

**VENTURA COUNTY**  
**AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT**  
Memorandum

TO: Standing Committee  
Air Pollution Control Board

DATE: March 14, 2023

FROM: Ali Ghasemi, Air Pollution Control Officer

SUBJECT: Reappointment of APCD Hearing Board Members  
Agenda Item Number 4

The California Health and Safety Code requires that each air district have a hearing board, and that each hearing board consists of five members appointed by the district board. The hearing board must consist of two public members, an attorney, a registered professional engineer, and a medical professional specializing in environmental, community or occupational/toxicologic medicine. Terms of hearing board members are set by statute for three years (Health and Safety Code §40804). The term of the hearing board's public member position expired on January 1, 2022 while the term of the professional engineer member position expired on January 14, 2023.

Currently, Michael David Stubblefield serve as a public member and Kathleen Paulson as professional engineer of the hearing board. Mr. Stubblefield and Ms. Paulson has been on the board since October 2000 and January 2020, respectively. Both have expressed an interest in continuing to serve on the hearing board.

Mr. Stubblefield resides in Oxnard and previously worked for Haynes Publishing as an Automotive Technical author. Mr. Stubblefield is an active member of the Sierra Club and was the Air Quality Chair of the Los Padres Chapter for over 13 years. He is also a member of the Executive Board of the Environmental Coalition of Ventura County. Mr. Stubblefield was a member of APCD's 1990 and 1994 Air Quality Management Plan Task Forces and is currently a member of the APCD's Clean Air Fund Advisory Committee. Mr. Stubblefield has a Bachelor of Arts degree in English Literature and History. Mr. Stubblefield's 2015 Application for Appointment to County Boards, Commissions and Committees is attached.

Ms. Paulson is an engineer and retired project manager for the Naval Facilities Engineering Service Center in Port Hueneme. Ms. Paulson has a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering and a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology; she is a registered professional Engineer in California, and she previously worked for the Naval Facilities Engineering Service Center as a Project Manager, Project Support Engineer, and as a Subject Matter Expert for the NAVFAC Industrial Ventilation Program. Ms. Paulson has served on several technical Committees, including the American Conference of

Governmental Industrial Hygienists - Industrial Ventilation Committee, American Industrial Hygiene Association - Z9 Industrial Ventilation Committee, and American Welding Society - Fumes and Gases Subcommittee. For the last ten years, she has served on the CSUN - Women in Science and Engineering Foundation Board. Ms. Paulson lives in Ventura. She would like to retain membership on the Hearing Board.

The Board's procedural Rules require Board members to be notified of a vacancy on the Hearing Board and requires the Standing Committee to screen candidates for the vacancy and make recommendation for appointment to the Board. The Board must vote on the recommended appointment in open session. If the Board does not approve the recommended candidates, the Standing Committee must meet again to make a new recommendation.

Attachments:

- 1) 2016 Application for Appointment of Michael Stubblefield
- 2) Application for Appointment and Resume of Kathleen Paulson