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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

**JOSE RAUL BLANCO, d.b.a. MOVALL  
SMOG  
23846 Sunnymead Blvd #14  
Moreno Valley, CA 92553**

**Automotive Repair Dealer Registration  
Number ARD 294485, Smog Test, Test  
Only, Station License Number TC 294485**

**JOSE RAUL BLANCO MELENDREZ  
44394 Meadow Grove St  
Hemet, CA 92544**

**Smog Check Inspector License Number EO  
643978**

**-and-**

**VALENTIN V. VALENCIA  
920 Orange St  
Colton, CA 92324**

**Smog Check Inspector License Number EO  
635186**

Respondents.

Case No. 79/24-17474

OAH No. 2025060651

**DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER AS  
TO JOSE RAUL BLANCO DBA  
MOVALL SMOG AND JOSE RAUL  
BLANCO MELENDREZ ONLY**

[Gov. Code, §11520]

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**FINDINGS OF FACT**

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2           1.     On or about April 15, 2025, Complainant Patrick Dorais, in his official capacity as  
3 the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair (Bureau), Department of Consumer Affairs  
4 (Department), filed Accusation Number 79/24-17474 against Jose Raul Blanco doing business as  
5 Movall Smog (Respondent Movall Smog), Jose Raul Blanco Melendrez (Respondent Blanco  
6 Melendrez) and Valentin V. Valencia (Respondent Valencia) before the Director of the  
7 Department. (**Ex. A**, attached hereto.)

8           2.     On or about June 3, 2019, the Bureau issued Automotive Repair Dealer Registration  
9 Number ARD 294485 to Respondent Movall Smog. The Automotive Repair Dealer Registration  
10 was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation Number  
11 79/24-17474 and will expire on June 30, 2026, unless renewed.

12           3.     On or about June 13, 2019, the Bureau issued Smog Check, Test-Only, Station  
13 Number TC 294485 to Respondent Movall Smog. The Smog Check, Test-Only, Station was in  
14 full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation Number  
15 79/24-17474 and will expire on June 30, 2026, unless renewed.

16           4.     On or about October 20, 2022, Bureau issued Smog Check Inspector License Number  
17 EO 643978 to Respondent Blanco Melendrez<sup>1</sup>. The Smog Check Inspector License was in full  
18 force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on December  
19 31, 2026, unless renewed.

20           5.     On or about April 18, 2025, Respondent Movall Smog was served by Certified and  
21 First Class Mail copies of the Accusation Number 79/24-17474, Statement to Respondent, Notice  
22 of Defense, Request for Discovery and discovery statutes (Government Code sections 11507.5,  
23 11507.6, and 11507.7) at Respondent Movall Smog's address of record which, pursuant to  
24 Business and Professions Code section 136, is required to be reported and maintained with the  
25 Bureau. Respondent Movall Smog's address of record was and is: 23846 Sunnymead Blvd #14,  
26 Moreno Valley, CA 92553.

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28           <sup>1</sup> At all times alleged herein, Respondent Jose Raul Blanco Melendrez was acting as an  
employee of Respondent Movall Smog and committed the acts alleged herein in the course and  
scope of his employment at Respondent Movall Smog.

1           6.     On or about April 18, 2025, Respondent Blanco Melendrez was served by Certified  
2 and First Class Mail copies of the Accusation Number 79/24-17474, Statement to Respondent,  
3 Notice of Defense, Request for Discovery and discovery statutes (Government Code sections  
4 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7) at Respondent Blanco Melendrez's address of record which,  
5 pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 136, is required to be reported and maintained  
6 with the Bureau. Respondent Blanco Melendrez's address of record was and is: 44394 Meadow  
7 Grove St, Hemet, CA 92544.

8           7.     Service of the Accusation was effective as a matter of law under the provisions of  
9 Government Code section 11505, subdivision (c), and/or Business and Professions Code section  
10 124.

11          8.     Government Code section 11506, subdivision (c), states, in pertinent part:

12                 The respondent shall be entitled to a hearing on the merits if the respondent  
13 files a notice of defense . . . and the notice shall be deemed a specific denial of all  
14 parts of the accusation . . . not expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense  
15 . . . shall constitute a waiver of respondent's right to a hearing, but the agency in its  
16 discretion may nevertheless grant a hearing.

17          9.     The Bureau takes official notice of its records and the fact that on or about April 23,  
18 2025, Jose Raul Blanco Melendrez filed a Notice of Defense on behalf of Respondent  
19 Movall Smog and himself. *However*, on or about November 25, 2025, Jose Blanco Raul  
20 Melendrez withdrew the Notice of Defense, thereby waiving his right to a hearing on the  
21 merits of Accusation Number 79/24-17474.

22          10.    Government Code section 11520, subdivision (a), states, in pertinent part:

23                 If the respondent either fails to file a notice of defense . . . or to appear at the  
24 hearing, the agency may take action based upon the respondent's express admissions  
25 or upon other evidence and affidavits may be used as evidence without any notice to  
26 respondent . . . .

27          11.    Pursuant to its authority under Government Code section 11520, the Director after  
28 having reviewed the proof of service dated April 18, 2025, signed by H. Tesfagiorgis, finds  
Respondent Movall Smog and Respondent Blanco Melendrez are in default. The Director will  
take action without further hearing and, based on the relevant evidence contained in the Default  
Decision Investigatory Evidence Packet in this matter, finds that the charges and allegations as to

1 Respondent Movall Smog and Respondent Blanco Melendrez in Accusation Number 79/24-  
2 17474, are separately and severally, found to be true and correct by clear and convincing  
3 evidence.

4 **DETERMINATION OF ISSUES**

5 1. Based on the foregoing findings of fact, Respondent Jose Raul Blanco, doing business  
6 as Movall Smog has subjected his Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Number ARD 294485  
7 and Smog Check, Test-Only, Station Number TC 294485 to discipline; and Respondent Jose Raul  
8 Blanco Melendrez has also subjected his Smog Check Inspector License Number EO 643978 to  
9 discipline.

10 2. The agency has jurisdiction to adjudicate this case by default.

11 3. The Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs is authorized to revoke  
12 Respondent Movall Smog's Automotive Repair Dealer Registration and Smog Check, Test-Only,  
13 Station License and Respondent Blanco Melendrez's Smog Check Inspector License based on the  
14 following violations alleged in the Accusation which are supported by the evidence contained in  
15 the Default Decision Investigatory Evidence Packet in this case:

16 a. Respondent Movall Smog's automotive repair dealer registration is subject to  
17 disciplinary action pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1),  
18 in that Respondent Movall Smog's employees made or authorized statements which they knew or  
19 in the exercise of reasonable care should have known to be untrue or misleading, as follows:  
20 Respondent Movall Smog's employees certified that multiple vehicles had passed inspection and  
21 were in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. In fact, Respondent Movall Smog's  
22 employees conducted the inspections on those vehicles using the clean plugging method in order  
23 to issue smog certificates of compliance, and did not test or inspect the vehicles as required by  
24 Health and Safety Code section 44012.

25 b. Respondent Movall Smog's automotive repair dealer registration is subject to  
26 disciplinary action pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),  
27 in that Respondent Movall Smog's employees committed acts which constitute fraud by issuing  
28 electronic certificates of compliance for multiple vehicles without performing bona fide

1 inspections of the emission control devices and systems on those vehicles, thereby depriving the  
2 People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection  
3 Program.

4 c. Respondent Movall Smog's smog station license is subject to disciplinary action  
5 pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 44072.2, subdivision (a), in conjunction with Health  
6 and Safety Code section 44072.10, subdivision (c), in that Respondent Movall Smog failed to  
7 comply with the following sections of the Health and Safety Code:

8 i. Section 44012: Respondent Movall Smog's employees failed to ensure that the  
9 emission control tests were performed on multiple vehicles, in accordance with procedures  
10 prescribed by the department.

11 ii. Section 44015: Respondent Movall Smog's employees issued electronic  
12 certificates of compliance for multiple vehicles, without ensuring that the vehicles were  
13 properly tested and inspected to determine if they were in compliance with Health and  
14 Safety Code section 44012.

15 d. Respondent Movall Smog's smog station license is subject to disciplinary action  
16 pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 44072.2, subdivision (c), in that Respondent Movall  
17 Smog's employees failed to comply with the following provisions of the California Code of  
18 Regulations, Title 16, as follows:

19 i. Section 3340.35, subdivision (c): Respondent Movall Smog's employees issued  
20 electronic certificates of compliance even though those vehicles had not been inspected in  
21 accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 16, section 3340.42.

22 ii. Section 3340.42: Respondent Movall Smog's employees failed to conduct the  
23 required smog tests and inspections on those vehicles in accordance with the Bureau's  
24 specifications.

25 e. Respondent Movall Smog's smog station license is subject to disciplinary action  
26 pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 44072.2, subdivision (d), in conjunction with Health  
27 and Safety Code section 44072.10, subdivision (c), in that Respondent Movall Smog's  
28 employee's committed acts involving dishonesty, fraud or deceit whereby another was injured by

1 issuing electronic certificates of compliance for multiple vehicles without performing bona fide  
2 inspections of the emission control devices and systems on the vehicles, thereby depriving the  
3 People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection  
4 Program.

5 f. Respondent Blanco Melendrez's smog check inspector license is subject to discipline  
6 pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 44072.2, subdivision (a), in that Respondent Blanco  
7 Melendrez failed to comply with Health and Safety Code section 44012 in a material respect, as  
8 follows: Respondent Blanco Melendrez failed to perform the emission control tests on multiple  
9 vehicles in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.

10 g. Respondent Blanco Melendrez's smog check inspector license is subject to discipline  
11 pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 44072.2, subdivision (c), in that Respondent Blanco  
12 Melendrez failed to comply with provisions of the California Code of Regulations, Title 16, as  
13 follows:

14 i. Section 3340.30, subdivision (a): Respondent Blanco Melendrez failed to  
15 inspect and test multiple vehicles in accordance with Health and Safety Code section  
16 44012.

17 ii. Section 3340.41, subdivision (c): Respondent Blanco Melendrez entered false  
18 information into the EIS.

19 iii. Section 3340.42: Respondent Blanco Melendrez failed to conduct the required  
20 smog tests and inspections on multiple vehicles in accordance with the Bureau's  
21 specifications.

22 h. Respondent Blanco Melendrez's smog check inspector license is subject to discipline  
23 pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 44072.2, subdivision (d), in conjunction with Health  
24 and Safety Code section 44072.10, subdivision (c), in that Respondent Blanco Melendrez  
25 committed acts involving dishonesty, fraud or deceit whereby another was injured by issuing  
26 electronic certificates of compliance for those vehicles without performing bona fide inspections  
27 of the emission control devices and systems on multiple vehicles, thereby depriving the People of  
28 the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program.

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**ORDER**

IT IS SO ORDERED that Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Number ARD 294485 and Smog Check, Test-Only, License Number TC 294485 issued to Respondent Jose Raul Blanco, doing business as Movall Smog, is revoked.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Smog Check Inspector License Number EO 643978 issued to Respondent Jose Raul Blanco Melendrez is revoked.

Pursuant to Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), Respondent may serve a written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated and stating the grounds relied on within seven (7) days after service of the Decision on Respondent. The motion should be sent to the Bureau of Automotive Repair, ATTN: Patrick Lutfi, 10949 North Mather Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. The agency in its discretion may vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute.

This Decision shall become effective on February 20, 2026.

It is so ORDERED February 10, 2026.

Signature on file

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GRACE ARUPO RODRIGUEZ  
Assistant Deputy Director  
Division of Legal Affairs  
Department of Consumer Affairs