

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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

OSCAR ALDACO-OWNER dba CUATES SMOG CHECK

3708 Rubidoux Blvd.

Riverside, CA 92509

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 290269

Smog Check Test Only Station License No. TC 290269

and

OSCAR ALDACO

433 E. Merrill Ave.

Rialto, CA 92376

Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 637324

Respondents.

Case No. 79/25-2829

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OAH No. 2025070072

DECISION

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

This Decision shall become effective on March 4, 2026.

IT IS SO ORDERED April 16, 2026.

Signature on file

GRACE ARUPO RODRIGUEZ

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**STIPULATED REVOCATION OF
LICENSE AND ORDER**

17 **Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.**
18 **ARD 290269**
19 **Smog Check, Test-Only Station License No.**
20 **TC 290269**

21 **and**

22 **OSCAR ALDACO**
23 **433 E Merrill Ave.**
24 **Rialto, CA 92376**

25 **Smog Check Inspector License No. EO**
26 **637324**

27 Respondents.

28 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

PARTIES

1. Patrick Dorais (“Complainant”) is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair (“Bureau”). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this matter

1 by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Michael Brown, Deputy Attorney
2 General.

3 2. Oscar Aldaco-Owner dba Cuates Smog Check (“Respondent Cuates Smog”) and
4 Oscar Aldaco (“Respondent Aldaco”) are represented in this proceeding by attorney Stephen T.
5 Allen, Esq., whose address is: 5055 Canyon Crest Drive, Riverside, CA 92507.

6 **Oscar Aldaco-Owner dba Cuates Smog Check**

7 **Automotive Repair Dealer Registration**

8 3. On or about April 24, 2018, the Bureau issued Automotive Repair Dealer Registration
9 Number ARD 290269 to Respondent Cuates Smog. The Automotive Repair Dealer Registration
10 was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 79/25-
11 2829 and will expire on April 30, 2026, unless renewed.

12 **Smog Check, Test Only, Station License**

13 4. On or about June 6, 2018, the Bureau issued Smog Check, Test-Only, Station License
14 Number TC 290269 to Respondent Cuates Smog. The Smog Check, Test-Only, Station License
15 was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 79/25-
16 2829 and will expire on April 30, 2026, unless renewed.

17 **STAR Station Certification**

18 5. On or about January 25, 2019, the Bureau certified Cuates Smog Check as a STAR
19 Station. The certification will remain active unless ARD 290269 and/or TC 290269 is revoked,
20 canceled, becomes delinquent, or the certification is invalidated.

21 **Oscar Aldaco**

22 **Smog Check Inspector License**

23 6. On or about September 18, 2014, the Bureau issued Smog Check Inspector License
24 Number EO 637324 to Respondent Aldaco. The Smog Check Inspector License was in full force
25 and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 79/25-2829 and will
26 expire on July 31, 2026, unless renewed.

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1 **JURISDICTION**

2 7. Accusation No. 79/25-2829 was filed before the Director and is currently pending
3 against Respondents Cuates Smog and Aldaco. The Accusation and all other statutorily required
4 documents were properly served on Respondents on June 11, 2025. Respondents timely filed
5 their Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 79/25-2829 is
6 attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

7 **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

8 8. Respondents Cuates Smog and Aldaco have carefully read, fully discussed with
9 counsel, and understand the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 79/25-2829. Respondents
10 also have carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understand the effects of this
11 Stipulated Revocation of License and Order.

12 9. Respondents Cuates Smog and Aldaco are fully aware of their legal rights in this
13 matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right
14 to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to
15 testify on their own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of
16 witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an
17 adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act
18 and other applicable laws.

19 10. Respondents Cuates Smog and Aldaco voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently
20 waive and give up each and every right set forth above.

21 **CULPABILITY**

22 11. Respondents Cuates Smog and Aldaco understand that the charges and allegations in
23 Accusation No. 79/25-2829, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon
24 their Automotive Repair Dealer Registration, Smog Check, Test-Only, Station License, and Smog
25 Check Inspector.

26 12. For the purpose of resolving the Accusation without the expense and uncertainty of
27 further proceedings, Respondents Cuates Smog and Aldaco agree that, at a hearing, Complainant
28 could establish a factual basis for the charges in the Accusation and that those charges constitute

1 cause for discipline. Respondents hereby give up their right to contest that cause for discipline
2 exists based on those charges.

3 13. Respondents Cuates Smog and Aldaco understand that by signing this stipulation,
4 they enable the Director to issue his order accepting the Revocation of their Automotive Repair
5 Dealer Registration, Smog Check, Test-Only, Station License, and Smog Check Inspector without
6 further process.

7 **CONTINGENCY**

8 14. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Director or the Director's designee.
9 Respondents Cuates Smog and Aldaco understand and agree that counsel for Complainant and the
10 staff of the Bureau of Automotive Repair may communicate directly with the Director and staff
11 regarding this Stipulated Revocation, without notice to or participation by Respondents or their
12 counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondents understand and agree that they may not
13 withdraw their agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Director considers
14 and acts upon it. If the Director fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision and Order, the
15 Stipulated Revocation and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this
16 paragraph; it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Director shall
17 not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

18 15. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile
19 copies of this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order, including PDF and facsimile
20 signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

21 16. This Stipulated Revocation of License and Order is intended by the parties to be an
22 integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement.
23 It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions,
24 negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Revocation of License and
25 Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a
26 writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

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1 true, correct and admitted by Respondents when the Director determines whether to grant or deny
2 the petition.

3 5. Respondents Cuates Smog and Aldaco shall pay the agency its costs of investigation and
4 enforcement in the amount of \$6,116.11 prior to issuance of a new or reinstated license.

5 **ACCEPTANCE**

6 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Revocation of License and Order and have fully
7 discussed it with my attorney Stephen T. Allen, Esq. I understand the stipulation and the effect it
8 will have on my Automotive Repair Dealer Registration, and Smog Check, Test-Only, Station
9 License. I enter into this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and
10 intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Director of the Department
11 of Consumer Affairs.

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13 DATED: 2/2/26

Original signature on file

14 OSCAR ALDACO-OWNER DBA CUATES
15 SMOG CHECK
Respondent

16 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Revocation of License and Order and have fully
17 discussed it with my attorney Stephen T. Allen, Esq. I understand the stipulation and the effect it
18 will have on my Smog Check Inspector License. I enter into this Stipulated Revocation of
19 License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the
20 Decision and Order of the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

21 DATED: 2/2/26

Original signature on file

22 OSCAR ALDACO
23 Respondent

24 I have read and fully discussed with Respondents Oscar Aldaco-Owner dba Cuates Smog
25 Check and Oscar Aldaco the terms and conditions and other matters contained in this Stipulated
26 Revocation of License and Order. I approve its form and content.

27 DATED: 2/1/26

Original signature on file

28 STEPHEN T. ALLEN, ESQ.
Attorney for Respondent

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ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Revocation of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

DATED: January 2, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

ROB BONTA
Attorney General of California
NANCY A. KAISER
Supervising Deputy Attorney General

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