# BEFORE THE DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS BUREAU OF AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

HOOVERS AUTO REPAIR & SMOG GLENN CLARK HOOVER, Owner

125 Spring Hill Drive, #3 Grass Valley, CA 95945

Automotive Repair Dealer Reg. No. ARD 271741 Smog Check Station License No. RC 271741

and

GLENN CLARK HOOVER

7460 White Fir Lane Smartsville, CA 95977

Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 35212 Smog Check Repair Technician License No. EI 35212 (formerly Advanced Emission Specialist Technician License No. EA 35212)

Respondents.

Case No. 77/16-19319

# **DECISION**

The attached Stipulated Revocation of License and Order is hereby accepted and adopted as the Decision of the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs in the above-entitled matter.

This Decision shall become effective Ebruary 14, 2018.

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DATED: 1/4/18

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IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the aboveentitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

PARTIES

1. Patrick Dorais (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair

- 1. Patrick Dorais (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair (Bureau). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this matter by Xavier Becerra, Attorney General of the State of California, by Andrew M. Steinheimer, Deputy Attorney General.
- 2. Glenn Clark Hoover, individually and doing business as Hoovers Auto Repair & Smog (Respondent) is representing himself in this proceeding and has chosen not to exercise his right to be represented by counsel.
- 3. On or about February 13, 2013, the Director of Consumer Affairs ("Director") issued Automotive Repair Dealer Registration (Registration) number ARD 271741 to Respondent. The Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein. The Registration expired on February 29, 2016, and has not been renewed.
- 4. On or about April 3, 2014, the Director issued Smog Check Station License number RC 271741 to Respondent. The license expired on February 29, 2016, and has not been renewed.
- 5. In or around 1998, the Director issued Advanced Emission Specialist Technician License number EA 35212 to Respondent. The license was due to expire on December 31, 2013. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.28, subdivision (e), the license was renewed, pursuant to Respondent's election, as Smog Check Inspector License number EO 35212 and Smog Check Repair Technician License number EI 35212 ("Technician Licenses"), effective November 21, 2013. Respondent's Technician Licenses expired on December 31, 2015, and have not been renewed

#### **JURISDICTION**

6. Accusation No. 77/16-19319 was filed before the Director of Consumer Affairs, for the Bureau of Automotive Repair, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on October 11,

2017. Respondent timely filed its Notice of Defense indicating he wanted to surrender his license. A copy of Accusation No. 77/16-19319 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

## **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

- Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in
   Accusation No. 77/16-19319. Respondent also has carefully read, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order.
- 8. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 9. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

## **CULPABILITY**

- 10. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. 77/16-19319, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby stipulates to the revocation of Automotive Repair Dealer Registration number ARD 271741, Smog Check Station License number RC 271741, Smog Check Inspector License number EO 35212 and Smog Check Repair Technician License number EI 35212.
- 11. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation he enables the Director to issue his order accepting the revocation of his Auto Repair Dealer Registration, Smog Check Station License, Smog Check Inspector License and Smog Check Repair Technician License without further process.

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# **CONTINGENCY**

- Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Bureau of Automotive Repair may communicate directly with the Director and staff regarding this stipulation and revocation, without notice to or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Director considers and acts upon it. If the Director fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision and Order, the Stipulated Revocation and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Director shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 13. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order, including Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 14. This Stipulated Revocation of License and Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Revocation of License and Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.
- 15. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Director may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Automotive Repair Dealer Registration number ARD 271741, Smog Check Station License number RC 271741, Smog Check Inspector License number EO 35212 and Smog Check Repair Technician License number EI 35212 issued to Respondent GLENN CLARK HOOVER, individually and as sole owner of HOOVERS AUTO

# REPAIR & SMOG, are revoked.

- 1. The revocation of the Auto Repair Dealer Registration, Smog Check Station License, Smog Check Inspector License and Smog Check Repair Technician License shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Bureau of Automotive Repair.
- 2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as an Auto Repair Dealer, Smog Check Station, Smog Check Inspector and Smog Check Repair Technician in California as of the effective date of the Director's Decision and Order.
- 3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Bureau his pocket licenses and registrations, if any, and, if one was issued, his wall certificates on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 4. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Bureau shall treat it as a new application for licensure. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for licensure in effect at the time the application or petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 77/16-19319 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Director determines whether to grant or deny the application.
- 5. Respondent shall pay the agency its costs of investigation and enforcement in the amount of \$4,498.63 prior to issuance of a new or reinstated license.

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# Exhibit A

**Accusation No. 77/16-19319** 

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	( HOOVERS AUTO REPAIR & SMOG; GLENN CLARK HOOVER, SOLE OWNER) ACCUSATION		

Patrick Dorais ("Complainant") alleges:

## **PARTIES**

1. Complainant brings this Accusation solely in his official capacity as the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair ("Bureau"), Department of Consumer Affairs.

# **Automotive Repair Dealer Registration**

2. On or about February 13, 2013, the Director of Consumer Affairs ("Director") issued Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Number ("Registration") ARD 271741 to Glenn Clark Hoover ("Respondent") owner of Hoovers Auto Repair & Smog. The Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein. The license expired on February 29, 2016, and has not been renewed.

# **Smog Check Station License**

3. On or about April 3, 2014, the Director issued Smog Check Station License Number RC 271741 to Respondent. The license expired on February 29, 2016, and has not been renewed.

# Smog Check Inspector/Smog Check Repair Technician License

4. In and around 1998, the Director issued Advanced Emission Specialist Technician License Number EA 35212 to Respondent. The license was due to expire on December 31, 2013. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.28, subdivision (e), the license was renewed, pursuant to Respondent's election, as Smog Check Inspector License number EO 35212 and Smog Check Repair Technician License number EI 35212 ("Technician Licenses"), effective November 21, 2013<sup>1</sup>. Respondent's technician licenses expired on December 31, 2015, and have not been renewed.

### **JURISDICTION**

5. Business and Professions Code ("Bus. & Prof. Code") section 9884.7 provides that the Director may revoke an automotive repair dealer registration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Effective August 1, 2012, California Code of Regulations, title 16, sections 3340.28, 3340.29, and 3340.30 were amended to implement a license restructure from the Advanced Emission Specialist Technician (EA) license and Base Area (EB) Technician license to Smog Check Inspector (EO) license and/or Smog Check Repair Technician (EI) license.

- 6. Bus. & Prof. Code section 9884.7, subdivision (c), states, in pertinent part, that the Director may suspend, revoke, or place on probation the registration for all places of business operated in this state by an automotive repair dealer upon a finding that the automotive repair dealer has, or is, engaged in a course of repeated and willful violations of the laws and regulations pertaining to an automotive repair dealer.
- 7. Bus. & Prof. Code section 9884.13 provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a valid registration shall not deprive the director or chief of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against an automotive repair dealer or to render a decision invalidating a registration temporarily or permanently.
  - 8. Bus. & Prof. Code section 22, subdivision (a), states:

"Board" as used in any provision of this Code, refers to the board in which the administration of the provision is vested, and unless otherwise expressly provided, shall include "bureau," "commission," "committee," "department," "division," "examining committee," "program," and "agency."

- 9. Health and Safety ("Health & Saf. Code") section 44002 provides, in pertinent part, that the Director has all the powers and authority granted under the Automotive Repair Act for enforcing the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program.
  - 10. Health & Saf. Code section 44072.2 states, in pertinent part:

The director may suspend, revoke, or take other disciplinary action against a license as provided in this article if the licensee, or any partner, officer, or director thereof, does any of the following:

- (b) Is convicted of any crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the license holder in question.
- 11. Health & Saf. Code section 44072.6 provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration or suspension of a license by operation of law, or by order or decision of the Director of Consumer Affairs, or a court of law, or the voluntary surrender of the license shall not deprive the Director of jurisdiction to proceed with disciplinary action.

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12. Health & Saf. Code section 44072.8 states that when a license has been revoked or suspended following a hearing under this article, any additional license issued under this chapter in the name of the licensee may be likewise revoked or suspended by the director.

## **STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

13. Bus. & Prof. Code section 490, subdivision (a), states:

In addition to any other action that a board is permitted to take against a licensee, a board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime, if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the license was issued.

14. Bus. & Prof. Code section 477, subdivision (b) states, in pertinent part, that a "license" includes "registration" and "certificate."

## **COST RECOVERY**

15. Bus. & Prof. Code section 125.3 provides, in pertinent part, that a Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

## FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

### (Conviction of a Crime)

16. Respondent's Registration is subject to disciplinary action under Bus. & Prof. Code section 490, subdivision (a), in that on or about September 2, 2016, in the criminal proceeding entitled *People v. Glenn Hoover* (Nevada County Super. Ct., Case No. F16-0073), the court convicted Respondent in his plea of nolo contendere to violating Health and Safety Code section 11379.6, subdivision (a) (manufacturing of a controlled substance), a felony, a crime substantially related to the qualifications, duties and functions of an automotive repair dealer. The imposition of Respondent's sentence was suspended and was placed on three (3) years formal probation and 180 days of jail or 270 days of alternative sentencing. The circumstances of the crime are as follows: On or about January 7, 2016, Grass Valley Police Department (GVPD) officers responded to a report of a structure fire. An explosion had occurred inside Respondent's facility, Hoovers Auto Repair and Smog, caused by a water heater and refrigerator that had

exploded. The Nevada County Fire Department and GVPD officers observed butane canisters strewn around the refrigerator and tubs containing marijuana remnants. The Nevada County Fire Department determined that the explosion was caused by a butane honey oil lab within the facility.

## SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

## (Conviction of a Crime)

17. Respondent's Smog Check Station License and Technician Licenses are subject to disciplinary action under Health & Saf. Code section 44072.2, subdivision (b), in that Respondent was convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, duties and functions of an automotive repair dealer, as more particularly set forth above in paragraph 16.

## OTHER MATTERS

- 18. Pursuant to Bus. & Prof. Code section 9884.7, subdivision (c), the Director may suspend, revoke or place on probation the registration for all places of business operated in this state by Respondent Glenn Clark Hoover, owner of Hoovers Auto Repair & Smog, upon a finding that Respondent has, or is, engaged in a course of repeated and willful violations of the laws and regulations pertaining to an automotive repair dealer.
- 19. Pursuant to Health & Saf. Code section 44072.8, if Respondent's station license is revoked or suspended, any additional license issued under Chapter 5 of Part 5 of Division 26 of the Health and Safety Code in the name of said licensee may be likewise revoked or suspended by the Director.
- 20. Pursuant to Health & Saf. Code section 44072.8, if Respondent's technician licenses are revoked or suspended, any additional license issued under this Chapter 5 of Part 5 of Division 26 of the Health and Safety code in the name of said licensee may be likewise revoked or suspended by the director.

#### PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Director issue a decision:

1. Revoking or suspending Automotive Repair Dealer Number ARD 271741, issued to