

August 25, 2004

Ms. Deborah Jordan, Director
Air Management Division
United States Environmental Protection Agency
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

Dear Ms. Jordan:

The District has reopened the following Major Facility Review permit:

Facility #	Facility Name	Address, City	Type of Operation
A0011	Shell Martinez Refinery, Shell Oil Products US	3485 Pacheco Blvd. Martinez, CA 94553	Petroleum Refinery

The purpose of the reopening is: to finalize flare conditions, finalize monitoring for Regulation 9, Rule 10 limits, to incorporate authorities to construct that have been identified by the facility as "critical", and to incorporate other corrections.

The District sent the formal notice of reopening pursuant to BAAQMD Regulation 2-6-415 on December 15, 2003. The regulation requires at least 30 days' notice for any reopening.

The District invited public comment on the changes to proposed permit and on changes made to the draft permit published on August 12, 2003, as reflected in the final permit issued on December 1, 2003. The notice was published in the Contra Costa Times on March 1, 2004. The final date for comments was March 31, 2004, but was extended to April 14, 2004. The District received comments from the public, EPA, and the facility. The District has amended the permit in response to comments and is sending the proposed permit to EPA for review.

Enclosed for your information are copies of the proposed permit, the statement of basis, and the response to EPA's comments. A copy of all comments is available on the District's Title V website. Responses to the refinery's comments and the public's comments will be available shortly. If you have any questions regarding this project, please call Steve A. Hill, Permit Evaluation Manager, at (415) 749-4673, fax (415) 749-5030.

Sincerely,

Jack P. Broadbent
Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer

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