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

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Dear Ms. Jordan:

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Jack P. Broadbent EXECUTIVE OFFICER/APCO The District is reopening the following Major Facility Review permit pursuant to Applications 11697 and 12600:

Facility #	Facility Name	Address, City	Type of Operation
B2626	Valero Refining Co. California	3400 East Second St. Benicia, CA 94510	Petroleum Refinery

This reopening of the Title V permit addresses permit deficiencies identified in EPA's letter of October 8, 2004 and in EPA's order of March 15, 2005. In addition, minor revisions for the following applications are being proposed: Applications 10355, 10665/10692, 11017/11018, 11307, 12578, 12588/12589, 12434/12701, 12659/12478, 12867 and 12575.

The District sent formal notices of reopening pursuant to BAAQMD Regulation 2-6-415 on December 16, 2004 and May 12, 2005. The regulation requires at least 30 days' notice for any reopening. Public notices were published on April 13, 2005 and August 15, 2005. The public notice period for Application 11697 ended on May 24, 2005; the public notice period for Application 12600 ended on September 22, 2005. Comments were received from the facility, EPA, Golden Gate University and Communities for a Better Environment (CBE).

There were two public notices and two separate comment periods because the District initially proceeded with this reopening on two separate tracks. The District proposed to address EPA's October 8, 2004, letter in one reopening ("Revision 2") and to address the March 15, 2005 Order in a second reopening ("Revision 3"). The District is now consolidating the two reopenings and is finalizing Revision 2 and Revision 3 concurrently.

This is your notice that the permit has been proposed to EPA, which will have 45 days to review it. Enclosed for your information are copies of (i)

the proposed permit incorporating the Revision 2 and Revision 3 changes; (ii) the draft permit evaluations/statement of bases for the Revision 2 and Revision 3 changes; and (iii) the draft responses to EPA's comments on Revisions 2 and 3, to Golden Gate University's comments on Revision 3 and to Communities for a Better Environment comments on Revision 3. The responses to the refinery comments will be prepared within two months. (Please also note that an earlier draft of the District's responses to EPA's comments Revision 2 was provided to EPA on May 23, 2006, in connection with the Chevron and ConocoPhilips permits. That draft had not been finalized with respect to two issues that did not concern Chevron and ConocoPhilips. The District is providing a full explanation of its position on those issues in the current draft. The inconsistent language in the earlier draft transmitted on May 23, 2006, should be ignored.)

If you have any questions regarding this project, call Barry Young, Air Quality Engineering Manager, at (415) 749-4721, fax (415) 749-5030.

Sincerely,

Jack P. Broadbent Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer

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