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12	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 79/24-17476			
13	JESUS A. OJEDA, DBA SMOG BUSTERS FONTANA	ACCUSATION			
14	8060 Mango Ave. Fontana, CA 92336				
15	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 304994				
16	Smog Check Test Only Station License No. TC 304994				
17	JESUS ALBERTO OJEDA				
18	34878 County Line Rd. Yucaipa, CA 92399				
19	Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 642867				
20	Respondent.				
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23	Patrick Dorais (complainant) brings the state of the	his Accusation solely in his official capacity as			
24	the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair (bu	areau), Department of Consumer Affairs.			
25	2. On or about February 9, 2023, the but	reau issued Automotive Repair Dealer			
26	Registration number ARD 304994 to Jesus A. Ojo	eda, doing business as Smog Busters Fontana			
27	(respondent Ojeda or Smog Busters Fontana). The Automotive Repair Dealer Registration was in				
28	full force and effect at all times relevant to the cha	arges brought herein and will expire on February			
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28, 2026, unless renewed.

- 3. On or about March 22, 2023, respondent Smog Busters Fontana was issued Smog Check Test Only Station License number TC 304994. The Smog Check Test Only Station License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on February 28, 2026, unless renewed.
- 4. On or about July 18, 2023, the bureau certified respondent Smog Busters Fontana as a STAR Station. The STAR Station Certification will remain active unless the Automotive Repair Dealer Registration or Smog Check Test Only Station License is revoked, cancelled, becomes delinquent, or the certification is suspended.
- 5. On or about January 27, 2021, the bureau issued Smog Check Inspector License number EO 642867 to Jesus Alberto Ojeda (respondent Ojeda). The Smog Check Inspector License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on June 30, 2027, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

- 6. This Accusation is brought before the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs (Director) for the Bureau of Automotive Repair, under the authority of the following laws.
- 7. Business and Professions Code (Bus. & Prof. Code) section 118, subdivision (b), provides that suspension, expiration, surrender, or cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Director of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.
- 8. Bus. & Prof. Code section 9884.7 provides that the Director may revoke an automotive repair dealer registration.
- 9. Bus. & Prof. Code section 9884.13 provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a valid registration shall not deprive the Director of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against an automotive repair dealer or to render a decision temporarily or permanently invalidating (suspending or revoking) a registration.
- 10. Health and Safety Code (Health & Saf. Code) section 44002 provides, in pertinent part, that the Director has all the powers and authority granted under the Automotive Repair Act

control system identification data for any vehicle other than the one being tested into the EIS or OIS. Nor shall any person enter into the EIS or OIS any false information about the vehicle being tested

24. CCR, title 16, section 3340.42, sets forth specific emissions test methods and procedures which apply to all vehicles inspected in the State of California.

COST RECOVERY

25. Bus. & Prof. Code section 125.3 provides, in pertinent part, that a Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

CALIFORNIA'S SMOG CHECK PROGRAM

- 26. California's Smog Check Program requires most vehicles in the State to undergo a smog check inspection every two years or when the vehicle's title is transferred.
- 27. A smog check inspection in certain Enhanced areas of the State is an Acceleration Simulation Mode (ASM) test performed using an Emission Inspection System (EIS), also known as a BAR 97. This is a computer based five-gas analyzer that measures Hydrocarbons (HC), Carbon Monoxide (CO), Oxides of Nitrogen (NOx), Carbon Dioxide (CO²) and Oxygen (O²). The first part of the test is a loaded mode test of the vehicle's tailpipe emissions on a dynamometer. The vehicle's drive wheels are placed on rollers, and the vehicle is driven to simulate driving conditions while the emissions are sampled by the EIS.
- 28. In Basic areas of the State, or depending on a vehicle's configuration, a similar test called a Two Speed Idle test is performed, but instead of applying a load to the vehicle's drive wheels with a dynamometer, the EIS measures the emissions of HC, CO, O², and CO² at idle as well as 2500 revolutions per minute (rpm).
- 29. In the visual portion of a smog check, the technician inspects the emission control components to verify that the required emission control devices are present and properly connected.
- 30. An On-Board Diagnostics (OBD II) functional test is also performed on most 1996 to 1999 model year vehicles. The EIS retrieves information through the Diagnostic Link Connector

(DLC) from the vehicle's on-board computer about its ability to communicate, the status of the I/M readiness monitors and the MIL light command. The I/M readiness monitors tell whether or not the OBD II system has run a sufficient number of self-tests on the vehicle's emission and engine control systems. A failure of one or more of the OBD II functional criteria, depending on model year, will result in the vehicle failing its smog check inspection. In addition to reporting the outcome of the OBD II functional test, the smog check inspection results also show Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTC) if there are any in the vehicle's on-board computer memory.

- 31. The inspector enters the results of the visual and functional inspections into the EIS. The EIS unit makes the determination whether or not the vehicle passes the inspection based on the results of the tailpipe, visual and functional tests.
- 32. The EIS is connected by internet connection to Bureau's Vehicle Information

 Database (VID). If the vehicle passes the visual, functional and tailpipe tests, it passes the overall inspection. A Certificate of Compliance is issued and transmitted electronically to the VID.

 Additionally, all data gathered during a Smog Check inspection, regardless of the type of inspection, is transmitted to and retained in the VID.
- 33. Beginning March 9, 2015, California's Smog Check Program was updated to require the use of an On-Board Diagnostic Inspection System (BAR-OIS). BAR-OIS is the smog check equipment required in all areas of the State when inspecting most model-year 2000 and newer gasoline and hybrid vehicles. The system consists of a certified Data Acquisition Device (DAD), computer, bar code scanner, and printer. The DAD is an OBD scan tool that, when requested by the BAR-OIS software, retrieves OBD data from the vehicle. All OBD data that the vehicle indicates it supports is requested by the BAR-OIS software and will be retrieved. The DAD connects between the BAR-OIS computer and the vehicle's DLC. The bar code scanner is used to input inspector information, the vehicle identification number (VIN), and Department of Motor Vehicles renewal information. The printer provides a Vehicle Inspection Report (VIR) containing inspection results for motorists and a Smog Check Certificate of Compliance number for passing vehicles.

- 34. During an OIS inspection, engine operating parameters are retrieved from the vehicle's OBD II system and recorded to the VID. This is accomplished during the functional portion of the OIS Smog Check inspection by plugging the DAD into the vehicle's DLC when prompted by the OIS analyzer screen prompt. Some of the parameters recorded are:
 - Engine speed in revolutions per minute (RPM)
- Throttle position as measured by a throttle position sensor (TPS) mounted onto the throttle shaft. Measured in a percentage of opening from 0% at idle and near or up to 100% at full throttle.
- Manifold absolute pressure as measured by a manifold air pressure sensor (MAP) connected to an intake manifold source, measured in kilo pascals (kpa). Typical readings for a normally aspirated vehicle as follows: 0 kpa being absolute vacuum, 25 to 45 kpa at idle, 101 kpa at full throttle, same as atmospheric pressure at sea level.
- Mass air flow as measured by a mass air flow sensor (MAF) mounted in the engine's air intake tract. Measured in grams per second (gps).
- Ignition timing is set by the vehicle PCM based on engine speed and load, and is measured in degrees Before Top Dead Center (BTDC).

Not all vehicles include both MAP and MAF parameters. Many vehicles will have either MAP or MAF parameters separately.

35. During normal engine operation at idle, engine speed is relatively steady around its target idle speed. With the engine idling, the TPS is steady and at or near 0%. The MAP and/or MAF readings are also steady. For the engine speed to increase, the throttle would have to be opened in order to increase airflow through the engine. The engine's management systems supply fuel and spark timing appropriate to any changes in throttle position and engine speed.

An increase in throttle, measured by the TPS, which increases engine RPM, would result in a corresponding increase in MAF as well as a change in MAP. Any movement in the throttle from the idle position will result in an increase of airflow through the engine with corresponding increases RPM and MAF along with changes in MAP.

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36. During an OIS Smog Check inspection, along with other visual and functional inspections, there is an OBD II query portion of the inspection. The OBD II query is performed with the engine idling and, when requested by the OIS analyzer, and an elevated or increased engine speed. The increase in engine speed is performed by the inspector by stepping on the throttle pedal or manually opening the throttle resulting in a corresponding increase in engine RPMs by allowing an increase in airflow into the engine.

37. The Bureau has become aware of methods that some Smog Check stations and Smog Check inspectors use to fraudulently issue smog certificates to vehicles that may not pass a smog check test on their own, or in some instances, are not even present during the time the test is performed. "Clean plugging" is a method by which another vehicle's OBD II system, or another source such as defeat devices, are used to generate passing data readings or diagnostic information for the purpose of fraudulently issuing smog certificates to vehicles that are not in smog compliance, and or not present for testing. Defeat devices attempt to simulate engine operation during a smog check inspection by transmitting OBD II data to the VID which has been modified or replaced entirely for the purportedly inspected vehicle during the functional portion of the OIS inspection.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

38. On or about October 2, 2024 a bureau representative conducted a detailed review of the VID data for Smog Check inspections performed at Smog Busters Fontana, which showed a pattern of vehicles being certified with engine operating parameters that did not correspond to normal engine operation, confirming the vehicles receiving smog certifications were not tested during the OBD II functional test, which constitutes clean plugging. The Bureau's review of the smog check activities at Smog Busters Fontana confirmed ten Smog Check Certificates of Compliance were fraudulently issued by Smog Busters Fontana to vehicles that were inspected by respondent Ojeda.

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Fraudulent Inspection Number 1—2003 Toyota Corolla CE

- 39. OIS Test Data for Smog Busters Fontana indicates that on or about February 9, 2024, a 2003 Toyota Corolla CE (2003 Corolla), California License number 8RLW558, was tested and Smog Certificate of Compliance number TS589001C was issued under respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License.
- 40. The Dynamic OBDII PID Chart for the 2003 Corolla shows between time stamp 165 and 18727 engine speed is steady at approximately 700 RPM. During this time the throttle is fixed at 11.4% opening, MAF is fixed at 1.96 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is fixed at 15 degrees BTDC. After time stamp 18727 the engine speed accelerates to approximately 1750 RPM. From the time the engine RPM increases off idle to the higher RPMs, the throttle is fixed at the same 11.4% opening, MAF is fixed at the same 1.96 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is also still fixed at the same 15 degrees BTDC.
- 41. During the entire period the dynamic data was collected, the only parameter that changed was engine RPM. The throttle position, MAF, and ignition timing advance readings remained unchanged even though the engine speed was increased. These readings are not characteristic or expected for normal engine operation. These discrepancies confirm that the OIS DAD was not connected to the 2003 Corolla during the certification process as required, thereby confirming this as a fraudulent inspection by way of clean plugging.

Fraudulent Inspection Number 2—2002 Tacoma

- 42. OIS Test Data for Smog Busters Fontana indicates that on or about February 22, 2024, a 2002 Toyota Tacoma Double Cab Prerunner, California license number 6W35461 (2002 Tacoma), was tested and Smog Certificate of Compliance number TS766939C was issued under respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License.
- 43. The Dynamic OBDII PID Chart for the 2002 Tacoma shows between time stamp 165 and 17690 engine speed is steady at approximately 700 RPM. During this time the throttle is fixed at 10.6% opening, MAF is fixed at 3.53 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is fixed at 15.5 degrees BTDC. After time stamp 17690 the engine speed accelerates to approximately 2250 RPM before decelerating to approximately 1900 RPM. From the time the

engine RPM increases off idle to the higher RPMs, the throttle is fixed at the same 10.6% opening, MAF is fixed at the same 3.53 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is also still fixed at the same 15.5 degrees BTDC.

44. During the entire period the dynamic data was collected, the only parameter that changed was engine RPM. The throttle position, MAF, and ignition timing advance readings remained unchanged even though the engine speed was increased. These readings are not characteristic or expected for normal engine operation. These discrepancies confirm that the OIS DAD was not connected to the 2002 Tacoma during the certification process as required, thereby confirming this as a fraudulent inspection by way of clean plugging.

Fraudulent Inspection #3—2000 Mercedes-Benz

- 45. OIS Test Data for Smog Busters Fontana indicates that on or about February 24, 2024, a 2000 Mercedes-Benz E 320, California License number 4MWL177 (2000 Mercedes-Benz) was tested and Smog Certificate of Compliance number IZ181009C was issued under respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License.
- 46. The Dynamic OBDII PID Chart for the 2000 Mercedes-Benz shows between time stamp 247 and 17540 engine speed is steady at approximately 700 RPM. During this time the throttle is fixed at 3.9% opening, MAF is fixed at 2.22 gps, MAP is fixed at 28 kPa, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is fixed at -17.5 degrees BTDC. After time stamp 17540 the engine speed accelerates to approximately 2400 RPM before decelerating to approximately 1650 RPM. From the time the engine RPM increases off idle to the higher RPMs, the throttle is fixed at the same 3.9% opening, MAF is fixed at the same 2.22 gps, MAP is fixed at the same 28 kPa, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is also still fixed at the same -17.5 degrees BTDC.
- 47. During the entire period the dynamic data was collected, the only parameter that changed was engine RPM. The throttle position, MAF, MAP, and ignition timing advance readings remained unchanged even though the engine speed was increased. These readings are not characteristic or expected for normal engine operation. These discrepancies confirm that the OIS DAD was not connected to the 2000 Mercedes-Benz during the certification process as required, thereby confirming this as a fraudulent inspection by way of clean plugging.

Fraudulent Inspection #4—2001 Toyota Echo

- 48. OIS Test Data for Smog Busters Fontana indicates that on or about February 24, 2024, a 2001 Toyota Echo, California License number 8PCG502 (2001 Echo) was tested and Smog Certificate of Compliance number IZ181016C was issued under respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License.
- 49. The Dynamic OBDII PID Chart for the 2001 Echo shows between time stamp 1884 and 19525 engine speed is steady at approximately 700 RPM. During this time the throttle is fixed at 11.4% opening, MAF is fixed at 2.34 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is fixed at 7 degrees BTDC. After time stamp 19525 the engine speed accelerates to approximately 2050 RPM before decelerating to approximately 1750 RPM. From the time the engine RPM increases off idle to the higher RPMs, the throttle is fixed at the same 11.4% opening, MAF is fixed at the same 2.34 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is also still fixed at the same 7 degrees BTDC.
- 50. During the entire period the dynamic data was collected, the only parameter that changed was engine RPM. The throttle position, MAF, and ignition timing advance readings remained unchanged even though the engine speed was increased. These readings are not characteristic or expected for normal engine operation. These discrepancies confirm that the OIS DAD was not connected to the 2001 Echo during the certification process as required, thereby confirming this as a fraudulent inspection by way of clean plugging.

Fraudulent Inspection #5—2005 Toyota Corolla CE

- 51. OIS Test Data for Smog Busters Fontana indicates that on or about February 27, 2024, a 2005 Toyota Corolla CE, California License number 8ZKB365 (2005 Corolla), was tested and Smog Certificate of Compliance number IZ181035C was issued under respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License.
- 52. The Dynamic OBDII PID Chart for the 2005 Corolla shows between time stamp 152 and 21844 engine speed is steady at approximately 725 RPM. During this time the throttle is fixed at 16.1% opening, MAF is fixed at 2.2 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is fixed at 15 degrees BTDC. After time stamp 21844 the engine speed accelerates to

approximately 2050 RPM before decelerating to approximately 1875 RPM. From the time the engine RPM increases off idle to the higher RPMs, the throttle is fixed at the same 16.1% opening, MAF is fixed at the same 2.2 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is also still fixed at the same 15 degrees BTDC.

53. During the entire period the dynamic data was collected, the only parameter that changed was engine RPM. The throttle position, MAF, and ignition timing advance readings remained unchanged even though the engine speed was increased. These readings are not characteristic or expected for normal engine operation. These discrepancies confirm that the OIS DAD was not connected to the 2005 Corolla during the certification process as required, thereby confirming this as a fraudulent inspection by way of clean plugging.

Fraudulent Inspection #6—2002 Mitsubishi Galant ES

- 54. OIS Test Data for Smog Busters Fontana indicates that on or about February 28, 2024, a 2002 Mitsubishi Galant ES, California License number 7SGK061 (2002 Galant), was tested and Smog Certificate of Compliance number IZ181048C was issued under respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License.
- 55. The Dynamic OBDII PID Chart for the 2002 Galant shows between time stamp 203 and 18241 engine speed is steady at approximately 725 RPM. During this time the throttle is fixed at 0% opening, MAF is fixed at 2.57 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is fixed at 8 degrees BTDC. After time stamp 18241 the engine speed accelerates to approximately 2050 RPM before decelerating to approximately 1900 RPM. From the time the engine RPM increases off idle to the higher RPMs, the throttle is fixed at the same 0% opening, MAF is fixed at the same 2.57 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is also still fixed at the same 8 degrees BTDC.
- 56. During the entire period the dynamic data was collected, the only parameter that changed was engine RPM. The throttle position, MAF, and ignition timing advance readings remained unchanged even though the engine speed was increased. These readings are not characteristic or expected for normal engine operation. These discrepancies confirm that the OIS DAD was not connected to the 2002 Galant during the certification process as required, thereby

confirming this as a fraudulent inspection by way of clean plugging.

Fraudulent Inspection #7—2002 Toyota Camry LE

- 57. OIS Test Data for Smog Busters Fontana indicates that on or about April 1, 2024, a 2002 Toyota Camry LE, California License number 9HTM516 (2002 Camry) was tested and Smog Certificate of Compliance number TU747082C was issued under respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License.
- 58. The Dynamic OBDII PID Chart for the 2002 Camry shows between time stamp 151 and 19983 engine speed is steady at approximately 975 RPM. During this time the throttle is fixed at 15.7% opening, MAF is fixed at 2.37 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is fixed at 15 degrees BTDC. After time stamp 19983 the engine speed accelerates to approximately 1500 RPM. From the time the engine RPM increases off idle to the higher RPMs, the throttle is fixed at the same 15.7% opening, MAF is fixed at the same 2.37 gps, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is also still fixed at the same 15 degrees BTDC.
- 59. During the entire period the dynamic data was collected, the only parameter that changed was engine RPM. The throttle position, MAF, and ignition timing advance readings remained unchanged even though the engine speed was increased. These readings are not characteristic or expected for normal engine operation. These discrepancies confirm that the OIS DAD was not connected to the 2002 Camry during the certification process as required, thereby confirming this as a fraudulent inspection by way of clean plugging.

Fraudulent Inspection #8—2000 Chevrolet Tahoe C1500

- 60. OIS Test Data for Smog Busters Fontana indicates that on or about April 2, 2024, a 2000 Chevrolet Tahoe C1500, California License number 6LDL773 (2000 Tahoe) was tested and Smog Certificate of Compliance number TU747085C was issued under respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License.
- 61. The Dynamic OBDII PID Chart for the 2000 Tahoe shows between time stamp 53 and 67481 engine speed is steady at approximately 675 RPM. During this time the throttle is fixed at 0% opening, MAF is fixed at 6.21 gps, MAP is fixed at 34 kPa, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is fixed at 23 degrees BTDC. After time stamp 67481 the engine speed

accelerates to approximately 1775 RPM before decelerating to approximately 1650 RPM. From the time the engine RPM increases off idle to the higher RPMs, the throttle is fixed at the same 0% opening, MAF is fixed at the same 6.21 gps, MAP is fixed at the same 34 kPa, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is also still fixed at the same 23 degrees BTDC.

62. During the entire period the dynamic data was collected, the only parameter that changed was engine RPM. The throttle position, MAF, MAP, and ignition timing advance readings remained unchanged even though the engine speed was increased. These readings are not characteristic or expected for normal engine operation. These discrepancies confirm that the OIS DAD was not connected to the 2000 Tahoe during the certification process as required, thereby confirming this as a fraudulent inspection by way of clean plugging.

Fraudulent Inspection #9—2002 GMC Yukon XL C1500

- 63. OIS Test Data for Smog Busters Fontana indicates that on or about April 6, 2024, a 2002 GMC Yukon XL C1500, California License number 4VGB808 (2002 Yukon) was tested and Smog Certificate of Compliance number TU902430C was issued under licensed respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License.
- 64. The Dynamic OBDII PID Chart for the 2002 Yukon shows between time stamp 42 and 21678 engine speed is steady at approximately 700 RPM. During this time the throttle is fixed at 3.9% opening, MAF is fixed at 4.54 gps, MAP is fixed at 36 kPa, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is fixed at 21.5 degrees BTDC. After time stamp 21678 the engine speed accelerates to approximately 1400 RPM. From the time the engine RPM increases off idle to the higher RPMs, the throttle is fixed at the same 3.9% opening, MAF is fixed at the same 4.54 gps, MAP is fixed at the same 36 kPa, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is also still fixed at the same 21.5 degrees BTDC.
- 65. During the entire period the dynamic data was collected, the only parameter that changed was engine RPM. The throttle position, MAF, MAP, and ignition timing advance readings remained unchanged even though the engine speed was increased. These readings are not characteristic or expected for normal engine operation. These discrepancies confirm that the OIS DAD was not connected to the 2002 Yukon during the certification process as required,

thereby confirming this as a fraudulent inspection by way of clean plugging.

Fraudulent Inspection #10—2000 Honda Civic EX

- 66. OIS Test Data for Smog Busters Fontana indicates that on or about April 11, 2024, a 2000 Honda Civic EX, California License number 5UDV744 (2000 Civic) was tested and Smog Certificate of Compliance number TW111862C was issued under respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License.
- 67. The Dynamic OBDII PID Chart for the 2000 Civic shows between time stamp 154 and 25590 engine speed is steady at approximately 700 RPM. During this time the throttle is fixed at 9% opening, MAP is fixed at 45 kPa, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is fixed at 9.5 degrees BTDC. After time stamp 25590 the engine speed accelerates to approximately 1650 RPM. From the time the engine RPM increases off idle to the higher RPMs, the throttle is fixed at the same 9% opening, MAP is fixed at the same 45 kPa, and the ignition timing advance for #1 cylinder is also still fixed at the same 9.5 degrees BTDC.
- 68. During the entire period the dynamic data was collected, the only parameter that changed was engine RPM. The throttle position, MAP, and ignition timing advance readings remained unchanged even though the engine speed was increased. These readings are not characteristic or expected for normal engine operation. These discrepancies confirm that the OIS DAD was not connected to the 2000 Civic during the certification process as required, thereby confirming this as a fraudulent inspection by way of clean plugging.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Untrue of Misleading Statements)

69. Respondent Ojeda's Automotive Repair Dealer Registration is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Bus. & Prof. Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), in that he made statements which were known to be untrue or misleading or, which by exercise of reasonable care should have been known to be untrue or misleading, by issuing electronic smog certificates of compliance for the ten vehicles set forth in paragraphs 39–68 above, certifying that those vehicles were in compliance with applicable laws and regulations when, in fact, those vehicles had not been so inspected. Complainant realleges paragraphs 39–68 above.

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SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Fraud)

70. Respondent Ojeda's Automotive Repair Dealer Registration is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Bus. & Prof. Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), in that he committed acts that constitute fraud by issuing electronic certificates of compliance to the ten vehicles set forth in paragraphs 39–68 above without performing bone fide inspections of the emission control devices and systems on those vehicles, thereby depriving the People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program. Complainant realleges paragraphs 39–68 above.

THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Material Violation of Automotive Repair Act)

71. Respondent Ojeda's Automotive Repair Dealer Registration is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Bus. & Prof. Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(6), in that he failed in a material respect to comply with the provisions of this chapter or regulations adopted pursuant to it when he issued electronic certificates of compliance for the ten vehicles set forth in paragraphs 39–68 above without performing bona fide inspections of the emission control devices and systems on those vehicles, thereby depriving the People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program. Complainant realleges paragraphs 39–68 above.

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Violations of the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program)

- 72. Respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Test Only Station License is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Health & Saf. Code section 44072.2, subdivision (a), in that he failed to comply with the following sections of that Code:
- a. <u>Section 44012</u>: Respondent failed to ensure that the emission control tests were performed on the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.
 - b. Section 44015, subdivision (b): Respondent issued electronic smog certificates of

compliance to the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above without properly testing and inspecting those vehicles to determine if they were in compliance with Health & Saf. Code section 44012.

Complainant realleges paragraphs 39–68 above.

FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Failure to Comply with Regulations Pursuant

to the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program)

- 73. Respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Test Only Station License is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Health & Saf. Code section 44072.2, subdivision (c), in that he failed to comply with provisions of California Code of Regulations, title 16, as follows:
- a. <u>Section 3340.24, subdivision (c):</u> Respondent falsely or fraudulently issued electronic smog certificates of compliance for the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above.
- b. <u>Section 3340.30, subdivision (a)</u>: Respondent failed to inspect and test the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above in accordance with Health & Saf. Code sections 44012 and 44035, and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.42.
- c. <u>Section 3340.35, subdivision (c)</u>: Respondent issued electronic smog certificates of compliance ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above even though those vehicles had not been inspected in accordance with section 3340.42.
- d. <u>Section 3340.42</u>: Respondent failed to ensure that the smog inspections conducted on the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above were done in accordance with the Bureau's specifications.

Complainant realleges paragraphs 39–68 above.

SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Dishonesty, Fraud or Deceit)

74. Respondent Ojed's Smog Check Test Only Station License is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Health & Saf. Code section 44072.2, subdivision (d), in conjunction with Health & Saf. Code section 44072.10, subdivision (c), in that he committed dishonest, fraudulent,

or deceitful acts whereby another was injured by issuing electronic smog certificates of compliance for the ten vehicles described in paragraphs 39–68 above without performing bona fide inspections of the emission control devices and systems on those vehicles, thereby depriving the People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program. Complainant realleges paragraphs 39–68 above.

SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Violations of the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program)

- 75. Respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Health & Saf. Code section 44072.2, subdivision (a), in that he failed to comply with the following sections of that code:
- a. <u>Section 44032</u>: Respondent failed to perform tests of emission control devices and systems of the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above in accordance with Health & Saf. Code section 44012.
- b. <u>Section 44015, subdivision (b)</u>: Respondent caused electronic smog certificates of compliance to be issued for the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above without ensuring that they were properly tested and inspected to determine if they were in compliance with Health & Saf. Code section 44012.

Complainant realleges paragraphs 39–68 above.

EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Failure to Comply with Regulations Pursuant

to the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program)

- 76. Respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Health & Saf. Code section 44072.2, subdivision (c), in that he failed to comply with provisions of California Code of Regulations, title 16, as follows:
- a. <u>Section 3340.24, subdivision (c)</u>: Respondent falsely or fraudulently issued electronic smog certificates of compliance for the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above.
 - b. Section 3340.30, subdivision (a): Respondent failed to inspect and test the ten

vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above in accordance with Health & Saf. Code sections 44012 and 44035, and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.42.

- c. <u>Section 3340.41, subdivision (c)</u>: Respondent knowingly entered false information into the emissions inspection system for the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above.
- d. <u>Section 3340.42</u>: Respondent failed to ensure that the smog inspections conducted on the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above were done in accordance with the bureau's specifications.

Complainant realleges paragraphs 39–68 above.

NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Dishonesty, Fraud or Deceit)

77. Respondent Ojeda's Smog Check Inspector License is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Health & Saf. Code section 44072.2, subdivision (d), in conjunction with Health & Saf. Code section 44072.10, subdivision (c), in that he committed dishonest, fraudulent, or deceitful acts whereby another was injured by issuing electronic smog certificates of compliance for the ten vehicles identified in paragraphs 39–68 above without performing bona fide inspections of the emission control devices and systems on those vehicles, thereby depriving the People of the State of California of the protection afforded by the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program. Complainant realleges paragraphs 39–68 above.

OTHER MATTERS

- 78. Pursuant to Bus. & Prof. Code section 9884.7, subdivision (c), the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs (director) may suspend, revoke, or place on probation the registration for all places of business operated in this state by respondent Ojeda upon a finding that he has, or is, engaged in a course of repeated and willful violations of the laws and regulations pertaining to an automotive repair dealer.
- 79. Pursuant to Health & Saf. Code section 44072.8, if Smog Check Test Only Station License No. TC 304994, issued to respondent Ojeda, is revoked or suspended, any additional license issued under Chapter 5 of Part 5 of Division 26 of the Health & Saf. Code in the name of said licensee may be likewise revoked or suspended by the director.

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