



ACTION SUMMARY
(Unofficial)

SPECIAL MEETING
July 1, 2022

9:30 A.M.

APCD Hearing Board

Dr. Steven Colome, Vice-Chair
Robert J. Saperstein
Lee-Volker Cox
Terence Dressler, Chair
Francis Peters, Jr.

Counsel of the Hearing Board:
Maria Salido Novatt
Paul Lee

REMOTE VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION ONLY
Zoom Hearing Board Meeting

A. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Convened by Chair Dressler at 9:30 a.m.

Present: 4 - Colome, Dressler, Peters, Saperstein.
Absent: 1 - Cox.

B. REPORT ON CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY

1. Reconsider the circumstances of the COVID-19 state of emergency;
2. Consider whether state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote [social distancing](#);
3. Find that the legislative body has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency, and that State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing; and
4. Direct staff to continue to notice and hold hearings as remote hearings consistent with Government Code § 54953(e)(3).

A motion was made by Hearing Board member Colome, seconded by Hearing Board member Saperstein, that the Hearing Board has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency, that State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, and directed staff to continue to notice and hold hearings as remote hearings consistent with Government Code § 54953(e)(3). The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Colome, Dressler, Peters, Saperstein.
Noes: 0 - None.
Abstain: 0 - None.
Absent: 1 - Cox.

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C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve minutes of the May 4, 2022 regular meeting; and

Approve minutes of the June 1, 2022 regular meeting.

A motion was made by Hearing Board member Saperstein, seconded by Hearing Board member Colome that all the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Colome, Peters, Dressler, Saperstein.
Noes: 0 - None.
Abstain: 0 - None.
Absent: 1 - Cox.

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS / STAFF REPORTS

Receive announcements or reports from staff on matters of interest to the Hearing Board. There will be no Hearing Board discussion except to ask questions or refer matters to staff; and no action will be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda.

Aimee Long of the District informed the Hearing Board that there are no staff reports or announcements at this time.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Persons desiring to address the Hearing Board on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Hearing Board not included as part of the agenda may do so at this time.

There were no public comments.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS - Administration of Oath to be conducted prior to each hearing.

**F-1) Case No. 2022-05-R (Regular Variance)
Beacon West Energy Group, LLC, 1145 Eugenia Place, #101, Carpinteria, CA 93013**

To consider a Petition for Regular Variance from District Rules 325.E.1 and 206, Part 70 Permit to Operate 9108-R4 Condition 9.C.9 submitted on May 10, 2022, for venting gas through the flare header without an emission control device. The Petitioner operates the equipment described in the Petition at Platform Hogan located on offshore lease tract OCS-P-0166, approximately 8 miles southeast from the City of Santa Barbara, California.

Representatives for the Hearing Board: Maria Salido Novatt (Counsel).
Representatives for the District: Aimee Long, and Kaitlin McNally.
Representatives for the Petitioner: John Garnet and Keith Wenal.

Hearing held. Following testimony, the Hearing Board agreed that the six findings were made. A motion was made by Hearing Board member Saperstein, seconded by Hearing Board member Peters to accept the findings with the proposed in Regular Variance 2022-05-R and be granted as updated in the draft Findings and Order for the period of July 1, 2022 through May 9, 2023, or the date compliance is achieved, whichever occurs first. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Colome, Dressler, Peters, Saperstein.
Noes: 0 - None.
Abstain: 0 - None.
Absent: 1 - Cox.

G. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

- G-1) Case No. – 2022-04-I**
Beacon West Energy Group, LLC, 1145 Eugenia Place, #101, Carpinteria, CA 93013

On June 22, 2022 Hearing Board member Terence Dressler approved an Interim Variance for the period of May 10, 2022 through August 7, 2022, or the date a decision is made on the Regular Variance, or the date compliance is achieved, whichever occurs first. Said variance provides relief from District Rules 325.E.1, and 206, Part 70 Permit to Operate 9108-R4, Conditions 9.C.9 and allows for venting gas through the flare header without an emission control device. The Petitioner operates the equipment described in the Variance at Platform Hogan located on offshore lease tract OCS-P-0166, approximately 8 miles southeast from the City of Santa Barbara, California.

- G-2) Case No. – 2022-06-I**
Sierra Resources, Inc., PO Box 2788, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

On June 22, 2022 Hearing Board member Terence Dressler approved an Interim Variance for the period of May 11, 2022 through August 8, 2022, or the date a decision is made on the 90-Day Variance, or the date compliance is achieved, whichever occurs first. Said variance provides relief from District Rules 361.F.2 and 206, Permit to Operate 7744-R12, Conditions 3.d.i and 6.a and allows for continued operations of the boiler without conducting the biennial source test. The Petitioner operates the equipment described in the Variance at the Soladino Lease located in Casmalia, California.

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

Ayes: 4 - Colome, Dressler, Peters, Saperstein.
Noes: 0 - None.
Abstain: 0 - None.
Absent: 1 - Cox.

H. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 a.m to a Special Meeting, date and time to be determined at the discretion of the Chair.