

**ACTION SUMMARY**  
**(Unofficial)**

**Hearing Board**

**August 5, 2015**

**9:30 A.M.**

**APCD Hearing Board Members:**

Donald R. Ward  
Dr. Francis P. Lagattuta  
Robert J. Saperstein, Chair  
David Schmarje  
Larry Lavagnino, Vice-Chair

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING ROOM  
BETTERAVIA GOVERNMENT CENTER  
511 EAST LAKESIDE PARKWAY  
SANTA MARIA, CA**

**I. 9:31 a.m. – Convened by Chair Saperstein – Roll Call**

Present: 5 - Ward, Lagattuta, Saperstein, Schmarje,  
Lavagnino.

Absent: 0 - None.

**II. Administration of Oath to Participants**

All participants were sworn in.

**III. Approval of minutes of the July 1, 2015 meeting**

A motion was made by Hearing Board member Lavagnino, seconded by Hearing Board member Schmarje that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote.

Ayes: 3 - Lagattuta, Schmarje, Lavagnino.

Noes: 0 - None.

Abstain: 2 - Ward, Saperstein.

Absent: 0 - None.

**IV. Requests for continuance or addition of Ex-Agenda items.**

None.

**V. Announcements/Staff Reports**

Mike McKay, Inspection Specialist III, informed Hearing Board members that the District is considering holding an offsite class to refresh members on Hearing Board procedures as well as bring them up to speed with District operations. The class would take place sometime in the Fall and more information will be sent out as details are finalized.

**Clerk of the APCD Board:**

Louis D. Van Mullem, Jr.

## VI. Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

## VII. Public Hearings

- 1) Case No. 2015-20-R – ExxonMobil Production Company  
12000 Calle Real, Goleta, CA 93117

**Hearing** – To consider an application by ExxonMobil Production Company for a Regular Variance from District Rule 328 and Rule 206, Conditions 9.C.12 and 9.C.12.(b) of Part 70/Permit to Operate 8092. The Petitioner operates equipment at their gas processing plant, approximately 25 miles northwest of Santa Barbara, CA. The facility's continuous emissions monitoring plan requires that annual Relative Accuracy Test Audits and quarterly audits and calibrations be performed. Due to conditions beyond the reasonable control of the Petitioner, the facility is shutdown, therefore the required tests cannot be performed. The Petitioner is currently operating under Interim Variance Order 2015-19-I.

Patrice Surmeier appeared on behalf of the Petitioner; Mike McKay represented the District; Jerry Czuleger acted as Counsel for the Hearing Board.

Following testimony by the Petitioner and the District, the Hearing Board unanimously agreed that the six findings had been met. A motion was made by Hearing Board member Lavagnino, seconded by Hearing Board member Ward to accept the findings as stated by the Hearing Board and that the variance be granted as submitted in the draft Findings and Order. Regular Variance number 2015-20-R was granted with conditions as specified in the Findings and Order for the period of June 26, 2015 through June 25, 2016, or within 90 calendar days of POPCO resuming the processing of platform gas, whichever occurs first, by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Ward, Lagattuta, Saperstein, Schmarje, Lavagnino.  
Noes: 0 - None.  
Abstain: 0 - None.  
Absent: 0 - None.

## VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

Approved by vote on one motion. These items read only on request of Hearing Board members.

The following Variance Orders have been approved by the Air Pollution Control District Hearing Board. These orders are available for inspection and reproduction during normal business hours at the office of the Air Pollution Control District, 260 North San Antonio Rd., Suite A, Santa Barbara, California 93110.

- A-1) Case No. – 2015-17-N – ExxonMobil Production Company  
12000 Calle Real, Goleta, CA 93117

On July 10, 2015 Hearing Board member Larry Lavagnino approved a 90-Day Variance for the period of June 7, 2015 through September 4, 2015, or the date compliance is achieved, whichever occurs first. Said variance provides relief from District Rule 206, Condition 9.C.1(a)(i) of Part 70/Permit to Operate 5651 and allows for continued operation of the Petitioner's Gas Turbine Generator (GTG) Zan-2501 and Heat Recovery Steam Generator (HRSG) while a replacement for a faulty valve is obtained and installed.

**A-2) Case No. – 2015-19-I – ExxonMobil Production Company  
12000 Calle Real, Goleta, CA 93117**

**On July 7, 2015 Hearing Board member Donald Ward approved an Interim Variance for the period of June 26, 2015 through September 23, 2015 or the date of decision on Petitioner’s request for a Regular Variance, whichever occurs first. Due to conditions beyond the reasonable control of the Petitioner, this Variance provides relief from District Rule 328 and Rule 206, Condition 9.C.12 of Part 70/Permit to Operate 8092 and grants the Petitioner protection for non-performance of the required testing and calibration procedures.**

A motion was made by Hearing Board member Ward, seconded by Hearing Board member Schmarje that Administrative Agenda items A-1 through A-2 be received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote.

Ayes: 5 - Ward, Lagattuta, Saperstein, Schmarje, Lavagnino.  
Noes: 0 - None.  
Abstain: 0 - None.  
Absent: 0 - None.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District Hearing Board is September 2, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.**