

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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

JORGE STEVEN CEJA, dba EL GORDITO SMOG CHECK

4060 Riverview Dr.

Jurupa Valley, CA 92509

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 299625

Smog Check Test Only Station License No. TC 299625

and

JORGE STEVEN CEJA

1485 N. Eucalyptus Ave.

Rialto, CA 92376

Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 643690

Respondents.

Case No. 79/25-4006

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OAH No. 2025080974

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 June 26, 2026.

IT IS SO ORDERED May 18, 2026.

Original signature on file
GRACE ARUPO RODRIGUEZ
Assistant Deputy Director
Legal Affairs Division
Department of Consumer Affairs

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STIPULATED REVOCATION OF
LICENSE AND ORDER

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

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PARTIES

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2 1. Patrick Dorais (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair
3 (Bureau). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this matter by
4 Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Michael M. Karimi, Deputy Attorney
5 General.

6 2. Respondent Jorge Steven Ceja, dba El Gordito Smog Check (Respondent El Gordito
7 Smog Check) and Respondent Jorge Steven Ceja (Respondent Ceja) (and collectively
8 Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by attorney Stephen T. Allen, whose address is
9 5055 Canyon Crest Drive, Riverside, CA 92507-6015.

10 3. On or about April 27, 2021, the Bureau issued Automotive Dealer Registration No.
11 ARD 299625 to Respondent El Gordito Smog Check. The Automotive Dealer Registration was
12 in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 79/25-4006,
13 and will expire on April 30, 2026, unless renewed.

14 4. On or about June 22, 2021, the Bureau issued Smog Check, Test-Only, Station
15 License No. TC 299625 to Respondent El Gordito Smog Check. The Smog Check, Test-Only,
16 Station License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in
17 Accusation No. 79/25-4006, and will expire on April 30, 2026, unless renewed.

18 5. On or about July 16, 2022, Respondent El Gordito Smog Check was certified as a
19 STAR station. The certification will remain active unless the ARD registration and/or Smog
20 Check Station License is revoked, canceled, becomes delinquent, or the certification is
21 invalidated. On or about March 8, 2024, the STAR certification was suspended.

22 6. On or about May 23, 2022, the Bureau issued Smog Check Inspector License Number
23 EO 643690 to Respondent Ceja. The Smog Check Inspector License was in full force and effect
24 at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on April 30, 2026, unless
25 renewed.

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1 **JURISDICTION**

2 7. Accusation No. 79/25-4006 was filed before the Director of the Department of
3 Consumer Affairs (Director), and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and
4 all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on May 16, 2025.
5 Respondent filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation.

6 8. A copy of Accusation No. 79/25-4006 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated
7 herein by reference.

8 **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

9 9. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the
10 charges and allegations in Accusation No. 79/25-4006. Respondent has also carefully read, fully
11 discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Revocation of License and
12 Order.

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

19 11. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and
20 every right set forth above.

21 **CULPABILITY**

22 12. Respondent understands and agrees that the charges and allegations in Accusation
23 No. 79/25-4006, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon his
24 Automotive Dealer Registration, Smog Check Test-Only Station License, and his Smog Check
25 Inspector License.

26 13. For the purpose of resolving the Accusation without the expense and uncertainty of
27 further proceedings, Respondent agrees that, at a hearing, Complainant could establish a factual
28 basis for the charges in the Accusation, and that those charges constitute cause for discipline.

Respondent hereby gives up his right to contest that cause for discipline exists based on those charges.

14. Respondent agrees that by signing this stipulation he enables the Director to issue an order accepting the revocation of his Automotive Dealer Registration, Smog Check Test-Only Station License, and his Smog Check Inspector License without further process.

CONTINGENCY

15. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Director or the Director's designee. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Bureau of Automotive Repair may communicate directly with the Director and staff of the Department of Consumer Affairs regarding this stipulation and revocation, without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Director considers and acts upon it. If the Director fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision and Order, the Stipulated Revocation of License and Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Director shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

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

17. This Stipulated Revocation of License and 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 Revocation of License and 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.

18. 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:

DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Automotive Dealer Registration No. ARD 299625 and Smog Check, Test-Only Station License No. TC 299625, issued to Jorge Steven Ceja dba El Gordito Smog Check, and Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 643690, issued to Jorge Steven Ceja, are each revoked and accepted by the Bureau.

1. The revocation of Respondent's Automotive Repair Dealer Registration, Smog Check, Test-Only Station License, and Smog Check Inspector License, and the acceptance of the revoked licenses by the Bureau shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Bureau.

2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as an Automotive Repair Dealer, Smog Check, Test-Only Station, and Smog Check Inspector in California as of the effective date of the Director's Decision and Order.

3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Bureau his pocket licenses and, if one was issued, his wall certificates on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.

4. If Respondent ever applies for licensure or petitions for reinstatement in the State of California, the Bureau shall treat it as a new application for licensure. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for licensure in effect at the time the application or petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 79/25-4006 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Director determines whether to grant or deny the application or petition.

5. Respondent may not petition for reinstatement of a revoked license/registration for one year from the effective date of the Director's Decision and Order. Respondent shall pay the agency its costs of investigation and enforcement in the amount of \$6,373.22 prior to application for any license or registration issued by the Bureau.

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ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Revocation of License and Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Stephen T. Allen. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Automotive Dealer Registration, Smog Check, Test-Only Station License, and 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: 3/2/26

Original signature on file

JORGE STEVEN CEJA, DBA EL GORDITO SMOG
CHECK TEST-ONLY STATION
Respondent

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

DATED: 3/1/26

Original signature on file

STEPHEN T. ALLEN
Attorney for Respondent

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: 3/2/26

Respectfully submitted,

ROB BONTA
Attorney General of California
GREGORY J. SALUTE
Supervising Deputy Attorney General

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