



digging out the well casing to the safest extent feasible. Without an emergency variance, the Petitioner would be in violation beginning on April 07, 2016 and continuing every day until the source of the leak is found and repaired. If repairs take longer than the variance period allows, the Petitioner will need to submit an Interim and 90-Day variance petition in order to maintain variance protection.

6. Due to its remote location, the continued operation of Well 82 in violation of Rule 325 is not expected to result in a public nuisance.
7. The District staff supports the Petition as conditioned below.
8. Pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 42359.5, I find that "good cause" exists for the granting of Petitioner's request for an Emergency Variance.

**THEREFORE, THE HEARING BOARD ORDERS,** as follows:

That an Emergency Variance be granted for the continued operation of Petitioner's Well 82 in violation of District Rule 325 from April 07, 2016 to May 06, 2016 with the following conditions:

1. Petitioner shall keep District staff informed regarding their efforts to achieve compliance. By not later than May 20, 2016 the Petitioner shall submit a report to the District and Hearing Board documenting the date the facility returned to compliance along with all emissions related to the leaking wellhead casing valve.
2. Petitioner shall retain the obligation to comply with all other local, state and federal regulations not specifically referenced in the Order.
3. Failure to abide by all conditions of this Order shall subject the Petitioner receiving the variance to penalties set forth in Health and Safety Code section 42402.
4. Each day during any portion of which a violation occurs is a separate offense.

DATED: 4.13.16



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Larry Lavagnino, Chair  
Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District  
Hearing Board