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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

SMOG CENTER LLC, dba, GREEN SMOG CHECK INDRANIL VIKAS CHITRE, LEIBOFF FAMILY TRUST, ANGELA LESLIE D'AGOSTA, MEMBERS 2126 Hamner Ave., Unit 102 Norco, CA 92860

22041 Constanso St, Apt 103 Woodland Hills, CA 91364

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.: ARD 282268 Smog Check-Test Only Station License No.: TC 282268,

and

TAYLOR A. ZAPPULLA 811 Drake Ave. Claremont, CA 91711

Smog Check Inspector License No.: EO 637331

Respondents.

Case No.: 79/17-20391

OAH No.: 2018100570

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DECISION

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order AS TO RESPONDENT SMOG CENTER LLC, dba, GREEN SMOG CHECK INDRANIL VIKAS CHITRE, LEIBOFF FAMILY TRUST, ANGELA LESLIE D'AGOSTA, MEMBERS, ONLY is hereby accepted and adopted by the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs as the Decision in the aboveentitled matter.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. May 14, 2019

DATED: _ April 4,2019

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1	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
2	entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:
3	PARTIES
4	1. Patrick Dorais (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair
5	(Bureau). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this matter by
6	Xavier Becerra, Attorney General of the State of California, by Molly E. Selway, Deputy
7	Attorney General.
8	2. Respondent Smog Center LLC, dba Green Smog Check, Indranil Vikas Chitre,
9	Leiboff Family Trust, Angela Leslie D'Agosta, Members, (Respondent) is representing itself in
10	this proceeding and has chosen not to exercise its right to be represented by counsel.
11	3. On or about December 16, 2015, the Bureau issued Automotive Repair Dealer
12	Registration No. ARD 282268 to Respondent. The Automotive Repair Dealer Registration was
13	in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 79/17-
14	20391, and will expire on December 31, 2019, unless renewed.
15	4. On or about December 29, 2015, the Bureau issued Smog Check-Test Only Station
16	License No. TC 282268 to Respondent. The Smog Check-Test Only Station License was in full
17	force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 79/17-20391, and
18	will expire on December 31, 2019, unless renewed.
19	JURISDICTION
20	5. Accusation No. 79/17-20391 was filed before the Director, and is currently pending
21	against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly
22	served on Respondent on May 29, 2018. Respondent timely filed its Notice of Defense
23	contesting the Accusation.
24	6. A copy of Accusation No. 79/17-20391 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated
25	herein by reference.
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1	ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS
2	7. Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in
3	Accusation No. 79/17-20391. Respondent has also carefully read, and understands the effects of
4	this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
5	8. Respondent is fully aware of its legal rights in this matter, including the right to a
6	hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel at
7	its own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against them; the right to
8	present evidence and to testify on its own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel
9	the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and
10	court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California
11	Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
12	9. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and
13	every right set forth above.
14	CULPABILITY
15	10. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation
16	No. 79/17-20391.
17	11. Respondent agrees that its Automotive Repair Dealer Registrations and Smog Check-
18	Test Only Station Licenses are subject to discipline and they agree to be bound by the Director's
19	probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.
20	RESERVATION
21	12. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of this
22	proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Director of Consumer Affairs, Bureau of
23	Automotive Repair, or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be
24	admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.
25	CONTINGENCY
26	13. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Director of Consumer Affairs or
27	the Director's designee. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the
28	staff of the Bureau of Automotive Repair may communicate directly with the Director and staff of
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the Department of Consumer Affairs regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to 1 or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees 2 that they may not withdraw its agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the 3 Director considers and acts upon it. If the Director fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision 4 and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except 5 for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the 6 Director shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter. 7 14. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile 8

9 copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including PDF and facsimile
10 signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary 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 Settlement and Disciplinary
 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.

16. 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
Disciplinary Order:

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DISCIPLINARY ORDER

21 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 282268 and Smog Check-Test Only Station License No. TC 282268 issued to Respondent Smog Center 22 LLC, dba Green Smog Check, Indranil Vikas Chitre, Leiboff Family Trust, Angela Leslie 23 24 D'Agosta, Members ("Respondent") are revoked. However, the revocation is stayed and Respondent is placed on probation for five (5) years on the following terms and conditions. 25 IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Nos. 26 27 ARD 275273, ARD 275792 and ARD 286297 and Smog Check-Test Only Station License Nos. TC 275273, TC 275792 and TC 286297 issued to Respondent are revoked. However, the 28

revocation is stayed and Respondent is placed on probation for three (3) years on the following terms and conditions.

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IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that if Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.
ARD 275032 and Smog Check-Test Only Station License No. TC 275032 is/are renewed by
December 31, 2021, the license(s) will be revoked, however, the revocation will be stayed and
Respondent will be placed on probation for three years that will commence on the date of
renewal.

Obey All Laws. During the period of probation, Respondent shall comply with all
 federal and state statutes, regulations and rules governing all BAR registrations and licenses held
 by Respondent.

Posting of Sign. During the period of suspension, Respondent shall prominently post
 a sign or signs, provided by BAR, indicating the beginning and ending dates of the suspension
 and indicating the reason for the suspension. The sign or signs shall be conspicuously displayed
 in a location or locations open to and frequented by customers. The location(s) of the sign(s) shall
 be approved by BAR and shall remain posted during the entire period of actual suspension.

3. Quarterly Reporting. During the period of probation, Respondent shall report either
by personal appearance or in writing as determined by BAR on a schedule set by BAR, but no
more frequently than once each calendar quarter, on the methods used and success achieved in
maintaining compliance with the terms and conditions of probation.

4. Report Financial Interests. Respondent shall, within 30 days of the effective date
 of the decision and within 30 days from the date of any request by BAR during the period of
 probation, report any financial interest which any Respondent or any partners, officers, or owners
 of any Respondent facility may have in any other business required to be registered pursuant to
 Section 9884.6 of the Business and Professions Code.

5. Access to Examine Vehicles and Records. Respondent shall provide BAR
 representatives unrestricted access to examine all vehicles (including parts) undergoing service,
 inspection, or repairs, up to and including the point of completion. Respondent shall also provide
 BAR representatives unrestricted access to all records pursuant to BAR laws and regulations.

Tolling of Probation. If, during probation, Respondent leaves the jurisdiction of 6. 1 California to reside or do business elsewhere or otherwise ceases to do business in the jurisdiction 2 of California, Respondent shall notify BAR in writing within 10 days of the dates of departure 3 and return, and of the dates of cessation and resumption of business in California. All provisions 4 of probation other than cost reimbursement requirements, restitution requirements, training 5 requirements, and that Respondent obey all laws, shall be held in abeyance during any period of 6 time of 30 days or more in which Respondent is not residing or engaging in business within the 7 jurisdiction of California. All provisions of probation shall recommence on the effective date of 8 resumption of business in California. Any period of time of 30 days or more in which Respondent 9 is not residing or engaging in business within the jurisdiction of California shall not apply to the 10 reduction of this probationary period or to any period of actual suspension not previously 11 completed. Tolling is not available if business or work relevant to the probationary license or 12 registration is conducted or performed during the tolling period. 13

Violation of Probation. If Respondent violates or fails to comply with the terms and
 conditions of probation in any respect, the Director, after giving notice and opportunity to be
 heard may set aside the stay order and carry out the disciplinary order provided in the decision.
 Once Respondent is served notice of BAR's intent to set aside the stay, the Director shall maintain
 jurisdiction, and the period of probation shall be extended until final resolution of the matter.

8. Maintain Valid License. Respondent shall, at all times while on probation, maintain 19 a current and active registration and/or license(s) with BAR, including any period during which 20 suspension or probation is tolled. If Respondent's registration or license is expired at the time the 21 decision becomes effective, the registration or license must be renewed by Respondent within 30 22 days of that date. If Respondent's registration or license expires during a term of probation, by 23 operation of law or otherwise, then upon renewal Respondent's registration or license shall be 24 25 subject to any and all terms and conditions of probation not previously satisfied. Failure to maintain a current and active registration and/or license during the period of probation shall also 26 constitute a violation of probation. 27

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9. Cost Recovery. Respondent shall pay the Bureau of Automotive Repair \$2,038.68 1 for the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of case No. 79/17-20391. 2 Respondent shall make such payment as follows: Forty-eight (48) equal installments with the last 3 payment due twelve (12) months prior to the end of probation. Any agreement for a scheduled 4 payment plan shall require full payment to be completed no later than six (6) months before 5 probation terminates. Respondent shall make payment by check or money order payable to the 6 Bureau of Automotive Repair and shall indicate on the check or money order that it is for cost 7 recovery payment for case No. 79/17-20391. Any order for payment of cost recovery shall 8 remain in effect whether or not probation is tolled. Probation shall not terminate until full cost 9 10 recovery payment has been made. BAR reserves the right to pursue any other lawful measures in 11 collecting on the costs ordered and past due, in addition to taking action based upon the violation of probation. 12

13 10. Completion of Probation. Upon successful completion of probation, Respondent's
14 affected registration and/or license will be fully restored or issued without restriction, if
15 Respondent meets all current requirements for registration or licensure and has paid all
16 outstanding fees, monetary penalties, or cost recovery owed to BAR.

11. License Surrender. Following the effective date of a decision that orders a stay of 17 18 invalidation or revocation, if Respondent ceases business operations or is otherwise unable to 19 satisfy the terms and conditions of probation, Respondent may request that the stay be vacated. 20 Such request shall be made in writing to BAR. The Director and the BAR Chief reserve the right to evaluate the Respondent's request and to exercise discretion whether to grant the request or 21 take any other action deemed appropriate or reasonable under the circumstances. Upon formal 22 granting of the request, the Director will vacate the stay order and carry out the disciplinary order 23 provided in the decision. Respondent may not petition the Director for reinstatement of the 24 25 surrendered registration and/or license, or apply for a new registration or license under the jurisdiction of BAR at any time before the date of the originally scheduled completion of 26 probation. If Respondent applies to BAR for a registration or license at any time after that date, 27 Respondent must meet all current requirements for registration or licensure and pay all 28

1	outstanding fees or cost recovery owed to BAR and left outstanding at the time of surrender.
2	12. Actual Suspension. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 282268 and
3	Smog Check-Test Only Station License No. TC 282268 are suspended for 7 consecutive days
4	beginning on the effective date of the Decision and Order.
5	ACCEPTANCE
6	I have carefully read the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I understand the
7	stipulation and the effect it will have on my Automotive Repair Dealer Registrations, and Smog
8	Check-Test Only Station Licenses. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order
9	voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the
10	Director of Consumer Affairs.
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12	DATED: 3/6/19
13	SMAG CENTER LLC, DBA GREEN SMOG CHECK, INDRANIL VIKAS CHITRE, LEIBOFF
14	FAMILY TRUST, ANGELA LESLIE D'AGOSTA Respondent
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17	ENDORSEMENT
18	The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully
19	submitted for consideration by the Director of Consumer Affairs.
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21	Dated: 3/22/19 Respectfully submitted,
22	XAVIER BECERRA Attorney General of California
23	GREGORY J. SALUTE Supervising Deputy Attorney General
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25	Molly E. Selway
26	Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant
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Exhibit A

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20	ARD 282268 Smog Check-Test Only Station License No.	
21	TC 282268,	~
22	and	
23	TAYLOR A. ZAPPULLA 811 Drake Ave.	
24	Claremont, CA 91711	
25	Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 637331	
26	Respondents.	
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Complainant alleges:

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PARTIES

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

On or about December 16, 2015, the Bureau of Automotive Repair issued Automotive 5 2. Repair Dealer Registration Number ARD 282268 to Smog Center LLC, dba Green Smog Check, 6 7 Indranil Vikas Chitre, Leiboff Family Trust, Angela Leslie D'Agosta, Members (Respondent Green 8 Smog Check). The Automotive Repair Dealer Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on December 31, 2018, unless renewed. 9 3. On or about December 29, 2015, the Bureau of Automotive Repair issued Smog 10 Check-Test Only Station License Number TC 282268 to Smog Center LLC, dba Green Smog 11 Check, Indranil Vikas Chitre, Leiboff Family Trust, Angela Leslie D'Agosta, Members 12 (Respondent Green Smog Check). The Smog Check-Test Only Station License was in full force 13 and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on December 31, 14 2018, unless renewed. 15 On or about September 22, 2014, the Bureau of Automotive Repair issued Smog 4. 16 Check Inspector License Number EO 637331 to Taylor A. Zappulla (Respondent Zappulla). The 17 Smog Check Inspector License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges 18 brought herein and will expire on June 30, 2018, unless renewed. 19 20

JURISDICTION

5. This Accusation is brought before the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs 21 (Director) for the Bureau of Automotive Repair, under the authority of the following laws. 22 Section 477 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that "Board" includes "bureau," 6. 23" "License" includes certificate, registration or other means to engage in a business or 24

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1	7. Section 44002 of the Health and Safety Code provides, in pertinent part, that the
2	Director has all the powers and authority granted under the Automotive Repair Act for enforcing
3	the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program.
4	8. Section 44072.4 of the Health and Safety Code states:
5	The director may take disciplinary action against any licensee after a hearing as provided in this article by any of the following:
6 7	(a) Imposing probation upon terms and conditions to be set forth by the director.
8 9	(b) Suspending the license.
10	(c) Revoking the license.
11	9. Section 44072.2 of the Health and Safety Code states:
12 13	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:
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15	(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.
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17 18	(d) Commits any act involving dishonesty, fraud, or deceit whereby another is injured.
19	10. Section 44072.6 of the Health and Safety Code provides, in pertinent part, that the
20	expiration or suspension of a license by operation of law, or by order or decision of the Director of
21	Consumer Affairs, or a court of law, or the voluntary surrender of the license shall not deprive the
22	Director of jurisdiction to proceed with disciplinary action.
23	11. Section 44072.7 of the Health and Safety Code states:
24	All accusations against licensees shall be filed within three years after the act or omission alleged as the ground for disciplinary action, except that with respect to
25	an accusation alleging a violation of subdivision (d) of Section 44072.2, the
26	accusation may be filed within two years after the discovery by the bureau of the alleged facts constituting the fraud or misrepresentation prohibited by that section.
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1	12. Section 44072.8 of the Health and Safety Code states:
2	When a license has been revoked or suspended following a hearing under this
3	article, any additional license issued under this chapter in the name of the licensee may be likewise revoked or suspended by the director.
4	13. Section 44072.10 of the Health and Safety Code states:
5	(a) Notwithstanding Sections 44072 and 44072.4, the director, or the director's
6	designee, pending a hearing conducted pursuant to subdivision (e), may temporarily suspend any smog check station or technician's license issued under this chapter, for a
7	period not to exceed 60 days, if the department determines that the licensee's conduct would endanger the public health, safety, or welfare before the matter could be heard
8	pursuant to subdivision (e), based upon reasonable evidence of any of the following:
9	(1) Fraud.
10	(2) Tampering.
11	(3) Intentional or willful violation of this chapter or any regulation, standard, or procedure of the department implementing this chapter.
12	(4) A pattern or regular practice of violating this chapter or any regulation,
13	standard, or procedure of the department implementing this chapter.
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15 16	(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:
17	(1) Clean piping, as defined by the department.
18	(2) Tampering with a vehicle emission control system or test analyzer
19	system.
20	(3) Tampering with a vehicle in a manner that would cause the vehicle to falsely pass or falsely fail an inspection.
21	(4) Intentional or willful violation of this chapter or any regulation, standard, or procedure of the department implementing this chapter.
22	standard, or procedure of the department implementing this enapter.
23	14. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.28, subdivision (e), states:
24	Upon renewal of an unexpired Basic Area Technician license or an Advanced
25	Emission Specialist Technician license issued prior to the effective date of this regulation, the licensee may apply to renew as a Smog Check Inspector, Smog
26	Check Repair Technician, or both.
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1	15. Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides that the suspension, expiration,
2	surrender, or cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Director of jurisdiction to proceed with
3	a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued
4	or reinstated.
5	16. Section 9884.13 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a valid
6	registration shall not deprive the director or chief of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary
7	proceeding against an automotive repair dealer or to render a decision invalidating a registration
8	temporarily or permanently.
9	17. Section 9884.20 of the Code states:
10	All accusations against automotive repair dealers shall be filed within three years after
11	the performance of the act or omission alleged as the ground for disciplinary action, except that with respect to an accusation alleging fraud or misrepresentation as a ground for disciplinary action, the accusation may be filed within two years after the
12	discovery, by the bureau, of the alleged facts constituting the fraud or misrepresentation.
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14	18. Section 9884.22 of the Code states:
15	(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the director may revoke, suspend, or deny at any time any registration required by this article on any of the grounds for
16 17	disciplinary action provided in this article. The proceedings under this article shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, and the director shall have all the
18	powers granted therein
19	STATUTORY PROVISIONS
20	19. Section 22 of the Code states:
21	(a) 'Board' as used in any provisions of this Code, refers to the board in which the administration of the provision is vested, and unless otherwise expressly provided,
22	shall include 'bureau,' 'commission,' 'committee,' 'department,' 'division,' 'examining committee,' 'program,' and 'agency.'
23	(b) Whenever the regulatory program of a board that is subject to review by the Joint
24	Committee on Boards, Commissions, and Consumer Protection, as provided for in Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473), is taken over by the department, that
25	program shall be designated as a 'bureau.'
26	20. Section 23.7 of the Code states:
27 28	"Unless otherwise expressly provided, license means license, certificate, registration, or other means to engage in a business or profession regulated by this code or referred to in Section 1000 or 3600."
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1	21. Section 9884.7 of the Code states:
2	(a) The director, where the automotive repair dealer cannot show there was a bona fide error, may deny, suspend, revoke, or place on probation the registration of an externative matrix dealer for a superstructure of the following sets or externative matrix and to the
4	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
5	automotive repair dealer or any automotive technician, employee, partner, officer, or member of the automotive repair dealer.
6	(1) Making or authorizing in any manner or by any means whatever any statement written or oral which is untrue or micloading, and which is known, or which by the
7	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.
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9	(4) Any other conduct that constitutes fraud.
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11	(6) Failure in any material respect to comply with the provisions of this chapter or regulations adopted pursuant to it.
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13	(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), the director may suspend, revoke, or place on
14	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
15	adopted pursuant to it.
16	22. Section 44012 of the Health and Safety Code states:
17	The test at the smog check stations shall be performed in accordance with
18	procedures prescribed by the department and may require loaded mode dynamometer testing in enhanced areas, two-speed idle testing, testing utilizing a
19	vehicle's onboard diagnostic system, or other appropriate test procedures as determined by the department in consultation with the state board. The department
20	shall implement testing using onboard diagnostic systems, in lieu of loaded mode dynamometer or two-speed idle testing, on model year 2000 and newer vehicles
21	only, beginning no earlier than January 1, 2013. However, the department, in
22	consultation with the state board, may prescribe alternative test procedures that include loaded mode dynamometer or two-speed idle testing for vehicles with
23	onboard diagnostic systems that the department and the state board determine
24	exhibit operational problems. The department shall ensure, as appropriate to the test method, the following:
25	(a) Emission control systems required by state and federal law are reducing
26	excess emissions in accordance with the standards adopted pursuant to subdivisions (a) and (c) of Section 44013.
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28	(b) Motor vehicles are preconditioned to ensure representative and stabilized operation of the vehicle's emission control system.
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(c) For other than diesel-powered vehicles, the vehicle's exhaust emissions of hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, and oxides of nitrogen in an idle mode or loaded mode are tested in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department. In determining how loaded mode and evaporative emissions testing shall be conducted, the department shall ensure that the emission reduction targets for the enhanced program are met.

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(d) For other than diesel-powered vehicles, the vehicle's fuel evaporative system and crankcase ventilation system are tested to reduce any nonexhaust sources of volatile organic compound emissions, in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.

(e) For diesel-powered vehicles, a visual inspection is made of emission control devices and the vehicle's exhaust emissions are tested in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department, that may include, but are not limited to, onboard diagnostic testing. The test may include testing of emissions of any or all of the pollutants specified in subdivision (c) and, upon the adoption of applicable standards, measurement of emissions of smoke or particulates, or both.

(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.

(g) A determination as to whether the motor vehicle complies with the emission standards for that vehicle's class and model-year as prescribed by the department.

(h) An analysis of pass and fail rates of vehicles subject to an onboard diagnostic test and a tailpipe test to assess whether any vehicles passing their onboard diagnostic test have, or would have, failed a tailpipe test, and whether any vehicles failing their onboard diagnostic test have or would have passed a tailpipe test.

(i) The test procedures may authorize smog check stations to refuse the testing of a vehicle that would be unsafe to test, or that cannot physically be inspected, as specified by the department by regulation. The refusal to test a vehicle for those reasons shall not excuse or exempt the vehicle from compliance with all applicable requirements of this chapter.

23. Section 44015 of the Health and Safety Code states:

(a) A licensed smog check station shall not issue a certificate of compliance, except as authorized by this chapter, to any vehicle that meets the following criteria:

(1) A vehicle that has been tampered with.

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2	(b) If a vehicle meets the requirements of Section 44012, a smog check
3	station licensed to issue certificates shall issue a certificate of compliance or a certificate of noncompliance.
4	24. Section 44059 of the Health and Safety Code states:
5	The willful making of any false statement or entry with regard to a material
6	matter in any oath, affidavit, certificate of compliance or noncompliance, or application form which is required by this chapter or Chapter 20.3 (commencing
7	with Section 9880) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, constitutes perjury and is punishable as provided in the Penal Code.
9	REGULATORY PROVISIONS
10	25. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.24, subdivision (c) states:
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12	(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
13	certificate of compliance or a certificate of noncompliance.
14	26. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.30 states:
15 16	A licensed smog check inspector and/or repair technician shall comply with the following requirements at all times while licensed:
17 18	(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.
19	27. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.35 provides, in pertinent part,
20	that a licensed station shall issue a certificate of compliance to the owner or operator of any
21	vehicle that has been inspected in accordance with the procedures specified in section 3340.42 of
22	this article and has all the required emission control equipment and devices installed and
23	functioning correctly.
24	28. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.41 states, in part:
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26	(b) No person shall enter into the emissions inspection system any access or
27	qualification number other than as authorized by the bureau, nor in any way tamper with the emissions inspection system.
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1 2	(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
3	tested.
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5	29. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.42 provides, in part, that smog
6	check stations and smog check technicians shall conduct tests and inspections in accordance with
7	the Bureau's BAR 97 Emission Inspection System Specifications and/or the On Board Data
8	Inspection System referenced in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 3340.17.
9	30. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.42.2 states:
10	(c) Starting on or after January 1, 2013, OBD equipped vehicles shall fail
11	the OBD inspection if any one of the following conditions occurs as applicable to the vehicle:
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13	(7) The vehicle's OBD system data is inappropriate for the vehicle being
14	tested;
15 16	(8) The vehicle's OBD system data does not match the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or an Air Resources Board (ARB) exempted OBD software configuration
17	COSTS
18	31. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Bureau may request the
19	administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of
20	the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and
21	enforcement of the case, with failure of the licentiate to comply subjecting the license to not being
22	renewed or reinstated. If a case settles, recovery of investigation and enforcement costs may be
23	included in a stipulated settlement.
24	CLEAN PLUGGING
25	32. At all times alleged in this Accusation, Respondent Zappulla was acting in the course
26	and within the scope of a technician, employee, partner, officer, or member of Respondent Green
27	Smog Check.
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33. The On-Board Diagnostics – Generation II (OBD II) communication protocol
 describes the specified communication "language" used by the OBD II system electronic control
 unit to communicate to scan tools and other devices such as the On-Board Diagnostic Inspection
 System (OIS). The communication protocol is programmed into the OBD II system electronic
 control unit during manufacture and does not change.

34. Parameter Identifications (PID) are data points reported by the OBD II system
electronic control unit to the scan tool or OIS. Examples of PIDs are engine speed (rpm), vehicle
speed, engine temperature, and other input and output values utilized by the OBD II system
electronic control unit. The PID count is the number of data points reported by the OBD II
system electronic control unit and is programmed during manufacture.

11 35. The Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) that is physically present on all vehicles is 12 also required to be programmed into the vehicle's OBD II on 2005 and newer vehicles, and on 13 many occasions was programmed into the OBD II system electronic control unit in earlier model-14 years. This electronically programmed VIN, also known as the "eVIN," is captured by BAR during 15 a Smog Check, and should match the physical VIN on the vehicle.

36. During a Bureau representative's review of Respondents' certified test results in the
Vehicle Information Database (VID) for inspections purportedly performed on the OIS between
January 2017, and December 2017, six (6) vehicles identified below had deviations in one or more
of the following: eVIN, incorrect vehicle communication protocol, and/or incorrect PID count.
This indicates that the vehicles receiving smog certificates were fraudulently tested during the
smog check inspection by a method known as Clean Plugging.¹ A detailed explanation of each
fraudulent smog check is as follows:

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37. Clean Plug No. 1:

On or about January 5, 2017, between 12:25 p.m. and 12:44 p.m., a 2002 Ford Mustang,
VIN 1FAFP44412F119823, CA License 6LTP816 was inspected. A Certificate of Compliance

¹ To "clean plug" a vehicle, the technician uses another vehicle's properly functioning OBD
 II system, or another source, to generate passing diagnostic readings for the purpose of issuing
 fraudulent smog certificates of compliance to vehicles that are not in smog compliance or not
 present during the certified test.

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was issued by Respondent Green Smog Check using license EO 637331, belonging to Smog
Check Inspector Zappulla. OIS Test Details for the 2002 Ford Mustang showed an incorrect
eVIN reported as 1ZVHT80NX95110328, the protocol reported as ICAN11bt5, and the PID
count was 47. Comparative OIS Test Data for One Thousand (1000)² 2002 Ford Mustang
vehicles shows that 98.4% report the correct eVIN, have a communication protocol of JPWM,
and report a PID count of 21.

On or about June 17, 2015, another licensed smog check facility performed a smog check
inspection on the 2002 Ford Mustang, VIN 1FAFP44412F119823, CA License 6LTP816. The
OIS Test Data shows the vehicle failed the inspection, transmitted the correct eVIN, had the
expected communication protocol JPWM, and transmitted a PID count of 21.

The OIS Test Data shows that a 2009 Ford Mustang, VIN 1ZVHT80NX95110328, was the
vehicle used to generate the fraudulent Smog Certificate of Compliance for the 2002 Ford
Mustang. The 2009 Ford Mustang was certified under Respondent Zappulla on the same day,
January 5, 2017, as the fraudulent inspection of the 2002 Ford Mustang. The OIS Test Data
transmitted for the 2009 Ford Mustang matches the OIS Test Data for the fraudulent inspection of
the 2002 Ford Mustang for the eVIN, Protocol and PID count.

The discrepancies in the OIS Test Data prove that Green Smog Check's OIS Data
Acquisition Device (DAD) was not connected to the 2002 Ford Mustang being certified, resulting
in the issuance of a fraudulent Certificate of Compliance.

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38. Clean Plug No. 2:

On or about August 8, 2017, between 1:12 p.m. and 1:19 p.m., a 2002 GMC Yukon XL
C1500, VIN 1GKEC16T22J235277, CA License No. 4WJH464 was inspected. A Certificate of
Compliance was issued by Respondent Green Smog Check using license EO 637331, belonging to
Smog Check Inspector Zappulla. OIS Test Details for the 2002 GMC Yukon XL C1500 showed
an incorrect eVIN reported as 1GCRCSE01CZ306997, the protocol reported as ICAN11bt5, and
the PID count was 45|7|8. Comparative OIS Test Data for Seven Hundred Six (706), 2002 GMC

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² This number is based on the most recent available total number of similar vehicles tested statewide, or up to one thousand (1000).

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Yukon XL C1500 vehicles shows that 96% report the correct eVIN, have a communication protocol of JVPW, and report a PID count of 22.

On or about May 16, 2017, another licensed smog check facility performed a smog check
inspection on the 2002 GMC Yukon XL C1500, VIN 1GKEC16T22J235277, CA License No.
4WJH464. The OIS Test Details shows the vehicle failed the inspection, transmitted the correct
eVIN, had the expected communication protocol JVPW and transmitted a PID count of 22.

The OIS Test Data shows that a 2012 Chevrolet Silverado C1500 LT, VIN
IGCRCSE01CZ306997, was the vehicle used to generate the fraudulent Smog Certificate of
Compliance for the 2002 GMC Yukon XL C1500. The 2012 Chevrolet Silverado C1500 LT was
certified under Respondent Green Smog Check using license EO 637331, belonging to Smog
Check Inspector Zappulla on or about August 5, 2017. The OIS Test Data transmitted for the
2012 Chevrolet Silverado C1500 LT matches the OIS Test Data for the fraudulent inspection of
the 2002 GMC Yukon XL C1500 for the eVIN, Protocol and PID Count.

The discrepancies in the OIS Test Data prove that Green Smog Check's DAD was not
 connected to the 2002 GMC Yukon XL C1500 being certified, resulting in the issuance of a
 fraudulent Certificate of Compliance.

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39. Clean Plug No. 3:

On or about November 10, 2017, between 8:26 a.m. and 8:33 a.m., a 2005 Toyota Prius, 18 19 VIN JTDKB20U653111322, CA License No. 5RRW679 was inspected. A Certificate of Compliance was issued by Respondent Green Smog Check using license EO 637331, belonging to 20 Smog Check Inspector Zappulla. OIS Test Details for the 2005 Toyota Prius showed an incorrect 21 eVIN reported as 1HGCR2F32FA150065, the protocol reported as ICAN29bt5, and the PID 22 count was 39. Comparative OIS Test Data for One Thousand (1000) 2005 Toyota Prius vehicles 23 shows that 100% report the correct eVIN, have a communication protocol of ICAN11bt5, and 24 25 report a PID count of 34, or 37|21|17, or 37|21|5.

On or about March 17, 2016, another licensed smog check facility performed a smog check
inspection on the 2005 Toyota Prius, VIN JTDKB20U653111322, CA License No. 5RRW679.

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The OIS Test Details shows the vehicle transmitted the correct eVIN, had the expected communication protocol ICAN11bt5 and transmitted a PID count of 37|21|17.

The DMV registration information indicates VIN 1HGCR2F32FA150065 corresponds to a
2015 Honda Accord, and not a 2005 Toyota Prius.

The discrepancies in the OIS Test Data prove that Green Smog Check's DAD was not
connected to the 2005 Toyota Prius being certified, resulting in the issuance of a fraudulent
Certificate of Compliance.

40. Clean Plug No. 4:

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On or about November 10, 2017, between 1:51 p.m. and 1:55 p.m., a 2001 Ford Escape 9 XLT, VIN 1FMYU03171KF92686, CA License No. 4SJL573 was inspected. A Certificate of 10 Compliance was issued by Respondent Green Smog Check using license EO 637331, belonging to 11 Smog Check Inspector Zappulla. OIS Test Details for the 2001 Ford Escape XLT showed an 12 incorrect eVIN reported as 1HGCR2F32FA150065, the protocol reported as ICAN29bt5, and the 13 PID count was 39. Comparative OIS Test Data for One Thousand (1000) 2001 Ford Escape XLT 14 15 vehicles shows that 98% report the correct eVIN, have a communication protocol of JPWM, and 16 report a PID count of 20.

On or about July 31, 2017, another licensed smog check facility performed a smog check
inspection on the 2001 Ford Escape XLT, VIN 1FMYU03171KF92686, CA License No.

19 4SJL573. The OIS Test Details shows the vehicle failed the inspection, transmitted the correct

20 eVIN, had the expected communication protocol JPWM and transmitted a PID count of 20.

The DMV registration information indicates VIN 1HGCR2F32FA150065 corresponds to a
2015 Honda Accord, and not a 2001 Ford Escape XLT.

The discrepancies in the OIS Test Data prove that Green Smog Check's DAD was not
 connected to the 2001 Ford Escape XLT being certified, resulting in the issuance of a fraudulent
 Certificate of Compliance.

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1	41. Clean Plug No. 5:
2	On or about November 18, 2017, between 11:34 a.m. and 11:39 a.m., a 2000 Mercedes-
3	Benz S 500, VIN WDBNG75J4YA101803, CA License No. PGAW was inspected. A Certificate
4	of Compliance was issued by Respondent Green Smog Check using license EO 637331, belonging
5	to Smog Check Inspector Zappulla. OIS Test Details for the 2000 Mercedes-Benz S 500 showed
6	an incorrect eVIN reported as 1HGCR2F32FA150065, the protocol reported as ICAN29bt5, and
7	the PID count was 39. Comparative OIS Test Data for One Thousand (1000), 2000 Mercedes-
8	Benz S 500 vehicles shows that 98.7% do not report an eVIN, have a communication protocol of
9	I914, and report a PID count of 21.
10	On or about June 25, 2016, another licensed smog check facility performed a smog check
11	inspection on the 2000 Mercedes-Benz S 500, VIN WDBNG75J4YA101803, CA License No.
12	PGAW. The OIS Test Details shows the vehicle did not transmit an eVIN, had the expected
13	communication protocol 1914 and transmitted a PID count of 21.
14	DMV registration information indicates VIN 1HGCR2F32FA150065 corresponds to a 2015
15	Honda Accord, not a 2000 Mercedes-Benz S 500.
16	The discrepancies in the OIS Test Data prove that Green Smog Check's DAD was not
17	connected to the 2000 Mercedes-Benz S 500 being certified, resulting in the issuance of a
18	fraudulent Certificate of Compliance.
19	42. Clean Plug No. 6:
20	On or about December 11, 2017, between 1:05 p.m. and 1:09 p.m., a 2005 Chevrolet Astro,
21	VIN 1GNDM19X65B111750, CA License No. 5LDU460 was inspected. A Certificate of
22	Compliance was issued by Respondent Green Smog Check using license EO 637331, belonging to
23	Smog Check Inspector Zappulla. OIS Test Details for the 2005 Chevrolet Astro showed an eVIN
24	was not reported, the protocol reported as I914, and the PID count was 16. Comparative OIS
25	Test Data for Seven Hundred Sixty-Two (762), 2005 Chevrolet Astro vehicles shows that 99.2%
26	report the eVIN, have a communication protocol of JVPW, and report a PID count of 21.
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1	The discrepancies in the OIS Test Data prove that Green Smog Check's DAD was not
2	connected to the 2005 Chevrolet Astro being certified, resulting in the issuance of a fraudulent
3	Certificate of Compliance.
4	FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
5	(Untrue or Misleading Statement)
6	43. Complainant re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations set forth above in
7	the foregoing paragraphs.
8	44. Respondent Green Smog Check's Registration is subject to disciplinary action under
9	section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), in that Respondent Green Smog Check made or authorized
10	statements which Respondent Green Smog Check knew or in the exercise of reasonable care
11	should have known to be untrue or misleading.
12	45. Respondent Green Smog Check certified that the vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42,
13	had passed inspection and were in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations, when in
14	fact and in truth, Respondent Green Smog Check inspected the vehicles using the clean plugging
15	method to issue fraudulent certificates of compliance.
16	SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
17	(Violation of Motor Vehicle Inspection Program)
18	46. Complainant re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations set forth above in
19	the foregoing paragraphs.
20	47. Respondent Green Smog Check's Smog Check Station License is subject to
21	disciplinary action under Health and Safety Code section 44072.2, subdivision (a), in that
22	Respondent Green Smog Check failed to comply with the following sections of that Code:
23	a. <u>Section 44012</u> : failed to perform the tests of the emission control systems and devices
24	on the vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42, in accordance with procedures prescribed by the
25	Department.
26	b. Section 44015, subd. (a) and (b): issued a certificate of compliance for the vehicles
27	listed in paragraphs 37-42, without properly testing and inspecting them to determine if they were
28	in compliance with Health & Safety Code section 44012.
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1	c. <u>Section 44035</u> : failed to meet or maintain the standards prescribed for qualification,
2	equipment, performance, or conduct by failing to properly perform a smog inspection on the
3	vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42 or certifying that such tests had been performed, when in fact
4	they were never performed.
5	THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
6	(Failure to Comply with Regulations Pursuant to the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program)
7	48. Complainant re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations set forth above in
8	the foregoing paragraphs.
9	49. Respondent Green Smog Check's Smog Check Station License is subject to
10	disciplinary action under Health and Safety Code section 44072.2, subdivision (a), in that
11	Respondent Green Smog Check failed to comply with the following sections of Title 16, California
12	Code of Regulations:
13	a. <u>Section 3340.35, subdivision (c)</u> : failed to inspect and test the vehicles listed in
14	paragraphs 37-42, in accordance with the procedures specified in section 3340.42 of the
15	Regulations and failed to ensure that the vehicles had all the required emission control equipment
16	and devices installed and functioning correctly.
17	b. <u>Section 3340.41, subdivision (c)</u> : knowingly entered into the Emissions Inspection
18	System false information about the vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42, providing results for smog
19	inspections which were not actually performed.
20	c. <u>Section 3340.42</u> : failed to conduct the required smog tests on the vehicles listed in
21	paragraphs 37-42, in accordance with the Bureau's specifications.
22	d. <u>Section 3340.45</u> : failed to conduct the required smog tests on the vehicles listed in
23	paragraphs 37-42, in accordance with the Smog Check Manual, dated 2013.
24	FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
25	(Dishonesty, Fraud, or Deceit)
26	50. Complainant re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations set forth above in
27	the foregoing paragraphs.
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1	ANGELA LESLIE D'AGOSTA and TAYLOR A. ZAPPULLA) ACCUSATION

1	51. Respondent Green Smog Check's Registration is subject to disciplinary action under
2	Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4) and Respondent Green Smog Check's Smog Check
3	Station License is subject to disciplinary action under Health and Safety Code sections 44072.10,
4	subdivision (a) and (c) and 44072.2, subdivision (d), in that Respondent Green Smog Check
5	committed dishonest, fraudulent, or deceitful acts whereby another is injured by issuing a smog
6	certificate of compliance for the vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42 without performing bona fide
7	inspections of the emission control devices and systems on the vehicles, thereby depriving the
8	People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection
9	Program.
10	FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
11	(Violation of Motor Vehicle Inspection Program)
12	52. Complainant re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations set forth above in
13	the foregoing paragraphs.
14	53. Respondent Zappulla's license is subject to disciplinary action under Health and Safety
15	Code sections 44072.10, subdivisions (a) and (c) and 44072.2, subdivision (a), in that Respondent
16	Zappulla failed to comply with the following sections of that Code:
17	a. <u>Section 44012</u> : failed to perform the tests of the emission control systems and devices
18	on the vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42, in accordance with procedures prescribed by the
19	Department.
20	b. <u>Section 44015, subd. (a) and (b)</u> : issued a certificate of compliance for the vehicles
21	listed in paragraphs 37-42, without properly testing and inspecting them to determine if they were
22	in compliance with Health & Safety Code section 44012.
23	c. <u>Section 44035</u> : failed to meet or maintain the standards prescribed for qualification,
24	equipment, performance, or conduct by failing to properly perform a smog inspection on the
25	vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42, or certifying that such tests had been performed, when in fact
26	they were never performed.
27	d. <u>Section 44032</u> : failed to test emission control devices and systems in accordance with
28	Section 44012 on the vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42.
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1	SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
2	(Failure to Comply with Regulations Pursuant to the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program)
3	54. Complainant re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations set forth above in
4	the foregoing paragraphs.
5	55. Respondent Zappulla's license is subject to disciplinary action under Health and Safety
6	Code sections 44072.10, subdivisions (a) and (c) and 44072.2, subdivision (a) in that Respondent
7	Zappulla failed to comply with the following sections of Title 16, California Code of Regulations:
8	a. Section 3340.35, subdivision (c): failed to inspect and test the vehicles listed in
9	paragraphs 37-42, in accordance with the procedures specified in section 3340.42 of the
10	Regulations and failed to ensure that the vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42, had all the required
11	emission control equipment and devices installed and functioning correctly.
12	b. <u>Section 3340.41, subdivision (c)</u> : knowingly entered into the Emissions Inspection
13	System false information about the vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42, providing results for smog
14	inspections which were not actually performed.
15	c. <u>Section 3340.42</u> : failed to conduct the required smog tests on the vehicles listed in
16	paragraphs 37-42, in accordance with the Bureau's specifications.
17	d. <u>Section 3340.45</u> : failed to conduct the required smog tests on the vehicles listed in
18	paragraphs 37-42, in accordance with the Smog Check Manual, dated 2013.
19	SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
20	(Dishonesty, Fraud, or Deceit)
21	56. Complainant re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations set forth above in
22	the foregoing paragraphs.
23	57. Respondent Zappulla's license is subject to disciplinary action under Health and Safety
24	Code sections 44072.10, subdivision (a) and (c) and 44072.2, subdivision (d), in that Respondent
25	Zappulla committed dishonest, fraudulent, or deceitful acts whereby another is injured by issuing a
26	smog certificate of compliance for the vehicles listed in paragraphs 37-42, without performing
27	bona fide inspections of the emission control devices and systems on the vehicles, thereby
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depriving the People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program.

OTHER MATTERS

58. Under 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
Green Smog Check 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.

59. Under Health & Safety Code section 44072.8, if Respondent Green Smog Check's
Smog Check Station License is revoked or suspended, the Director may likewise revoke or
suspend any additional license issued under Chapter 5 of Part 5 of Division 26 of the Health and
Safety Code in the name of Respondent Green Smog Check.

12 60. Under Health & Safety Code section 44072.8, if Respondent Zappulla's Smog Check
13 Inspector License is revoked or suspended, the Director may likewise revoke or suspend any
14 additional license issued under Chapter 5 of Part 5 of Division 26 of the Health and Safety Code in
15 the name of Respondent Zappulla.

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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:

Revoking or suspending Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Number ARD
 282268, issued to Smog Center LLC, dba Green Smog Check, Indranil Vikas Chitre, Leiboff
 Family Trust, Angela Leslie D'Agosta, Members;

22 2. Revoking or suspending any other ARD registrations in the name of Smog Center,
23 LLC;

Revoking or suspending Smog Check-Test Only Station License Number TC 282268,
 issued to Smog Center LLC, dba Green Smog Check, Indranil Vikas Chitre, Leiboff Family Trust,
 Angela Leslie D'Agosta, Members;

27 4. Revoking or suspending any additional license issued under Chapter 5 of Part 5 of
28 Division 26 of the Health and Safety Code in the name of Smog Center, LLC;

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5. 1 Revoking or suspending Smog Check Inspector License Number EO 637331, issued 2 to Taylor A. Zappulla; Revoking or suspending any additional license issued under Chapter 5 of Part 5 of 6. 3 Division 26 of the Health and Safety Code in the name of Taylor A. Zappulla; 4 7. Ordering Smog Center LLC, dba Green Smog Check, Indranil Vikas Chitre, Leiboff 5 Family Trust, Angela Leslie D'Agosta, Members and Taylor A. Zappulla to pay the Bureau of 6 Automotive Repair the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant 7 to Business and Professions Code section 125.3; and, 8 8. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper. 9 10 11 12 DATED: May 25, 20/8 13 PATRICK DORAIS 14 Chief Bureau of Automotive Repair 15 Department of Consumer Affairs State of California 16 Complainant 17 SD2018800479 18 81991232.doc 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 20 (SMOG CENTER LLC, DBA GREEN SMOG CHECK, INDRANIL VIKAS CHITRE, LEIBOFF FAMILY TRUST, ANGELA LESLIE D'AGOSTA and TAYLOR A. ZAPPULLA) ACCUSATION