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Jordan Leichty
Maas Energy Works, Inc.
3711 Meadow View Dr, #100
Redding, CA 96002

RE: Notice of Final Action - Authority to Construct for Madera Renewable Energy LLC
Facility Number: C-9139
Project Number: C-1182967

Dear Mr. Leichty:

The Air Pollution Control Officer has issued the Authority to Construct permit to Madera Renewable Energy LLC for the modification of a 1,306 bhp digester gas-fired IC engine powering an electric generator (unit C-9139-1) to increase the CO emission limit, from 0.60 g/bhp-hr to 2.0 g/bhp-hr, at 12852 Road 9, Madera. 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).

Notice of the District’s preliminary decision to issue the Authority to Construct permit was posted on August 14, 2019. The District’s analysis of the proposal was also sent to CARB on August 5, 2019. No comments were received following the District’s preliminary decision on this project.

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.

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. Errol Villegas at (559) 230-6000.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Arnaud Marjollet
Director of Permit Services

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Enclosures

cc: Courtney Graham, CARB (w/ enclosure) via email
AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT

PERMIT NO: C-9139-1-2

LEGAL OWNER OR OPERATOR: MADERA RENEWABLE ENERGY LLC
MAILING ADDRESS: 19765 AVE 13
HANFORD, CA 93230
LOCATION: 12852 ROAD 9
MADERA, CA 93637

EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:
MODIFICATION OF 1,306 BHP CATERPILLAR MODEL G3516LE DIGESTER GAS-FIRED LEAN-BURN IC ENGINE WITH A JOHNSON MATTHEY SCR CO SYSTEM POWERING AN ELECTRICAL GENERATOR: INCREASE CO EMISSION FACTOR FROM 0.6 G-CO/BHP-HR (EQUIVALENT TO 82 PPMVD CO @ 15% 02) TO 2.0 G-CO/BHP-HR (EQUIVALENT TO 223 PPMVD CO @ 15% 02)

CONDITIONS

1. Authority to Construct (ATC) C-9139-1-1 shall be implemented concurrently, or prior to the modification and startup of the equipment authorized by this ATC. [District Rule 2201]

2. All equipment shall be maintained in good operating condition and shall be operated in a manner consistent with good air pollution control practice to minimize emissions of air contaminants. [District Rule 2201]

3. No air contaminant shall be released into the atmosphere which causes a public nuisance. [District Rule 4102]

4. Particulate matter emissions shall not exceed 0.1 grains/dscf in concentration. [District Rule 4201]

5. No air contaminant shall be discharged into the atmosphere for a period or periods aggregating more than three minutes in any one hour which is as dark as, or darker than, Ringelmann 1 or 20% opacity. [District Rule 4101]

6. The exhaust stack shall vent vertically upward. The vertical exhaust flow shall not be impeded by a rain cap (flapper ok), roof overhang, or any other obstruction. [District Rule 4102]

7. This engine shall be operated and maintained in proper operating condition as recommended by the engine manufacturer or emissions control system supplier. [District Rule 4702]

8. This engine shall be operated within the range that the source testing has shown result in pollution concentrations within the emissions limits as specified on this permit. [District Rule 4702]

CONDITIONS CONTINUE ON NEXT PAGE

YOU MUST NOTIFY THE DISTRICT COMPLIANCE DIVISION AT (559) 230-5950 WHEN CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED AND PRIOR TO OPERATING THE EQUIPMENT OR MODIFICATIONS AUTHORIZED BY THIS AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT. This is NOT a PERMIT TO OPERATE. Approval or denial of a PERMIT TO OPERATE will be made after an inspection to verify that the equipment has been constructed in accordance with the approved plans, specifications and conditions of this Authority to Construct, and to determine if the equipment can be operated in compliance with all Rules and Regulations of the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District. Unless construction has commenced pursuant to Rule 2050, this Authority to Construct shall expire and application shall be cancelled two years from the date of issuance. The applicant is responsible for complying with all laws, ordinances and regulations of all other governmental agencies which may pertain to the above equipment.

Samir Sheikh, Executive Director / APCO
9. This engine shall be fired on digester gas fuel only. [District Rule 2201]

10. The sulfur content of the digester gas used as fuel in this engine shall not exceed 40 ppmv as H2S. The applicant may utilize an averaging period of up to 24 hours in length for demonstration of compliance with the fuel sulfur content limit. [District Rules 2201, 4102, 4702, and 4801]

11. This engine shall be equipped with an operational non-resettable elapsed time meter or other APCO approved alternative. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

12. This engine shall not operate more than 8,500 hours per calendar year. [District Rule 2201]

13. Emissions from this IC engine shall not exceed any of the following limits: 0.15 g-NOx/bhp-hr (equivalent to 10 ppmvd NOx @ 15% O2), NOx referenced as NO2; 0.08 g-PM10/bhp-hr; 2.0 g-CO/bhp-hr (equivalent to 223 ppmvd CO @ 15% O2); or 0.10 g-VOC/bhp-hr (equivalent to 19 ppmvd VOC @ 15% O2), VOC referenced as CH4. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

14. The SCR catalyst shall be maintained and replaced in accordance with the recommendations of the catalyst manufacturer or emission control supplier. Records of catalyst maintenance and replacement shall be maintained. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

15. Air-to-fuel ratio controller(s) shall be maintained and operated appropriately in order to ensure proper operation of the engine and control device to minimize emissions at all times. [District Rule 2201]

16. Ammonia (NH3) emissions from this engine shall not exceed 10 ppmvd @ 15% O2. [District Rules 2201 and 4102]

17. Source testing to measure NOx, CO, VOC, and ammonia (NH3) emissions from this unit shall be conducted at least once every 24 months. [District Rules 1081, 2201, and 4702]

18. Fuel sulfur content analysis shall be performed at least annually using EPA Method 11 or EPA Method 15, as appropriate. Records of the fuel sulfur content analysis shall be maintained and provided to the District upon request. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

19. Emissions source testing shall be conducted with the engine operating either at conditions representative of normal operations or conditions specified in the Permit to Operate. [District Rule 4702]

20. For emissions source testing, the arithmetic average of three 30-consecutive-minute test runs shall apply. If two of three runs are above an applicable limit, the test cannot be used to demonstrate compliance with an applicable limit. VOC emissions shall be reported as methane. NOx, CO, VOC, and NH3 concentrations shall be reported in ppmv, corrected to 15% oxygen. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

21. The following methods shall be used for source testing: NOx (ppmv) - EPA Method 7E or ARB Method 100; CO (ppmv) - EPA Method 10 or ARB Method 100; VOC (ppmv) - EPA Method 18, 25A or 25B, or ARB Method 100; stack gas oxygen - EPA Method 3 or 3A or ARB Method 100; stack gas velocity - EPA Method 2 or EPA Method 19; stack gas moisture content - EPA Method 4; PM10 (filterable and condensable) - EPA Method 201 and 202, EPA Method 201a and 202, or ARB Method 5 in combination with Method 501; NH3 - BAAQMD ST-1B or SCAQMD Method 207-1. Alternative test methods as approved by the District may also be used to address the source testing requirements of this permit. [District Rules 1081 and 4702]

22. The Higher Heating Value (HHV) of the fuel gas shall be determined using ASTM D1826, ASTM 1945 in conjunction with ASTM D3588, or an alternative method approved by the District. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

23. Source testing shall be conducted using the methods and procedures approved by the District. The District must be notified at least 30 days prior to any compliance source test, and a source test plan must be submitted for approval at least 15 days prior to testing. [District Rule 1081]

24. The results of each source test shall be submitted to the District within 60 days after completion of the source test. [District Rule 1081]
25. The sulfur content of the digester gas used to fuel the engine shall be monitored and recorded at least once every calendar quarter in which a fuel sulfur analysis is not performed. If quarterly monitoring shows a violation of the fuel sulfur content limit of this permit, monthly monitoring will be required until six consecutive months of monitoring show compliance with the fuel sulfur content limit. Once compliance with the fuel sulfur content limit is shown for six consecutive months, then the monitoring frequency may return to quarterly. Monitoring of the sulfur content of the digester gas fuel shall not be required if the engine does not operate during that period. Records of the results of monitoring of the digester gas fuel sulfur content shall be maintained. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

26. Monitoring of the digester gas sulfur content shall be performed using gas detection tubes calibrated for H2S; a digital analyzer approved for gaseous fuel analysis; a continuous fuel gas monitor that meets the requirements specified in SCAQMD Rule 431.1, Attachment A; District-approved source test methods, including EPA Method 15, ASTM Method D1072, D4084, and D5504; District-approved in-line H2S monitors; or an alternative method approved by the District. Prior to utilization of in-line monitors to demonstrate compliance with the digester gas sulfur content limit of this permit, the permittee shall submit details of the proposed monitoring system, including the make, model, and detection limits, to the District and obtain District approval for the proposed monitor(s). [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

27. The exhaust stack shall be equipped with permanent provisions to allow collection of stack gas samples consistent with EPA test methods and shall be equipped with safe permanent provisions to sample stack gases with a portable NOx, CO, and O2 analyzer during District inspections. The sampling ports shall be located in accordance with the CARB regulation titled California Air Resources Board Air Monitoring Quality Assurance Volume VI, Standard Operating Procedures for Stationary Emission Monitoring and Testing. [District Rule 1081]

28. The permittee shall monitor and record the stack concentration of NOx, CO, and O2 at least once every calendar quarter (in which a source test is not performed) using a portable emission monitor that meets District specifications. Monitoring shall be performed not less than once every month for 12 months if two consecutive deviations are observed during quarterly monitoring. Monitoring shall not be required if the engine is not in operation, i.e. the engine need not be started solely to perform monitoring. Monitoring shall be performed within 5 days of restarting the engine unless monitoring has been performed within the last month if on a monthly monitoring schedule, or within the last quarter if on a quarterly monitoring schedule. Records must be maintained of the dates of non-operation to validate extended monitoring frequencies. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

29. The permittee shall monitor and record the stack concentration of NH3 at least once every calendar quarter in which a source test is not performed. NH3 monitoring shall be conducted utilizing District approved gas-detection tubes or a District approved equivalent method. Monitoring shall not be required if the unit is not in operation, i.e. the unit need not be started solely to perform monitoring. Monitoring shall be performed within 5 days of restarting the unit unless monitoring has been performed within the last quarter. Records must be maintained of the dates of non-operation to validate extended monitoring frequencies. [District Rules 2201 and 4012]

30. If the NOx, CO, or NH3 concentrations corrected to 15% O2, as measured by the portable analyzer or the District-approved ammonia monitoring equipment, exceed the respective permitted emissions concentration(s), the permittee shall return the emissions to within the acceptable range as soon as possible, but no longer than 8 hours of operation after detection. If the portable analyzer or ammonia monitoring equipment readings continue to exceed the permitted emissions concentration(s) after 8 hours of operation after detection, the permittee shall notify the District within the following 1 hour and conduct a certified source test within 60 days of the first exceedance. In lieu of conducting a source test, the permittee may stipulate a violation has occurred, subject to enforcement action. The permittee must then correct the violation, show compliance has been re-established, and resume monitoring procedures. If the deviations are the result of a qualifying breakdown condition pursuant to Rule 1100, the permittee may fully comply with Rule 1100 in lieu of the performing the notification and testing required by this condition. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

31. All alternate monitoring parameter emission readings shall be taken with the unit operating either at conditions representative of normal operations or conditions specified in the permit-to-operate. The analyzer shall be calibrated, maintained, and operated in accordance with the manufacturer’s specifications and recommendations or a protocol approved by the APCO. Emission readings taken shall be averaged over a 15 consecutive-minute period by either taking a cumulative 15 consecutive-minute sample reading or by taking at least five (5) readings, evenly spaced out over the 15 consecutive-minute period. [District Rule 4702]
32. The permittee shall maintain records of: (1) the date and time of NOx, CO, O2, and NH3 measurements, (2) the O2 concentration in percent and the measured NOx, CO, and NH3 concentrations corrected to 15% O2, (3) make and model of exhaust gas analyzer, (4) exhaust gas analyzer calibration records, (5) the method of determining the NH3 emission concentration, and (6) a description of any corrective action taken to maintain the emissions within the acceptable range. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

33. The permittee shall monitor and record the SCR system reagent injection rate and the engine operating load at least once per month. [District Rule 4702]

34. The SCR system reagent injection rate may be reestablished during a performance test by monitoring the SCR system reagent injection rate concurrently with each testing run to reestablish acceptable values and ranges that provide a reasonable assurance of ongoing compliance with the emissions limitations stated in this permit. Acceptable values and ranges may be reestablished for each load that the engine is expected to operate at, in a minimum of 10% increments (e.g. 70%, 80%, and 90%). The acceptable SCR system reagent injection rate(s) demonstrated during the performance test that result in compliance with the NOx emission limits shall be imposed as a condition in the Permit to Operate. [District Rule 4702]

35. If the SCR system reagent injection rate is outside of the established acceptable range, the permittee shall return the SCR system reagent injection rate to within the established acceptable range as soon as possible, but no longer than 8 hours after detection. If the SCR system reagent injection rate is not returned to within acceptable range within 8 hours, the permittee shall notify the District within the following 1 hour and begin monitoring and recording the stack concentration of NOx and O2 at least once every month. Monthly monitoring of the stack concentration of NOx and O2 shall continue until the operator can show that the SCR system reagent injection rate is returned to operating within the acceptable ranges specified within this permit. [District Rule 4702]

36. The inlet temperature to the catalyst control system and the back pressure of the exhaust upstream of the catalyst control system may be reestablished during a performance test by monitoring concurrently with each testing run to reestablish acceptable values and ranges that provide a reasonable assurance of ongoing compliance with the emissions limitations stated in this permit. Acceptable values and ranges may be reestablished for each load that the engine is expected to operate at, in a minimum of 10% increments (e.g. 70%, 80%, and 90%). The acceptable inlet temperature to the catalyst control system and the back pressure of the exhaust upstream of the catalyst control system demonstrated during the performance test that result in compliance with the CO and VOC emission limits shall be imposed as a condition in the Permit to Operate. [District Rule 4702]

37. The permittee shall monitor and record the inlet temperature to the SCR system, the back pressure of the exhaust upstream of the catalyst control system, and the engine operating load at least once per month. [District Rule 4702]

38. If the inlet temperature to the catalyst control system and/or the back pressure of the exhaust upstream of the catalyst control system is outside of the established acceptable ranges established during the initial compliance test, the permittee shall return the inlet temperature to the catalyst control system and the back pressure of the exhaust upstream of the catalyst control system back to the acceptable range as soon as possible, but no longer than 8 hours after detection. If the inlet temperature to the catalyst control system and the back pressure of the exhaust upstream of the catalyst control system are not returned to within acceptable range within 8 hours, the permittee shall notify the District within the following 1 hour and begin monitoring and recording the stack concentration of CO and O2 at least once every month. Monthly monitoring of the stack concentration of CO and O2 shall continue until the operator can show that the inlet temperature to the catalyst control system and the back pressure of the exhaust upstream of the catalyst control system are returned to operating within the acceptable ranges specified within this permit. [District Rule 4702]

39. The permittee shall update the I&M plan for this engine prior to any planned change in operation. The permittee must notify the District no later than seven days after changing the I&M plan and must submit an updated I&M plan to the APCO for approval no later than 14 days after the change. The date and time of the change to the I&M plan shall be recorded in the engine's operating log. For modifications, the revised I&M plan shall be submitted to and approved by the APCO prior to issuance of the Permit to Operate. The permittee may request a change to the I&M plan at any time. [District Rule 4702]
40. The permittee shall maintain an engine operating log to demonstrate compliance. The engine operating log shall include, on a monthly basis, the following information: the total hours of operation, the type and quantity of fuel used, maintenance and modifications performed, monitoring data, compliance source test results, and any other information necessary to demonstrate compliance. Quantity of fuel used shall be recorded in standard cubic feet using a non-resettable, totalizing mass or volumetric fuel flow meter or other APCO approved-device. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]

41. Records of hydrogen sulfide analyzer(s) installed or utilized and the calibration records of such analyzer(s) shall be maintained. Records are only required on such analyzer(s) utilized to demonstrate compliance with this permit. [District Rule 2201]

42. The permittee shall record the total time the engine operates, in hours per calendar year. [District Rule 2201]

43. All records shall be maintained and retained for a minimum of five (5) years, and shall be made available for District inspection upon request. All records may be maintained and submitted in an electronic format approved by the District. [District Rules 2201 and 4702]