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**Re: Final - Authority to Construct / Certificate of Conformity (Minor Mod)
Project # S-1114686**

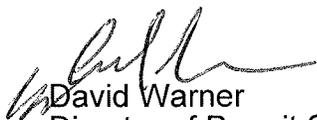
Dear Mr. Rios:

The Air Pollution Control Officer has issued Authorities to Construct (S-3755-20-2, '-28-0, and '-29-0) with Certificates of Conformity to Seneca Western Minerals Corporation. Seneca Western Minerals Corporation has proposed to install two new fixed roof tanks and vapor control shared with the existing vapor control system listed on permit S-3755-20.

Enclosed are copies of the Authorities to Construct. The application and proposal were sent to US EPA Region IX on March 30, 2012. No comments were received following the District's preliminary decision on this project.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Leonard Scandura, Permit Services Manager, at (661) 392-5500.

Sincerely,



David Warner
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Mr. Timothy Alburger
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Project # S-1114686**

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Enclosed are the Authorities to Construct and invoice. The application and proposal were sent to US EPA Region IX on March 30, 2012. No comments were received following the District's preliminary decision on this project.

Prior to operating with modifications authorized by the Authority to Construct, you must submit an application to modify the Title V permit as an administrative amendment in accordance with District Rule 2520, Section 11.5.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Leonard Scandura, Permit Services Manager, at (661) 392-5500.

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AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT

PERMIT NO: S-3755-20-2

ISSUANCE DATE: 05/15/2012

LEGAL OWNER OR OPERATOR: SENECA WESTERN MINERALS CORP.

MAILING ADDRESS: 2131 MARS CT
BAKERSFIELD, CA 93308

LOCATION: HEAVY OIL WESTERN

EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:

MODIFICATION OF A 1,500 BBL WELDED FIXED ROOF WASH TANK WITH VAPOR RECOVERY SYSTEM VENTED TO THE CASING GAS GATHERING SYSTEM AND APPROVED INCINERATION DEVICES STEAM GENERATORS S-3755-11, '19, S-1114-113, AND/OR FLARE S-3755-10 AND SERVING TANKS S-3755-21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, AND 27: CONNECT VAPOR RECOVERY SYSTEM TO 500 BBL PRODUCED WATER TANK S-3755-28 AND 500 BBL SAND DUMP TANK S-3755-29

CONDITIONS

1. The facility shall submit an application to modify the Title V permit in accordance with the timeframes and procedures of District Rule 2520. [District Rule 2520] Federally Enforceable Through Title V Permit
2. Within 90 days of startup of the equipment authorized by this Authority to Construct, Permits to Operate S-3755-6, '7, '8, and '9 shall be surrendered to the District and the associated equipment shall be removed or rendered inoperable. [District Rule 2201]
3. This Authority to Construct (ATC) shall be implemented concurrently with or subsequently to ATCs S-3755-20-0 and S-3755-20-1. [District Rule 2201]
4. Authority to Construct (ATC) S-1114-113-0 shall be implemented concurrently, or prior to the modification and startup of the equipment authorized by this Authority to Construct. [District Rule 2201]
5. The VOC content of the gas shall not exceed 10% by weight. [District Rule 2201]
6. Operator shall conduct quarterly gas sampling for gas exiting the separator pressure vessel to qualify for exemption from fugitive component counts for components handling fluids with VOC content equal to or less than 10% by weight. If gas samples are equal to or less than 10% VOC by weight for 8 consecutive quarterly samplings, sampling frequency shall only be required annually. [District Rule 2201]

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Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director / APCO



DAVID WARNER, Director of Permit Services

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7. VOC content of vapor shall be determined by ASTM D1945, ASTM D1946, EPA Method 18 referenced as methane, or equivalent test method with prior District approval. [District Rule 2201]
8. The tank shall be equipped with a vapor recovery system consisting of a closed vent system that collects all VOCs from the storage tank, and a VOC control device. The vapor recovery system shall be APCO-approved and maintained in leak-free condition. The VOC control device shall be either of the following: a vapor return or condensation system that connects to a gas pipeline distribution system, or an approved VOC destruction device that reduces the inlet VOC emissions by at least 95% by weight as determined by the test method specified in Section 6.4.6. [District Rules 2201 and 4623]
9. All piping, valves, and fittings shall be constructed and maintained in a leak-free condition. [District Rules 2201 and 4623]
10. A leak-free condition is defined as a condition without a gas leak or a liquid leak. A gas leak is defined as a reading in excess of 10,000 parts per million by volume (ppmv), as methane, above background on a portable hydrocarbon detection instrument that is calibrated with methane in accordance with EPA Method 21. A liquid leak is defined as the dripping of organic liquid at a rate of more than 3 drops per minute. [District Rule 4623]
11. Any tank gauging or sampling device on a tank vented to the vapor recovery system shall be equipped with a leak-free cover which shall be closed at all times except during gauging or sampling. [District Rules 2201 and 4623]
12. Except as otherwise provided in this permit, the operator shall ensure that the vapor recovery system is functional and is operating as designed at all times. [District Rules 2201]
13. All piping, fittings, and valves on this tank shall be inspected annually by the facility operator in accordance with EPA Method 21, with the instrument calibrated with methane, to ensure compliance with the leaking provisions of this permit. [District Rules 2201 and 4623]
14. Any component found to be leaking on two consecutive annual inspections is in violation of the District Rule 4623, even if it is under the voluntary inspection and maintenance program. [District Rules 2201 and 4623]
15. Operator shall maintain an inspection log containing the following: 1) Type of component leaking; 2) Date and time of leak detection, and method of detection; 3) Date and time of leak repair, and emission level of recheck after leak is repaired; 4) Method used to minimize the leak to lowest possible level within 8 hours after detection. [District Rules 2201 and 4623]
16. Operator shall maintain all records of required monitoring data and support information for inspection at any time for a period of five years. [District Rule 1070]



AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT

PERMIT NO: S-3755-28-0

ISSUANCE DATE: 05/15/2012

LEGAL OWNER OR OPERATOR: SENECA WESTERN MINERALS CORP.

MAILING ADDRESS: 2131 MARS CT
BAKERSFIELD, CA 93308

LOCATION: HEAVY OIL WESTERN

EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:

500 BBL WELDED FIXED ROOF PRODUCED WATER TANK CONNECTED TO THE VAPOR RECOVERY SYSTEM LISTED ON S-3755-20

CONDITIONS

1. The facility shall submit an application to modify the Title V permit in accordance with the timeframes and procedures of District Rule 2520. [District Rule 2520] Federally Enforceable Through Title V Permit
2. This Authority to Construct (ATC) shall be implemented concurrently with ATC S-3755-20-2. [District Rule 2201]
3. The VOC content of the gas shall not exceed 10% by weight. [District Rule 2201]
4. Operator shall conduct quarterly gas sampling for gas exiting the separator pressure vessel to qualify for exemption from fugitive component counts for components handling fluids with VOC content equal to or less than 10% by weight. If gas samples are equal to or less than 10% VOC by weight for 8 consecutive quarterly samplings, sampling frequency shall only be required annually. [District Rule 2201]
5. VOC content of vapor shall be determined by ASTM D1945, ASTM D1946, EPA Method 18 referenced as methane, or equivalent test method with prior District approval. [District Rule 2201]
6. The tank shall be equipped with a vapor recovery system consisting of a closed vent system that collects all VOCs from the storage tank, and a VOC control device. The vapor recovery system shall be APCO-approved and maintained in leak-free condition. The VOC control device shall be either of the following: a vapor return or condensation system that connects to a gas pipeline distribution system, or an approved VOC destruction device that reduces the inlet VOC emissions by at least 95% by weight as determined by the test method specified in Section 6.4.6. [District Rules 2201 and 4623]

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Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director / APCO



DAVID WARNER, Director of Permit Services

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7. Except as otherwise provided in this permit, the operator shall ensure that the vapor recovery system is functional and is operating as designed at all times. [District Rule 2201]
8. All piping, valves, and fittings shall be constructed and maintained in a leak-free condition. [District Rules 2201 and 4623]
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14. All records required to be maintained by this permit shall be maintained for a period of at least five years and shall be made readily available for District inspection upon request. [District Rule 2201]



AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT

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ISSUANCE DATE: 05/15/2012

LEGAL OWNER OR OPERATOR: SENECA WESTERN MINERALS CORP.

MAILING ADDRESS: 2131 MARS CT
BAKERSFIELD, CA 93308

LOCATION: HEAVY OIL WESTERN

EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:

500 BBL WELDED FIXED ROOF SAND DUMP TANK CONNECTED TO THE VAPOR RECOVERY SYSTEM LISTED ON S-3755-20

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