



## MOJAVE DESERT AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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### PERMIT TO OPERATE

B003665

Operation under this permit must be conducted in compliance with all information included with the initial application, initial permit condition, and conditions contained herein. The equipment must be maintained and kept in good operating condition at all times. This Permit to Operate or copy must be posted on or within 8 meters of equipment. If a copy is posted, the original must be maintained on site, available for inspection at all times.

**EXPIRES LAST DAY OF: JULY 2026**

#### OWNER OF OPERATOR (Co.#9)

Searles Valley Minerals Operations, Inc  
13200 Main Street  
Trona, CA 93562

#### EQUIPMENT LOCATION (Fac.#79)

SVM - Argus Facility  
82090 First Street  
Trona, CA 93562

#### Description:

DRYER SYSTEM, NO. 1 BICARBONATE FLUIDIZED BED consisting of: NOTE: This process and control(s) are an "affected facility" under 40 CFR 60, Subpart OOO and commenced construction, modification, or reconstruction after August 31, 1983, but before April 22, 2008.

#### EQUIPMENT

Capacity	Equipment Description
600	Fan, Dryer Fluidizing
30	Pumps, Calciner Scrubber Water (2-one spare) heated
500	Fan, Calciner
300	Fan, Bircarbonate Dryer ID
15	Elevator, Bicarbonate Recycle
3	Valve, Dryer Recycle Rotary
10	Crusher, Dryer Lump
2	Valve, Dryer Lump Rotary Cyclones, Dryer (2)
6	Valves, Dryer Cyclone Rotary (4@1.5)
0	Scrubber, Bicarbonate Dryer
0	Dryer, Bicarbonate Fluidized Bed - steam
0	Scrubber, Calciner

Fee Schedule: 1 (d)

Rating: 1766 bhp

SIC: 1474

SCC: 30102199

Location/UTM(Km): 465E/3958N

This permit does not authorize the emission of air contaminants in excess of those allowed by law, including Division 26 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California and the Rules and Regulations of the District. This permit cannot be construed as permission to violate existing laws, ordinances, statutes or regulations of this or other governmental agencies. This permit must be renewed by the expiration date above. If billing for renewal fee required by Rule 301(c) is not received by expiration date above, please contact the District.

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By: **COPY**  
**Brad Poiriez**  
Air Pollution Control Officer

Capacity	Equipment Description
30	Filter, Bicarbonate Wet
5	Valve, Calciner Rotary Pump
15	Conveyor, Bicarbonate Collecting
50	Conveyor, Light Ash Transfer No. 1
50	Conveyor, Light Ash Transfer No. 2
0	Pump, Bicarbonate Filter Feed Wet
15	Pump, Condensate
0	Pump, Bicarbonate Slurry Wet
0	Pump, Filtrate Wet
40	Screw, Bicarbonate Dryer Feed
65	Spreader, Bicarbonate Dryer Feed (2@15 and 40 HP)
125	Pumps, Dryer Scrubber Water (2-one spare)

## CONDITIONS:

1.The owner/operator shall operate and maintain this equipment in strict accord to the recommendations of the manufacturer/supplier and/or sound engineering principles.

[District Rule 204]

2.This fluidized bed bicarbonate dryer system (No. 1) shall not be operated unless all conveyors and transfer points are completely covered.

[District Rules 401 and 403; Rules 404 and 405]

3.This bicarbonate fluidized bed dryer system, No. 1, shall not be operated unless vented to all of the following baghouses under their respective valid District permits: Transfer Conveyor No. 1, permit C003668; Transfer Conveyor No. 2, permit C003669; Transfer Conveyor No. 3, permit C003670 and Truck Loadout, permit C003667.

[District Rule 204]

4.This equipment (uncontrolled emission points) shall not discharge into the atmosphere an exhaust stream that exhibits greater than the following opacity:

(a) Crusher - fifteen (15) percent (40 CFR 60.672(b) - Table 3)

(b) Transfer into initial feed hopper - twenty (20) percent (Rule 401)

(c) All other transfer points and fugitive emission points - ten (10) percent (40 CFR 60.672(b) - Table 3).

[District Rule 401; 40 CFR 60.672(b)]

5.If any transfer point on a conveyor belt or any other affected facility is enclosed in a building, then each enclosed affected facility must comply with the opacity limit in condition 4(c) above, or the building enclosing the affected facility or facilities must comply with the following emission limits:

(a) Fugitive emissions from the building openings (except for vents as defined in subsection 60.671) must not exceed seven (7) percent opacity; and

(b) Vents (as defined in subsection 60.671) in the building must meet the applicable stack emission limits and compliance requirements in Table 2 of 40 CFR 60 Subpart OOO.

[40 CFR 60.672(e)]

6.This equipment shall be operated in compliance with 40 CFR 60 Subpart OOO - Standard of Performance for Nonmetallic Mineral Processing Plants.

[40 CFR 60, Subparts A and OOO]