

ACTION SUMMARY
(Unofficial)

Hearing Board

August 3, 2016

9:30 A.M.

APCD Hearing Board Members:

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

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING ROOM
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
105 EAST ANAPAMU STREET
SANTA BARBARA, CA**

I. 9:33 a.m. – Convened by Vice-Chair Ward – Roll Call

Present: 4 - Ward, Lagattuta, Saperstein, Schmarje.

Absent: 0 - None.

II. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for remainder of 2016

A motion was made by Hearing Board member Saperstein, seconded by Hearing Board member Lagattuta to elect Donald Ward as Chair and David Schmarje as Vice-Chair. The motion carried by the following vote.

Ayes: 4 - Ward, Lagattuta, Saperstein, Schmarje.

Noes: 0 - None.

Abstain: 0 - None.

Absent: 0 - None.

III. Administration of Oath to Participants

All participants were sworn in.

IV. Approval of minutes of the June 1, 2016 meeting

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

Ayes: 4 - Ward, Lagattuta, Saperstein, Schmarje.

Noes: 0 - None.

Abstain: 0 - None.

Absent: 0 - None.

Clerk of the APCD Board:

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V. Requests for continuance or addition of Ex-Agenda items.

None.

VI. Announcements/Staff Reports

Mike McKay, Inspection Specialist III at the District, reminded members the recruitment to fill the vacant public member position on the Hearing Board would be closing on Friday, August 5, 2016.

VII. Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

VIII. Public Hearings

- 1) **Case No. – 2016-19-R** - **Dos Cuadras Offshore Resources, LLC
290 Maple Court, Suite 290, Ventura, CA 93003**

Hearing – To consider an application by Dos Cuadras Offshore Resources, LLC submitted on May 25, 2016 for a Regular Variance from District Rule 206, Conditions 9.A.10, 9.C.2(a), and 9.C.2(b) of Part 70/Permit to Operate 9110. The Petitioner operates the equipment described in the Petition on Platform A located on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) lease tract OCS-P-0241 approximately six miles offshore and south-southeast from the City of Santa Barbara, California.

Christine White and Bob Garcia 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 Schmarje, seconded by Hearing Board member Saperstein 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 2016-19-R was granted with conditions as specified in the Findings and Order for the period of June 5, 2016 through December 31, 2016, by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Ward, Lagattuta, Saperstein, Schmarje.
Noes: 0 - None.
Abstain: 0 - None.
Absent: 0 - None.

- 2) **Case No. – 2016-22-R** - **Dos Cuadras Offshore Resources, LLC
290 Maple Court, Suite 290, Ventura, CA 93003**

Hearing – To consider an application by Dos Cuadras Offshore Resources, LLC submitted on June 29, 2016 for a Regular Variance from District Rule 206, Conditions 9.B.2(c), 9.B.2(d), and 9.C.1(c)(iii) of Part 70/Permit to Operate 9114. The Petitioner operates the equipment described in the Petition on Platform Hillhouse located on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) lease tract OCS-P-0241 approximately six miles offshore and south-southeast from the City of Santa Barbara, California.

Christine White and Bob Garcia 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 Saperstein, seconded by Hearing Board member Schmarje 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 2016-22-R was granted with conditions as specified in the Findings and Order for the period of July 1, 2016 through February 16, 2017, by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Ward, Lagattuta, Saperstein, Schmarje.
Noes: 0 - None.
Abstain: 0 - None.
Absent: 0 - None.

IX. 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. – 2016-18-I – Dos Cuadras Offshore Resources, LLC
290 Maple Court, Suite 290, Ventura, CA 93003**

On June 17, 2016 Hearing Board member Donald Ward approved an Interim Variance for the period of June 5, 2016 through September 2, 2016, or the date of decision on the Petitioner's request for a Regular Variance, whichever occurs first. Said variance provides relief from District Rule 206, Conditions 9.A.10, 9.C.2(a), and 9.C.2(b) of Part 70/Permit to Operate 9110 and allows for continued operation of Petitioner's offshore oil and gas Platform A with excess emissions created from unplanned flaring while repairs are made to the main gas compressor.

**A-2) Case No. – 2016-20-E – Santa Maria Energy
7980 East San Antonio Road, Santa Maria, CA 93455**

On June 14, 2016 Hearing Board member David Schmarje approved an Emergency Variance for the period of June 15, 2016 through June 24, 2016. Said variance provides relief from District Rule 359 and Rule 206, Condition 6 of Permit to Operate 8896 and allows for continued operation of Petitioner's Careaga Lease without an operable Thermal Oxidizer while repairs are made.

**A-3) Case No. – 2016-21-I – Dos Cuadras Offshore Resources, LLC
290 Maple Court, Suite 290, Ventura, CA 93003**

On July 11, 2016 Hearing Board member Robert Saperstein approved an Interim Variance for the period of July 1, 2016 through September 28, 2016, or the date of decision on the Petitioner's request for a Regular Variance, whichever occurs first. Said variance provides relief from District Rule 206, Conditions 9.B.2(c), 9.B.2(d) and 9.C.1(c)(iii) of Part 70/Permit to Operate 9114 and allows for continued operation of Petitioner's offshore oil and gas Platform Hilhouse while repairs are made to the North Crane.

A motion was made by Hearing Board member Schmarje, seconded by Hearing Board member Lagattuta that Administrative Agenda items A-1 through A-3 be received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote.

Ayes: 4 - Ward, Lagattuta, Saperstein, Schmarje.
Noes: 0 - None.
Abstain: 0 - None.
Absent: 0 - None.

X. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District Hearing Board is September 7, 2016, 9:30 a.m.