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8	DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER A FOR THE BUREAU OF AUTOMOTI	VE REPAIR
9	STATE OF CALIFORNIA	<b>\</b>
10	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case Number: 79/17-1198
11	CHEVREM CORPORATION	ACCUSATION
12	d.b.a WALNUT CREEK STAR SMOG FATIH TEKIN, PRESIDENT/SECRETARY/	
13	TREASURER 690 Ygnacio Road #3	
14	Walnut Creek, CA 94596	
15	Automotive Repair Dealer No. ARD 221700 Smog Check, Test Only, License No. TC 221700	
16 17	FATIH TEKIN 5200 Telegraph Avenue	
18	Oakland, CA 94609	
19	Mailing address: 121 Diamond Court Hercules, CA 94547	
20	Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 26524	*
21	ALI NADIR GUNGOR	* '11
22	10439 San Pablo Avenue, Unit A El Cerrito, CA 94530	34
23	Mailing address:	
24	1921 Delaware Street, Apt. 5 Berkeley, CA 94709	
25	Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 634506	
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#### **Smog Check Inspector Licenses**

- 5. In 2003, the Bureau issued Advanced Emission Specialist Technician Licensee Number EA 26524 to Fatih Tekin (Respondent Tekin). The Advanced Emission Specialist Technician License expired on January 30, 2014. 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 26524, effective January 30, 2014. The Smog Check Inspector License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on January 31, 2020, unless renewed.
- 6. On or about July 18, 2012, the Bureau issued Advanced Emission Specialiste
  Technician License Number EA 634506 to Ali Nadir Gungor (Respondent Gungor). The
  Advanced Emission Specialist Technician License was cancelled on April 16, 2014. 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
  634506, effective April 16, 2014. The Smog Check Inspector License was in full force and effect
  at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on July 31, 2020, unless
  renewed.
- 7.e On or about March 29, 2013, the Bureau issued Advanced Emission Specialiste
  Technician License Number EA 635356 to Ersin Iric (Respondent Iric). The Advanced Emission
  Specialist Technician License was cancelled on November 10, 2014. 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 635356, effective
  November 10, 2014. The Smog Check Inspector License was in full force and effect at all times
  relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on October 31, 2020, unless renewed.
  - 8. "Respondents" shall refer to Respondents Gungor and Iric collectively.

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

## **JURISDICTION**

- 9.e This Accusation is brought before the Director of the Department of Consumere
  Affairs (Director) for the Bureau of Automotive Repair, under the authority of the following laws.
- 10. Business and Professions Code (Code) section 118, subdivision(b) states that "the suspension, expiration, or forfeiture by operation of law of a license issued by a board in the department, or its suspension, forfeiture, or cancellation by order of the board or by order of a court of law, or its surrender without the written consent of the board, shall not, during any period in which it may be renewed, restored, reissued, or reinstated, deprive the board of its authority to institute or continue a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee upon any ground provided by law or to enter an order suspending or revoking the license or otherwise taking disciplinary action against the licensee on any such ground."
- 11.e Code section 9884.13 provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a valide 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.

## STATUTORY AND REGULATORY PROVISIONS

- 12.e Section 9884.7 of the Code states, in pertinent part:e
- (a)eThe director, where the automotive repair dealer cannot show there was a bona fidee error, may deny, suspend, revoke, or place on probation the registration of an automotive repair dealer for any of the following acts or omissions related to the conduct of the business of the automotive repair dealer, which are done by the automotive repair dealer or any automotive technician, employee, partner, officer, or member of the automotive repair dealer.
- (1) Making or authorizing in any manner or by any means whatever any statement written or oral which is untrue or misleading, and which is known, or which by the exercise of reasonable care should be known, to be untrue or misleading.
  - (4)eAny other conduct that constitutes fraud.e

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	(6) e Failure	in any	material	respect	to com	ply wit	h the p	rovision	s of this	chapter	or
regula	ations adopte	ed purs	uant to it	t <b>.</b>							

(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), the director may suspend, revoke, or place one 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 this chapter, or regulations adopted pursuant to it.

13.e Section **44002** of the Health and Safety Code provides, in pertinent part, that thee Director has all the powers and authority granted under the Automotive Repair Act for enforcing the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program.

14.e Section 44012 of the Health and Safety Code, in pertinent part, states:e

"The test at the smog check stations shall be performed in accordance with procedures
prescribed by the department, pursuant to Section 44013, shall require, at a minimum, loaded
mode dynamometer testing in enhanced areas, and two-speed testing in all other program areas,
and shall ensure all of the following:

"(f) A visual or functional check is made of emission control devices specified by the department, including the catalytic converter in those instances in which the department determines it to be necessary to meet the findings of Section 44001. The visual or functional check shall be performed in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.

15.e Section **44015** of the Health and Safety Code, subdivision (b) provides that if ae vehicle meets the requirements of Section 44012, a smog check station licensed to issue certificates shall issue a certificate of compliance or a certificate of noncompliance.

16.e Section **44032** of the Health and Safety Code, provides that no person shall perform,e for compensation, tests or repairs of emission control devices or systems of motor vehicles required by this chapter unless the person performing the test or repair is a qualified smog check technician and the test or repair is performed at a licensed smog check station. Qualified

technicians shall perform tests of emission control devices and systems in accordance with Section 44012.

17.e Section 44059 of the Health and Safety Code states, in pertinent part:e

"The willful making of any false statement or entry with regard to a material matter in any oath, affidavit, certificate of compliance or noncompliance, or application form which is required by this chapter or Chapter 20.3 (commencing with Section 9880) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, constitutes perjury and is punishable as provided in the Penal Code."

18.e Section 44072.2 of the Health and Safety Code states, in pertinent part:e

"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:

- "(a) Violates any section of this chapter [the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program (Health and Saf. Code, § 44000, et seq.)] and the regulations adopted pursuant to it, which related to the licensed activities.
  - "(c) Violates any of the regulations adopted by the director pursuant to this chapter.
  - "(d) Commits any act involving dishonesty, fraud, or deceit whereby another is injured.
- "(h) Violates or attempts to violate the provisions of this chapter relating to the particular activity for which he or she is licensed."
- 19.e Section **44072.6** of the Health and Safety Code provides, in pertinent part, that thee 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.
  - 20.e Section 44072.8 of the Health and Safety Code states:e

"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."

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- 21.e Section 44072.10, subdivision (c) of the Health and Safety Code states:e
- "(c) The department shall revoke the license of any smog check technician or station licensee who fraudulently certifies vehicles or participates in the fraudulent inspection of vehicles. A fraudulent inspection includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:
  - (1) Clean piping, as defined by the department. . . "e
  - 22.e California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.24, subdivision (c) states:e
- "(c) The bureau may suspend or revoke the license of or pursue other legal action against a licensee, if the licensee falsely or fraudulently issues or obtains a certificate of compliance or a certificate of noncompliance."
- 23.e California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.30, subdivision (a) states:e "A licensed smog check inspector and/or repair technician shall comply with the following requirements at all times while licensed:
- "(a) Inspect, test and repair vehicles, as applicable, in accordance with section 44012 of the Health and Safety Code, section 44035 of the Health and Safety Code, and section 3340.42 of this article."
  - 24.e California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.35, subdivision (c) states:e
- "(c) A licensed station shall issue a certificate of compliance or noncompliance to the owner or operator of any vehicle that has been inspected in accordance with the procedures specified in section 3340.42 of this article and has all the required emission control equipment and devices installed and functioning correctly. The following conditions shall apply:
- "(1) Customers shall be charged the same price for certificates as that paid by the licensed station; and
  - "(2) Sales tax shall not be assessed on the price of certificates.
  - 25.e California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.41, subdivision (c) states:e
- "(c) No person shall enter into the emissions inspection system any vehicle identification information or emission control system identification data for any vehicle other than the one

being tested. Nor shall any person knowingly enter into the emissions inspection system any false information about the vehicle being tested."

26.e California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.42, subdivision (b)(2), states,e in pertinent part that "Smog check inspection methods are prescribed in the Smog Check Manual, referenced by section 3340.45."

(b) In addition to subsection (a), all vehicles subject to the smog check program shalle receive the following:

- (1)eA visual inspection of emission control components and systems to verify the vehicle'se emission control systems are properly installed.
- (2)eA functional inspection of emission control systems as specified in the Smog Checke Manual, referenced by section 3340.45, which may include an OBD test, to verify their proper operation.
  - 27.e California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.45, states:e
- (a)eAll Smog Check inspections shall be performed in accordance with requirements ande procedures prescribed in the following:
- (1)eSmog Check Inspection Procedures Manual, dated August 2009, which is herebye incorporated by reference. This manual shall be in effect until subparagraph (2) is implemented.
- (2)eSmog Check Manual, dated 2013, which is hereby incorporated by reference. Thise manual shall become effective on or after January 1, 2013.
  - 28.e California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373 states:e

"No automotive repair dealer or individual in charge shall, in filling out an estimate, invoice, or work order, or record required to be maintained by section 3340.15(e) of this chapter, withhold thereform or insert therein any statement or information which will cause any such document to be false or misleading, or where the tendency or effect thereby would be to mislead or deceive customers, prospective customers, or the public."

### COSTS

29.e Section **125.3** of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request thee 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, with failure of the licentiate to comply subjecting the license to not being renewed or reinstated. If a case settles, recovery of investigation and enforcement costs may be included in a stipulated settlement.

#### **FACTUAL SUMMARY**

30.e California's Smog Check Program requires the owners of most motor vehicles ine California to take and pass a Smog Check inspection and receive a Certificate of Compliance every two years when renewing their registration and also when the vehicle's title is transferred. These inspections are performed by Smog Check inspectors at Smog Check Stations, both of which are licensed by the Bureau.

31.e The Smog Check inspection in certain Enhanced areas of the state is an Acceleratione Simulation Mode (ASM) test performed using an Emission Inspection System (EIS), also known as a BAR 97. This is a computer based five-gas analyzer that measures hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, oxides of nitrogen, carbon dioxide, and oxygen. The inspection involves a test of the vehicle's tailpipe emissions on a dynamometer. In Basic areas of the state, or depending on a vehicle's configuration (all-wheel drive, traction control issue), a similar test called a Two Speed Idle (TSI) test is performed, but instead of applying a load to the vehicle's drive wheels with a dynamometer, the EIS measures the emissions at idle as well as 2500 revolutions per minute (RPM).

32.e The inspector also performs visual and functional tests on the vehicle as outlined ine the Smog Check Manual. The visual inspection of the emission control components verifies the required emission control devices are present and properly connected. Functional tests are also performed which, depending on the vehicle, may include checking the ignition timing, malfunction indicator light (MIL), Exhaust Gas Recirculation (EGR) system, a low pressure test of the evaporative emissions controls (LPFET), a visible smoke test, and a pressure test of the gas cap.

33.e On March 9, 2015, the Bureau implemented a statewide regulatory change requiringe the use of the On Board Diagnostic Inspection System (BAR-OIS) instead of the Emission

Inspection System (EIS) for the smog testing of 2000 model year and newer gas powered and 1998 and newer diesel vehicles. Most older vehicles require the ASM or TSI test on the EIS.

34.e The new BAR-OIS smog inspection uses a Data Acquisition Device (DAD), ae computer, a bar code scanner, and printer. The DAD is a scan tool that retrieves data from a vehicle's On Board Diagnostic-generation II (OBD II) computer. The DAD connects the BAR OIS computer to the vehicle's diagnostic link connector (DLC) to retrieve the data from the vehicle. The bar code scanner is used to input technician information, the vehicle identification number (VIN), and DMV renewal information. The printer is used to print Vehicle Inspectione Reports.

35.e Data retrieved and recorded during a BAR-OIS smog check includes: the eVIN,e which is the digitally stored VIN programmed into the vehicle's Powertrain Control Module (PCM); the communication protocol, which is the manufacturer/vehicle's specific "language" the PCM uses to relay information; and the number of Parameter Identifications (PIDs), which is the number of specific data values each PCM uses related to emissions controls.

36.e As part of the BAR-OIS smog inspections, the technician also performs a visual ande functional test on the vehicle being inspected. The visual inspection of the emission control components verifies the required emission control devices are present and properly connected and a functional test is performed of the malfunction indicator light (MIL). The BAR-OIS software makes the determination whether or not the vehicle passes the inspection based on the results of the OBD, visual and functional tests. If the vehicle passes the inspection a certificate of compliance is issued. The information from the smog inspection is then transmitted to the Vehicle Information Data (VID).

37.e The Bureau can access the VID to view test data on smog check inspectionse performed at any Smog Check Station, or search for, retrieve, and print a test record for a particular vehicle which has been tested.

38.e The Bureau has become aware of methods some Smog Check stations and Smoge Check inspectors use to fraudulently issue smog certificates to vehicles that will not pass a Smog

Check test on their own, or in some instances, are not even present during the time the test is performed.

39.e One method is known as "clean plugging." Clean plugging is the act of using onee vehicle's properly functioning OBDII system, or another source, to generate passing data readings or diagnostic information for the purpose or fraudulently issue a smog certificate of compliance to a vehicle that is not in smog compliance and/or not present for testing. The vehicle being tested is not the one being issued the certificate of compliance.e

40. The Bureau initiated an investigation of Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog.e Beginning on or about November 26, 2014 and continuing until about September 24, 2015 Respondents<sup>2</sup> were found to have performed four fraudulent smog inspections using clean-plugging methods. Clean-plugging is the practice of testing one OBD II system (a system that would pass the smog inspection), for the purpose of fraudulently issuing a smog certificate of compliance to another vehicle that would not pass the smog inspection and/or is not present for testing. The vehicle receiving the certificate of compliance is not actually tested during the smog inspection.

41.e A Bureau representative reviewed data for four clean plugged vehicles inspected by Respondents Gungor and Iric and certified by Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog. The data revealed that the four vehicles that were purportedly tested by Respondents were not and could not have been connected to the DAD when they were being certified because the OBD-II data purportedly transmitted by those vehicles could not have been transmitted by those vehicles.

42.e Respondents clean plugged and issued fraudulent certificates of compliance to thee following four vehicles:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Respondents Gungor and Iric performed the smog tests on behalf of Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog.

Clean Plug# 1 - 2007 Toyota Camry CE/LE/XLE/SE, VIN: 4T1BE46K67U643879,e a)e CA license number 5YLS675, performed by Respondent Gungor on November 26, 2014:

Certificate # PM642507C	eVIN	Protocol	PID count
Fraudulent Passing Inspection (11/26/2014)	JTMBK31V775026395	ICAN11bt5	46
Expected OBDII Value	4T1BE46K67U643879	ICAN11bt5	39

Clean Plug #2 - 2005 Toyota 4Runner LTD, VIN:JTEBU17R558030168, CAe b)e license number 6GTC785, performed by Respondent Iric on December 3, 2014:

Certificate # YL916852C	eVIN	Protocol	PID count
Fraudulent Passing Inspection (12/03/2014)	5TEMU52N98Z568271	ICAN11bt5	46
Expected OBDII Value	JTEBU17R558030168	ICAN11bt5	44

c) Clean Plug #3 – 2001 Toyota Tundra/SR5, VIN: 5TBRT341X1S168559, CAe license number 6N22916, performed by Respondent Iric on January 18, 2015:

Certificate # PO368351C	eVIN	Protocol	PID count
Fraudulent Passing Inspection (01/18/2015)	5TDZA22C74S042322	1914	21
Expected OBDII Value	Not Reported	I914	20

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Clean Plug #4 - 2009 Volkswagen Jetta TDI, VIN: 3VWRL71K49M039379, CAe d) license number 6FVX261, performed by Respondent Gungor on September 24, 2015:

Certificate # PW705023C	eVIN	Protocol	PID count
Fraudulent Passing Inspection (09/24/2015)	Not Reported	KWPS	9
Expected OBDII Value	3VWRL71K49M039379	ICAN11bt5	31, 31/12, 31/12/15, 31/14 or 31/9

# FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Misleading Statements - Registration)

43.e. Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog has subjected its registration to discipline undere Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), in that it made statements which it knew or which by exercise of reasonable care it should have known were untrue or misleading, as set forth above in paragraphs 40-42, above. Respondents fraudulently purported to test the four vehicles, and certified that the four vehicles passed inspection and were in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. In fact, Respondents conducted the inspections on those vehicles using cleanplugging methods.

## SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Fraud - Registration)

44. Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog has subjected its registration to discipline undere Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), in that it committed acts which constitute fraud, as set forth above in paragraphs 40-42, above.

## THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Failure to Comply with the Provisions of the Automotive Repair Act)

45.e Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog has subjected its registration to discipline undere Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(6), in that it failed in a material respect to comply with the provisions of this chapter or regulations adopted, as set forth above in paragraphs 40-42, above.

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#### FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Violation of the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program - Smog Check Station License)

46.e Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog has subjected its station license to disciplinee under Health and Safety Code sections 44072.10 and 44072.2, subdivisions (a) and (c), in that it violated sections of that Code and applicable regulations, as set forth above in paragraphs 40-42, as follows:

- a. **Section 44012**: Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog failed to ensure that thee emission control tests were performed on those vehicles in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.
- b. **Section 44012, subdivision (f)**: Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog failed toe perform a visual or functional check of emission control devices on those vehicles in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.
- c. Section 44015, subdivision (b): Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog issuede electronic smog certificates of compliance but failed to ensure that the vehicles were properly tested and inspected to determine if the emission control tests performed on those vehicles in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.
- d.e Section 44059: Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog willfully made false entries fore the electronic certificates of compliance by certifying that those vehicles had been inspected as required when, in fact, they had not.
- e. Section 3340.35, subdivision (c): Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog failed toe ensure that the emission control tests were performed on those vehicles in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.
- f. Section 3340.42, subdivision (b)(2): Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog failed toe conduct a functional inspection of emission control systems for vehicles as specified in the Smog Check Manual, referenced by California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.45.
- g. Section 3340.45, subdivision (a)(2): Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog failed toe conduct the required smog tests and inspections on those vehicles in accordance with the Bureau's specifications.

h.e Section 3373: Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog created a false or misleadinge work order by issuing the fraudulent certificates of compliance for the four vehicles.

### FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISICPLINE

(Dishonesty, Fraud or Deceit - Smog Check Station License)

47.e Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog subjected its station license to discipline undere Health and Safety Code sections 44072.10 and 44072.2, subdivision (d), in that it committed acts involving dishonesty, fraud or deceit, whereby another was injured by issuing electronic certificates of compliance for vehicles without performing bona fide inspections of the emission control devices and systems on the vehicles, thereby depriving the People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program, as set forth above in paragraphs 40-42, above.

#### SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Violations of the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program: Smog Check Inspector License - Gungor)

- 48.e Respondent Gungor has subjected his Smog Check Inspector license to disciplinee under Health and Safety Code sections 44072.10 and 44072.2, subdivisions (a) and (c), in that he violated sections of that Code and applicable regulations, as set forth above in paragraphs 40-42, as follows:
- a.e **Section 44012**: Respondent Gungor failed to ensure that the emission control testse were performed on those vehicles in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.
- b. Section 44012, subdivision (f): Respondent Gungor failed to perform a visual ore functional check of emission control devices on those vehicles in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.
- c. **Section 44032**: Respondent Gungor failed to perform tests of emission controle devices and systems on those vehicles in accordance with Section 44012.
- d. **Section 44059**: Respondent Gungor willfully made false entries for the electronice certificates of compliance by certifying that those vehicles had been inspected as required when, in fact, they had not.

e. Section 3340.30, subdivision (a): Respondent Gungor failed to inspect and test those vehicles in accordance with Health and Safety Code section 44012 and California code of Regulations title 16, section 3340.42.

f.e Section 3340.41, subdivision (c): Respondent Gungor entered vehicle identificatione information for a vehicle other than the one being tested into the emissions inspection system.

Respondent Gungor knowingly entered false information about the vehicle being tested into the emissions inspection system.

g.e Section 3340.42, subdivision (b)(2): Respondent Gungor failed to conduct ae functional inspection of emission control systems for vehicles as specified in the Smog Check Manual, referenced by California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.45.

h. Section 3340.45, subdivision (a)(2): Respondent Gungor failed to perform smoge check inspections in accordance with requirements and procedures prescribed in the Smog Check Inspection Manual.

# SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Dishonesty, Fraud or Deceit – Smog Check Inspector License)

49.e Respondent Gungor subjected his Smog Check Inspector License to discipline undere Health and Safety Code sections 44072.10 and 44072.2, subdivision (d), in that he committed acts involving dishonesty, fraud or deceit, whereby another was injured by issuing electronic certificates of compliance for vehicles without performing bona fide inspections of the emission control devices and systems on the vehicles, thereby depriving the People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program, as set forth above in paragraphs 40-42.

#### EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

# (Violations of the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program: Smog Check Inspector License - Iric)

50.e Respondent Iric has subjected his Smog Check Inspector license to discipline undere Health and Safety Code sections 44072.10 and 44072.2, subdivisions (a) and (c), in that he violated sections of that Code and applicable regulations, as set forth above in paragraphs 40-42, as follows:

	a.e	Section	44012:	Respondent Ir	ic failed to	ensure	that the	emission	control	tests	weree
perfor	med (	on those	vehicles	in accordance	with proc	edures j	prescribe	d by the	departm	ent.	

- b.e **Section 44012, subdivision (f)**: Respondent Iric failed to perform a visual ore functional check of emission control devices on those vehicles in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.
- c. **Section 44032**: Respondent Iric failed to perform tests of emission control devicese and systems on those vehicles in accordance with Section 44012.
- d. Section 44059: Respondent Iric willfully made false entries for the electronice certificates of compliance by certifying that those vehicles had been inspected as required when, in fact, they had not.
- e. **Section 3340.30, subdivision (a)**: Respondent Iric failed to inspect and test thosee vehicles in accordance with Health and Safety Code section 44012 and California code of Regulations title 16, section 3340.42.
- f.e Section 3340.41, subdivision (c): Respondent Iric entered vehicle identificatione information for a vehicle other than the one being tested into the emissions inspection system. Respondent Iric knowingly entered false information about the vehicle being tested into the emissions inspection system.
- g. Section 3340.42, subdivision (b)(2): Respondent Iric failed to conduct a functional inspection of emission control systems for vehicles as specified in the Smog Check Manual, referenced by California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.45.
- h. Section 3340.45, subdivision (a)(2): Respondent Iric failed to perform smog checke inspections in accordance with requirements and procedures prescribed in the Smog Check Inspection Manual.

# NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Dishonesty, Fraud or Deceit – Smog Check Inspector License)

51.e Respondent Iric subjected his Smog Check Inspector License to discipline undere Health and Safety Code sections 44072.10 and 44072.2, subdivision (d), in that he committed acts involving dishonesty, fraud or deceit, whereby another was injured by issuing electronic

certificates of compliance for vehicles without performing bona fide inspections of the emission control devices and systems on the vehicles, thereby depriving the People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program, as set forth above in paragraphs 40-42.

### OTHER MATTERS

52.0 Pursuant to Code section 9884.7, subdivision (c), the Director may suspend, revoke,o or place on probation the registration for all places of business operated in this state by Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog, upon a finding that Respondent Walnut Creek Star Smog has, or is, engaged in a course of repeated and willful violations of the laws and regulations pertaining to an automotive repair dealer.

53.0 Pursuant to Health & Safety Code section 44072.8, if Respondent Walnut Creek Staro Smog'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.

54.0 Pursuant to Health & Safety Code section 44072.8, if Respondent Gungor's Smogo Check Inspector 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.

55.0 Pursuant to Health & Safety Code section 44072.8, if Respondent Iric's Smog Checko Inspector 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.

#### **DISCIPLINE CONSIDERATIONS**

56.0 To determine the degree of discipline, if any, to be imposed on Walnut Creek Staro Smog, Complainant alleges that on or about June 27, 2003, in a prior action, an accusation was filed on Gurnur International Corporation and its President, Fatih Tekin, d.b.a. GIC Smog Station for causing the issuance of 13 fraudulent Smog Check Inspection Certificates of Compliance to be issued. The business name for GIC Smog Station was changed to Walnut Creek Star Smog and

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ownership of the facility is under Chevrem Corporation with Fatih Tekin as President. On December 6, 2004, the Department of Consumer Affairs adopted a decision in the matter of Accusation 79/04-00 which revoked GIC Smog Station's Smog Check Station licenses and Automotive Repair Dealer registrations. However, the revocations were stayed and the stations were placed on three years probation.

57.0 To determine the degree of discipline, if any, to be imposed on Walnut Creek Staro Smog, Complainant alleges that on or about September 15, 2008, in a prior action, an accusation was filed on Chevrem Corporation and its President, Fatih Tekin, d.b.a. Clear Blue Test Only Smog Station, Clear Blue Test Only Smog Station 2, Clear Blue Test Only Station 3, Test Onlyo Smog Station II, and GIC Smog Station for causing the issuance of 13 fraudulent Smog Check Inspection Certificates of Compliance. On April 6, 2009, the Department of Consumer Affairs adopted a decision in the matter of Accusation 79/09-21 which revoked all Smog Check Station licenses and Automotive Repair Dealer registrations for each facility. However, the revocations were stayed and the stations were placed on five years probation. In addition, each station was suspended anywhere from 5 to 45 days.

58.0 To determine the degree of discipline, if any, to be imposed on Respondent Iric,o Complainant alleges that on or about March 11, 2015, in a prior action, the Bureau issued Citation Number M2015-0172 and ordered Respondent to complete an 8-hour training course in that he failed to follow inspection procedures. That Citation is now final and is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth.

#### PRAYER

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

1.0 Revoking or suspending Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Number ARDo221700, issued to Chevrem Corporation, Fatih Tekin, President, doing business as Walnut CreekStar Smog;

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- 2.e Revoking or suspending Smog Check Test Only Station License Number TCe 221700, issued to Chevrem Corporation, Fatih Tekin, President, doing business as Walnut Creek Star Smog;
- 3.e Revoking or suspending any additional Automotive Repair Dealer Registration,e Smog Check Station License, Smog Check Inspector License, or Smog Check Repair Techniciane license, issued to Chevrem Corporation, Fatih Tekin, President;
- 4.e Ordering Chevrem Corporation, Fatih Tekin, President to pay the Bureau ofe Automotive Repair the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case,e pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;
- 5.e Revoking or suspending Smog Check Inspector License EO 26524 issued to Fatihe Tekin;
- 6. Revoking or suspending any additional Smog Check Station License, Smog Checke Inspector License, or Smog Check Repair Technician License, issued to Fatih Tekin;
- 7.e Ordering Fatih Tekin to pay the Bureau of Automotive Repair the reasonable costse of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;
- 8.e Revoking or suspending Smog Check Inspector License EO 634506 issued to Alie Nadir Gungor;
- 9.e Revoking or suspending any additional Smog Check Station License, Smog Checke Inspector License, or Smog Check Repair Technician License, issued to Ali Nadir Gungor;
- 10.e Ordering Ali Nadir Gungor to pay the Bureau of Automotive Repair thee reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;
- 11.e Revoking or suspending Smog Check Inspector License EO 635356 issued toe Ersin Iric;
- 12.e Revoking or suspending any additional Smog Check Station License, Smog Checke Inspector License, or Smog Check Repair Technician License, issued to Ersin Iric;

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- 13. Ordering Ersin Iric to pay the Bureau of Automotive Repair the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;
  - 14. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: February 19, 2019-

Signature on file

PATRICK DORAIS
Chief
Bureau of Automotive Repair
Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California
Complainant