



April 29, 2022

E-mail

Georgia Baxter
President
J.H. Baxter & Co.
P.O. Box 5902
San Mateo, CA 94402

Re: PID Readings and Carbon Adsorber Blower Fan Operation Changes

Dear Georgia Baxter:

LRAPA has received your request, submitted by J.H. Baxter & Co. (JHB) on March 27, 2022, requesting approval to discontinue the photo ionization detector (PID) monitoring on the carbon adsorption unit, as well as the operation of the blower fan to the carbon adsorption unit.

The continuous blower fan on the carbon adsorption unit, required by Condition 4 in the air permit, is not required to be operated so long as the retorts and work tanks identified in Condition 4 are no longer operating. The PID monitoring described in Condition 16 is only required to be performed if the carbon adsorption unit is operating. Therefore, JHB can cease the operation of the carbon adsorption unit and forego the monitoring requirements identified in Condition 16 and your request is hereby approved.

LRAPA staff have inspected the JHB-Eugene facility numerous times since late January of 2022 and has taken PID readings. The monitored inlet concentrations are very low and are approximately equivalent to the measured outlet concentrations, which coincides with the cessation of operation of the retorts and work tanks used for treating wood.

Please do not hesitate to contact Max Hueftle, Operations Manager, at max@lrapa.org or telephone extension 231, if you have any questions or if operations at the facility change.

Sincerely,

Steven A. Dietrich
Director

Cc: Max Hueftle, PE, LRAPA
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