday, March 11, 2021

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

The Vice Chair, John Stovall called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

## 2. Roll Call

John Stovall – Attorney Present
Nancy Dunn– Public Present
Chang Na– Medical 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; Esthela Soto, Air Quality Specialist I; Shannon Moore, Air Quality Specialist II; 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 Thursday, March 11, 2021
- 10. Emergency Variance Report

#### 11. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on April 14, 2021. The meeting will be held via Zoom Webinar.

Public Comments: None

Moved: Dunn Seconded: Dr. Na

Ayes: Dunn, Stovall, Dr. Na

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.

# Docket No. Type Company Name

A. S-21-02R Regular Midway Sunset Cogeneration Company 3466 West Crocker Springs Road

Fellows, CA 93224

Petitioner: Greg Jans

Mr. Houlihan presented the staff report.

Midway Sunset Cogeneration Company has requested a regular variance from the applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested variance period would be from March 11, 2021, through March 9, 2022. If granted, the variance would allow Midway Sunset Cogeneration Company to operate in simple cycle mode and emit excess NOx emissions while they undergo the necessary measures to procure an ATC and install the appropriate air pollution control device(s).

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dunn Seconded: Dr. Na

Aves: Dunn, Stovall, Dr. Na

Docket No. Type

Nays: None

B.

# Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-21-02R

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S-21-04S	Short	CXA La Paloma, LLC Unit

1760 W. Skyline Road McKittrick, CA 93251 1

**Company Name** 

Petitioner: Amritpal Sumal and Ted Benson

Mr. Moore presented the staff report.

La Paloma has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 1080, 2070, 2201, 2520, 4001, and 4703, in addition to the applicable conditions to the subject permits. The requested variance period will be for non-consecutive 15-day period from April 5, 2021 to July 3, 2021, inclusive. If granted, the variance will allow La Paloma to operate without a certified CEMS while the proposed work is performed and the new CEMS is certified.

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Public Comment: None

Moved: Dr. Na Seconded: Dunn

Ayes: Dunn, Stovall, Dr. Na

Nays: None

# Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-21-04S

Docket No. Type Company Name

C. S-21-05S Short CXA La Paloma, LLC Unit 2 1760 W. Skyline Road McKittrick, CA 93251

Petitioner: Amritpal Sumal and Ted Benson

Mr. Moore presented the staff report.

La Paloma has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 1080, 2070, 2201, 2520, 4001, and 4703, in addition to the applicable conditions to the subject permits. The requested variance period will be for non-consecutive 15-day period from April 5, 2021 to July 3, 2021, inclusive. If granted, the variance will allow La Paloma to operate without a certified CEMS while the proposed work is performed and the new CEMS is certified.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dr. Na Seconded: Dunn

Ayes: Dunn, Stovall, Dr. Na

Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-21-05S

Docket No. Type Company Name

D. S-21-07S Short Aera Energy LLC

MOCO & 25 Hill Dehydration Facilities

Midway Sunset Oil Field

Petitioner: Bob Beebout

Mr. Kalashian presented the staff report.

Aera Energy LLC has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2010, 2070, 2201, 2520, 4401, and 4623, in addition conditions of the subject permits. The requested variance period would be for non-consecutive 144 hour (six day) period to occur sometime between March 11, 2021, and June 8, 2021, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow Aera to continue to store VOC containing liquids in the subject tanks without an operating or functional VRS.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dunn Seconded: Dr. Na

Ayes: Dunn, Stovall, Dr. Na

Nays: None

# Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-21-07S

E. S-21-08S Short Company Name
Chevron U.S.A. Inc. 17Z Gas Junction Cymric Oil Field

Petitioner: Brandon Chang

Ms. Soto presented the staff report.

Chevron has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 4409, and 4623, in addition to applicable conditions of the subjects permits. The requested variance period would be for a non-consecutive 48 hour period to occur sometime between March 11, 2021, and April 10, 2021 inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow Chevron to continue to store VOC containing liquids in the subject tanks without an operating or functional VRS while they conduct the proposed work.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dr. Na Seconded: Dunn

Ayes: Dunn, Stovall, Dr. Na

Nays: None

# Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-21-08S

F. S-21-09S Short Company Name

Elk Hills Power, LLC 4026 Skyline Road Tupman, CA 93276

Mr. Kalashian presented the staff report.

Petitioner: Sonnie Pineda, Kenneth Sadler, and Brandon Myers

Elk hills Power, LLC has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520, and 4703, in addition to applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested short variance would be effective for a 36 non-consecutive hour period to occur sometime between April 20, 2021, and June 15, 2021. If granted, the variance would allow CT #1 and #2 to be operated with excess NOx emissions while GE performs the proposed testing.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dunn Seconded: Dr. Na

Ayes: Dunn, Stovall, Dr. Na

Nays: None

## Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-21-09S

- 5. Public Comments: None
- 6. Hearing Board Member Comments: None
- New Business: Nominate and elect Chair and Vice Chair for 2021.
   Ms. Dunn moved to elect Mr. Stovall as Chair for 2021. Dr. Na seconded the motion to elect Mr. Stovall as Chair.

Ms. Dunn moved to elect Dr. Na as Vice Chair for 2021. Dr. Na seconded the motion to elect her as Vice Chair.

8. Adjournment: The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:45 am.