

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

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, August 9, 2023

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 10:05 a.m.

2. Roll Call

John Stovall – Attorney	Present
Nancy Dunn – Public	Present
Dr. Chang Na – Medical (Primary)	Absent
Dr. Robert Moeller – Medical (Alternate)	Present

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 Wednesday, July 20, 2023

10. The Southern Region Hearing Board has not heard, nor granted any emergency variances since the June 14, 2023 hearing.

11. Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on September 13, 2023.

Public Comments: None

Moved: Dunn
Seconded: Dr. Moeller
Ayes: Stovall, Dr. Moeller, 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.

	<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
A.	S-23-19S	Short	McKittrick Limited 4905 Reward Road Bakersfield, CA 93251
B.	S-23-20S	Short	Bear Mountain Limited 7001 Camino Grande Road Bakersfield, CA 93306
C.	S-23-21S	Short	Live Oak Limited 7001 Granite Road Bakersfield, CA 93308
D.	S-23-22S	Short	Badger Creek Limited 535 Fano Avenue Bakersfield, CA 93308

Petitioner: Cory Eagar

Chris Kalashian presented the staff report.

MCKITTRICK, BEAR, LIVE OAK, and BADGER CREEK are requesting a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 1080, 2070, 2201, 2520, 4001, and 4703 in addition to the applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested short variance will be for a non-consecutive 48 hour period to occur sometime between August 15, 2023, and September 15, 2023, inclusive. If granted, the variance will allow MCKITTRICK, BEAR, LIVE OAK, and BADGER CREEK to operate the facility without a functioning DAHS.

The petitioner, Cory Eagar added that the DAHS is being replaced because the current DAHS is no longer compatible with the new EPA quarterly reporting standards.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dunn
Seconded: Dr. Moeller
Ayes: Stovall, Dr. Moeller, Dunn
Nays: None

Each motion was unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-23-19S, S-23-20S, S-23-21S, and S-23-22S

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
E. S-23-23S	Short	Aera Energy LLC PO Box 11164 Bakersfield, CA 93389

Petitioner: Sam Parks and Jordan Wyrick

Will Coon presented the staff report.

AERA has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2080, 2201, 2520, and 4623, in addition to applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested short variance period would be effective for a non-consecutive 144-hour period to occur sometime between August 10, 2023, and October 10, 2023, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow AERA to continue to store VOC containing liquids in the subject tanks without a functional or operating VRS while the pipe section is replaced.

Mr. Stovall asked if the VOC would be 1,950 tons at a cost of \$1.2 million if the full time period was used by AERA; Will Coon confirmed.

Sam Parks said they do not expect to use the full 144 hours but wanted to ensure enough time was allotted to complete the project safely.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dr. Moeller
Seconded: Dunn
Ayes: Stovall, Dr. Moeller, Dunn
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-23-23S

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
F. S-23-24S	Short	Aera Energy LLC PO Box 11164 Bakersfield, CA 93389

Petitioner: Sam Parks and Nick Manning

Shannon Moore presented the staff report.

AERA has requested a short variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2010, 2070, 2080, 2201, 2520, 4401, and 4623, in addition to applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested short variance period would be effective for a non-consecutive 48 hour period to occur sometime between

September 15, 2023 and November 14, 2023, inclusive. If granted, the variance would allow AERA to continue to store VOC containing liquids in the subject tanks without a functional or operating VRS and allow wells with closed casing vents to produce into tanks that do not have a functional or operating VRS.

Public Comment: None

Moved: Dunn
Seconded: Dr. Moeller
Ayes: Stovall, Dr. Moeller, Dunn
Nays: None

Motion unanimously carried to approve Docket No. S-23-24S

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
G. S-23-25S	Short	Kern Energy 7724 E. Panama Lane Bakersfield, CA 93307

*District counsel noted that KERN withdrew their variance request.

5. Public Comments: None
6. Hearing Board Member Comments: None
7. New Business: None
8. Adjournment: The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:34 a.m.