

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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

V'S SMOG CHECK SHOP; MINH QUANG NGUYEN (OWNER)

143 E. Virginia St. Ste B

San Jose, CA 95112

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 298090

Smog Check Test Only Station License No. TC 298090

MINH QUANG NGUYEN

149 Checkers Dr.

San Jose, CA 95116

Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 639568

Respondents.

Case No. 79/24-5403

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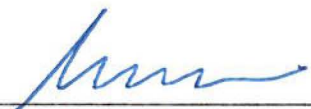
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DECISION

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 April 15, 2026.

IT IS SO ORDERED March 4, 2026.



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STIPULATED REVOCATION OF
LICENSE AND ORDER

15 **Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.**
ARD 298090
16 **Smog Check, Test-Only, Station License No.**
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17 **MINH QUANG NGUYEN**
18 **149 Checkers Dr.**
San Jose, CA 95116

19 **Smog Check Inspector License No. EO**
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20 Respondents.
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22 IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED by the parties to these proceedings that the
23 following matters are true:

24 **PARTIES**

25 1. Patrick Dorais (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair
26 (Bureau), Department of Consumer Affairs. He brought this action solely in his official capacity
27 and is represented in this matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of California, and Gregory
28 Tuss, deputy attorney general.

2. Respondents V's Smog Check Shop; Minh Quang Nguyen (Respondent V's Smog) and Minh Quang Nguyen (Respondent Nguyen) are represented in this proceeding by attorney William Ferreira, whose address is 580 California Street, Suite 1200, San Francisco, California 94104.

3. On September 24, 2020, the Bureau issued Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 298090 to Respondent V's Smog. This automotive repair dealer registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 79/24-5403 and will expire on September 30, 2026, unless renewed.

4. On November 22, 2023, the Bureau issued Smog Check, Test-Only, Station License No. TC 298090 to Respondent V's Smog. The smog check, test-only, station license was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 79/24-5403 and will expire on September 30, 2026, unless renewed.

5. On August 18, 2016, the Bureau issued Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 639568 to Respondent Nguyen. The smog check inspector license was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation 79/24-5403 and will expire on January 31, 2027, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

6. Accusation No. 79/24-5403 was filed before the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs. The accusation and all other statutorily required documents were served on Respondents on December 19, 2024. Respondents filed their notices of defense contesting the accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 79/24-5403 is attached as exhibit 1 and incorporated by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

7. Respondents have carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understand the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 79/24-5403. Respondents also have carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order.

8. Respondents are fully aware of their legal rights in this matter, including the right

1 to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the accusation; the right to confront and cross-
2 examine the witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to testify on their own
3 behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the
4 production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision;
5 and all other rights accorded by the Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

6 9. Respondents voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waive and give up each and
7 every right set forth above.

8 **CULPABILITY**

9 10. Respondents understand that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 79/24-
10 5403, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon their Automotive
11 Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 298090, Smog Check, Test-Only, Station License No. TC
12 298090, and Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 639568.

13 11. For the purpose of resolving the accusation without the expense and uncertainty of
14 further proceedings, Respondents agree that at a hearing Complainant could establish a factual
15 basis for the charges in the accusation and that those charges constitute cause for discipline.
16 Respondents hereby give up their right to contest that cause for discipline exists based on those
17 charges.

18 12. Respondents understand that by signing this stipulation they enable the Director to
19 issue his order accepting the revocation of their Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD
20 298090, Smog Check, Test-Only, Station License No. TC 298090, and Smog Check Inspector
21 License No. EO 639568 without further process.

22 **CONTINGENCY**

23 13. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Director or the Director's
24 designee. Respondents understand and agree that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the
25 Bureau may communicate directly with the Director and staff regarding this stipulation and
26 revocation without notice to or participation by Respondents or their counsel. By signing the
27 stipulation, Respondents understand and agree that they may not withdraw their agreement or
28 seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Director considers and acts upon it. If the

1 Director fails to adopt this stipulation as the decision and order, the Stipulated Revocation and
2 Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible
3 in any legal action between the parties, and the Director shall not be disqualified from further
4 action by having considered this matter.

5 14. The parties understand and agree that portable document format (PDF) and
6 facsimile copies of this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order, including PDF and facsimile
7 signatures, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

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

14 16. In consideration of these admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the
15 Director may without further notice or formal proceeding issue and enter the following order:

16 **ORDER**

17 IT IS ORDERED that Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 298090 and Smog
18 Check, Test-Only, Station License No. TC 298090 issued to Respondent V's Smog, and Smog
19 Check Inspector License No. EO 639568 issued to Respondent Nguyen are revoked and accepted
20 by the Bureau.

21 1. The revocation of Respondents' registration and licenses, and the acceptance of
22 the revoked registration and licenses by the Bureau, shall constitute the imposition of discipline
23 against Respondents. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a
24 part of Respondents' license histories with the Bureau.

25 2. Respondents shall lose all rights and privileges as an automotive repair dealer,
26 smog check, test-only, station, and smog check inspector in California as of the effective date of
27 the Director's decision and order.

28 3. Respondents shall cause to be delivered to the Bureau their pocket licenses and, if

1 issued, wall certificates on or before the effective date of the decision and order.

2 4. If Respondents ever file an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement
3 in the California, the Bureau shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondents must
4 comply with all the laws, regulations, and procedures for licensure in effect at the time the
5 petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 79/24-5403
6 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondents when the Director determines
7 whether to grant or deny the petition.

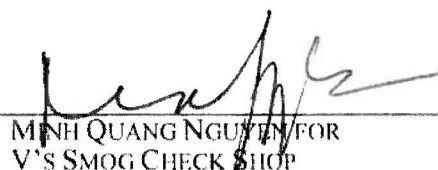
8 5. Respondents shall pay the agency its costs of investigation and enforcement in the
9 amount of \$6,806.25 prior to application.

10 ACCEPTANCE

11 I am authorized to sign on behalf of Respondent V's Smog Check Shop; Minh Quang
12 Nguyen. I have carefully read this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order and have fully
13 discussed it with my attorney, William Ferreira. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will
14 have on my automotive repair dealer registration and smog check, test-only, station license. I
15 enter into this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and
16 intelligently, and agree to be bound by the decision and order of the Director of the Department of
17 Consumer Affairs.

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19 DATED:

JAN-12-2026

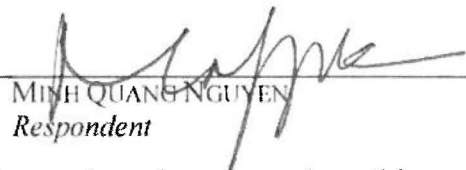


MINH QUANG NGUYEN FOR
V'S SMOG CHECK SHOP
Respondent

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I have carefully read this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney, William Ferreira. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my smog check inspector license. I enter into this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the decision and order of the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

DATED: JAN-12-2026


MINH QUANG NGUYEN
Respondent

I have read and fully discussed with Respondents the terms and conditions and other matters contained in this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order. I approve its form and content.

DATED: 1-30-26


WILLIAM FERREIRA
Attorney for Respondents

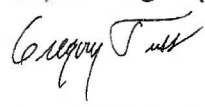
ENDORSEMENT

This Stipulated Revocation of License and Order is submitted for consideration by the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

DATED: 1-30-26

Respectfully submitted,

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