

BEFORE THE HEARING BOARD OF THE BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER of the BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT) DOCKET NO. 3683
Complainant,) STIPULATED CONDITIONAL ORDER FOR ABATEMENT)
vs.))
BRETT GAYNER, an Individual; and DOES 1 through 25, inclusive,)))
Respondents.)) }

On November 23, 2015, the Air Pollution Control Officer ("APCO") of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District ("District"), Complainant in this matter, filed an accusation against Brett Gayner, an Individual ("Gayner"), and Does 1 through 25, inclusive (collectively referred to as "Respondents") for violation of District Regulation 2, Rule 1 by conducting motor vehicle refinishing operations at 120 Todd Road, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, California, District Site No. 200132 ("Facility") without a District permit to do so ("Accusation"). The APCO sought a conditional order for abatement of this violation, requiring Respondents cease conducting such operations unless and until they come into compliance with District Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 302.

The Clerk of the Hearing Board assigned this matter Docket No. 3683 and set a hearing for January 21, 2016. The Clerk of the Hearing Board provided notice of the hearing on the Accusation in accordance with the requirements of California Health and Safety Code section 40823.

On December 10, 2015, the Hearing Board received Respondent Gayner's Notice of Defense, requesting a hearing on this matter and denying "all parts of the Accusation not expressly admitted."

On January 20, 2016, the APCO lodged with the Clerk the APCO's proposed exhibits, i.e., a copy of Notice of Violation No. A52304 and provisions of the District's rules and regulations.

The Hearing Board conducted a hearing on the Accusation on January 21, 2016. Susan Adams, Assistant Counsel, appeared for the Air Pollution Control Officer. Respondent Gayner appeared for himself.

Both the APCO and Respondent Gayner made an opening statement. Complainant APCO stated it had filed the Accusation in order to obtain a conditional order for abatement of Respondents' continuing motor vehicle refinishing operations at the Facility without the required District permit to operate. The APCO stated the facts that it would prove through testimony and documentary evidence in support of its request; the APCO named the District witnesses and stated it would move entry of the NOV into the record and official notice of the District's rules and regulations as documentary evidence. Next, the APCO stated that the previous day, the parties had spoken and that Respondent Gayner had admitted to operating without a permit and had agreed to the terms for resolving the ongoing violation pursuant to a stipulated conditional order for abatement. The APCO stated that therefore, at this time, Complainant sought issuance of a stipulated conditional order for abatement.

Respondent Gayner spoke. He admitted to having operated the Facility since September 2013 without a required District permit to operate, stated that he agreed with the allegations presented by Complainant, and stated that he had agreed to the terms for a resolution of this matter. He stated further that he had installed a filtration system at the Facility to capture emissions from his refinishing operations, and that the system captured 98% of the operations' emissions. He stated further that he intends to cease operations at the Facility and to relocate the operations to another location in Santa Rosa as of February 1, 2016.

The Complainant stated on the record that it had served the Accusation and its accompanying documents upon Respondents by certified mail and substitute personal service to assure proper service of process, thereby allowing the Hearing Board to issue an order adverse to Respondent's

rights pursuant to Hearing Board Rule 4.4.c, should it desire to do so. Complainant and Hearing Board Member Armento also noted that Respondent Gayner had appeared at the hearing, further permitting issuance of such an order. Respondent Gayner stated that someone other than he had signed the certificate of receipt of the certified mail delivery.

The APCO also requested that the Hearing Board amend the caption in this action to correct the spelling of Respondent Brett Gayner's name from "Brett Gaynor." The APCO stated that Respondent's attorney had confirmed the correct spelling the previous day. Respondent Gayner confirmed at the hearing the correct spelling of his name.

The Chair of the Hearing Board called a hearing recess. During the recess, Respondent Gayner executed a compliance and settlement agreement to resolve the continuing violation. The APCO and Respondent Gayner reached agreement on the terms for a proposed stipulated conditional order for abatement in this matter.

Following the recess, the APCO presented to the Hearing Board the proposed findings and terms of a proposed stipulated conditional order for abatement, as follows:

- 1) Respondents have been properly served;
- 2) Respondent Gayner filed a notice of defense in this action;
- 3) The caption in the action shall be amended to correct the spelling of Respondent Brett Gayner's name from "Brett Gaynor;"
- 4) Respondent Gayner admits to having owned and operated motor vehicle refinishing operations at 120 Todd Road, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, since September 2013;
- 5) Respondent Gayner shall:
 - a. Cease motor vehicle refinishing operations, as those operations are defined in the
 Accusation, at 120 Todd Road, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, as of January 31, 2016;
 - b. Submit to the District a complete application to conduct motor vehicle refinishing operations at that location or any location on or before January 31, 2016; and
 - Not conduct any motor vehicle refinishing operations at any location as of February 1,
 2016 until a valid authority to construct or permit to operate motor vehicle refinishing
 equipment and conduct such operations has been issued to Respondent Gayner for that

particular location.

6) The Hearing Board will continue or schedule another hearing on this matter in approximately 60 days in order to confirm Respondent Gayner's having ceased such operations at the Facility and having submitted a complete application to the District by the deadline.

Following the APCO's recitation of the proposed terms, Respondent Gayner stated on the record his agreement to the terms of proposed stipulated conditional order for abatement. Hearing Board Member Armento asked Respondent Gayner whether he had any problems complying with the terms; he replied that he did not.

The APCO requested that NOV No. A52304, Exhibit C1, be moved into evidence and that the Hearing Board take official notice of provisions of District Regulation 2, Rule 1 and of Regulation 3 applicable to this matter, Exhibits C2 and C3, respectively, and of District Regulation 8, Rule 45, Exhibit C4.

The Hearing Board provided the public with an opportunity to testify at the hearing, as required by the California Health and Safety Code. No members of the public testified.

The Hearing Board closed the hearing. It moved Exhibit C1 into evidence and took official notice of the District's rules and regulations. The Hearing Board approved unanimously the Parties' proposed stipulated conditional order for abatement. The Hearing Board set another hearing for May 5, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. at the District's new offices; both parties agreed to the date and time.

WRITTEN EXPLANATION OF ACTION

Because the Parties have stipulated to the entry of the proposed stipulated conditional order as the Stipulated Conditional Order for Abatement ("Stipulated Conditional Order") in this matter, the Hearing Board is not required to make any factual findings to support the Stipulated Conditional Order under California Health and Safety Code Section 42451(b). However, the Hearing Board must include a written explanation of its action in this Stipulated Conditional Order. To that end, the Hearing Board explains its action as follows.

Respondents were properly served. It is appropriate to amend the caption of this matter to correct the spelling of Respondent Gayner's name at this time, given that Complainant received confirmation of the correct spelling on January 20, 2016 from a representative of Respondent Gayner.

Respondent Gayner has admitted on the record to having owned and conducted motor vehicle refinishing operations at 120 Todd Road, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, since September 2013.

Respondent Gayner has agreed to come into compliance with District regulation 2, Rule 1 by:

- a. Ceasing motor vehicle refinishing operations, as those operations are defined in the
 Accusation, at 120 Todd Road, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, as of January 31, 2016;
- b. Submitting to the District a complete application to conduct motor vehicle refinishing operations at that location or any location on or before January 31, 2016; and
- c. Not conducting any motor vehicle refinishing operations at any location as of February 1, 2016 until a valid authority to construct or permit to operate motor vehicle refinishing equipment and conduct such operations has been issued to Respondent Gayner for that particular location.

The Hearing Board believes that the Parties' agreed course of action is in the public interest and that therefore, the entry of this Stipulated Conditional Order for Abatement is appropriate under the circumstances. Failure to comply with the terms of the Hearing Board's stipulated conditional order for abatement is a violation of a Hearing Board order.

Stipulated Conditional Order for Abatement

Cause being found therefore, pursuant to Sections 42451(b) and 42452 of the California Health and Safety Code, THE HEARING BOARD of the BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT hereby ORDERS:

- 1. That the APCO's and Respondents' request for this Stipulated Conditional Order for Abatement shall be and hereby is GRANTED as follows:
 - a. The caption in the action is amended to correct the spelling of Respondent Brett
 Gayner's name from "Brett Gaynor;"
 - b. Respondent Gayner shall cease motor vehicle refinishing operations, as those operations are defined in the Accusation, at 120 Todd Road, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, as of January 31, 2016:
 - c. Respondent Gayner shall submit to the District a complete application to conduct motor vehicle refinishing operations at that location or any location on or before

January 31, 2016; and

- d. Respondent Gayner shall not conduct any motor vehicle refinishing operations at any location as of February 1, 2016 until a valid authority to construct or permit to operate motor vehicle refinishing equipment and conduct such operations has been issued to Respondent Gayner for that particular location.
- 2. That this matter is continued to Thursday, May 5, 206 at 9:30 a.m. at the District's offices, located at 375 Beale Street, Suite 600, San Francisco, CA 94105; and
- 3. That this Stipulated Conditional Order for Abatement shall become effective as of the date of the hearing.

Moved by: Peter Y. Chiu, M.D., P.E.

Seconded by: Gilbert G. Bendix, P.E.

AYES: Valerie J. Armento, Esq.; Peter Y. Chiu, M.D., P.E.; Gilbert G. Bendix, P.E.; Julio A.

Magalhães, Ph.D.; Terry A. Trumbull, Esq.

NOES: None

Terry A. Trumbull, Esq., Chair

Date

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	STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
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I, Tom Flannigan, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury as follows:			
	That I am a citizen of the United States, over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the		
	above entitled action; that I served a true copy of the attached Stipulated Conditional Order for Abatemen		
	on:		
	Brett Gayner American Truck (120 Todd Road Santa Rosa, Califo		
	by depositing same in the United States certified mail, return receipt requested, on February 11, 2016;		

Susan Adams Bay Area Air Quality Management District 939 Ellis Street, 7th Floor San Francisco, California 94109

by hand-delivery deposit of same in the in-box of the District Counsel's office, on February 11, 2016.

DATED: February 11, 2016

Tom Flannigan Acting Clerk of the Boards