

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

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Meeting held in Southern Region Office with the Central Region Office via VTC

1. Call Meeting to Order

The Chair, John Stovall, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Nancy Dunn - Public	Present
John Stovall – Attorney (Chair)	Present
Kory Weber - Public	Present
Noelle Penner – Engineer (Primary)	Absent
Dr. Chang Na – Medical (Primary)	Absent

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 from November 12, 2025

10. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on February 11, 2026.

Public Comments: None

Moved: Weber
Seconded: Stovall
Ayes: Stovall, Weber, Dunn
Abstain: None
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar Items 9-11

4. Public Hearing

The Chair, Mr. Stovall, swore in all those present to testify for all matters.

A. S-25-33S Short

Alon Bakersfield Refining
6451 Rosedale Highway
Bakersfield, CA 93308

Petitioner: Matthew Jalali

Shannon Moore presented the staff report.

ALON has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, 2520 and 4306 in addition to the applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested short variance would be effective for a non-consecutive 105-hour period to occur sometime between January 6, 2026, and March 15, 2026, inclusive. If granted, the short variance would allow ALON to exceed the 2-hour shutdown/start-up time and to operate with excess NOx emissions during the shutdown, and subsequent start-up of the furnace after the scheduled maintenance is completed.

Moved: Weber
Seconded: Dunn
Ayes: Stovall, Weber, Dunn
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-25-33S

5. Public Comments: Public comment made by Christian Bisher
6. Hearing Board Member Comments: None
7. New Business: None
8. Adjournment: The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:21 a.m.