Valero Hydrogen Vent Enforcement Case

The Bay Area Air Management District takes serious and significant action to end air quality violations at Valero

Timeline of Events

	Air District	DATE	Valero
	Investigation of Valero Refinery Co. at its Benicia facility begins	November 2018	
X DLATION	Notice of Violation issued to Valero for serious and significant excessive emissions	March 2019	Valero begins to make changes to reduce emissions
IRA	Initial Health Risk Assessment report was completed	August 2019	
-		November 2019	Initial solutions at Valero are in place
	Air District monitors emissions	November 2019– May 2020	Valero monitors emissions
			Emissions continue to exceed allowable limits
	Air District finds Valero's proposed solutions are unsatisfactory	May 2020- Present	Emissions are reduced by 71% but are still above allowable limits. Valero proposes other solutions.
	Air District makes a referral to federal and state partners to determine if laws were violated	April 2021	
RA	Revised Health Risk Assessment report to determine effectiveness of changes made at Valero	December 2021	
	Air District requests approval of an abatement order with the independent Hearing Board to end a significant excess emissions violation by Valero at its Benicia refinery	January 2022	
	Abatement order presentation to the Hearing Board and public opportunity to comment	March 15, 2022	



