

James Chavez

From: Micah Ali
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2026 11:43 AM
To: Clerk of Board
Subject: Re: Consent Calendar filings for Case No 6297-1

Afternoon:

I thank the gentleman for his remarks; they will be made part of the record as an exhibit. Nevertheless, the item will remain on the consent agenda.

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On Oct 16, 2026, at 7:20 AM, Clerk of Board <Front_PC@aqmd.gov> wrote:

From: Mohan Balagopalan
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2026 12:47 PM
To: Clerk of Board <Front_PC@aqmd.gov>
Subject: Re: Consent Calendar filings for Case No 6297-1

Hi,

I do not agree for this case to be heard on Consent Calendar.

Petitioner has provided in their declarations large amount of source test data and process information (84 pages) and need to come before the Board and provide a brief description of the process, the tests that were conducted on all the air pollution control systems, and the reasons for the failures and the health risks, cancer and chronic health impacts to the community surrounding the facility.

I would like to hear from the Respondent's witness regarding approval of the source tests, potential modification of the Permits to Operate, and the status of the Fenceline Air Monitoring Plan that was submitted on January 30, 2024, and revised on January 3, 2025. I would like to hear from the source test reviewer if they had approved the diversion of the 2,000 cfm from the aeration room to increase the inlet concentrations (see belo (page 4 of the September 11, 2026 report on DB-1, DB-2, DB-3 and Cat Ox).

As in the original approved test protocol for the dry bed scrubber systems, STERIS temporarily diverted

approximately 2,000 CFM of aeration room emissions to the inlet of each of DB-1, DB-2, and DB-3, solely for the purpose of this compliance demonstration. This technique effectively raised the measured inlet concentration to the necessary level during the test.

As I had previously in other cases that I did not agree on Consent Calendar, I had referred to the Bay Area AQMD Hearing Board Rule 14.3 (e) that a Consent item should not include when there are toxic emissions, in this case ethylene oxide with high associated risks to the community. I am not requesting any responses to my issues with e-mails back and forth but hope to hear from the parties during a Non-Consent Hearing.

Thanks.

Mohan Balagopalan

From: Clerk of Board <Front_PC@aqmd.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2026 2:03 PM
Subject: FW: Consent Calendar filings for Case No 6297-1

From: Mary Reichert <mreichert@aqmd.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2026 1:39 PM
To: Clerk of Board <Front_PC@aqmd.gov>
Cc: Malat, Brian <brian.malat@hlc.com>; tom.boer@hlc.com; Linnea Matsch <lmatsch@aqmd.gov>
Subject: Consent Calendar filings for Case No 6297-1

Dear Clerk,

Attached are the documents for consideration of STERIS, Inc.'s Regular Variance Petition, Case No 6297-1, on the consent calendar for November 20, 2026.

Hard copies will be brought to the Clerks' office today.

Thank you,

Mary

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