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BUREAU OF AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR INITIATES DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST NINE SMOG CHECK STATIONS ENGAGED IN FRAUD

Smog Check stations caught using “clean gassing” to issue fraudulent certificates

SACRAMENTO, CA – The Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR) has filed, for prosecution by the Attorney General’s Office, accusations against nine Smog Check stations because investigations showed them to be issuing fraudulent certificates.

Through analysis of Smog Check Program data, BAR investigators detected the Smog Check stations to be engaged in the practice of “clean gassing.”

“Clean gassing” is the act of introducing a surrogate gas into a test vehicle’s exhaust emissions sample to fool the inspection system into passing that vehicle. This fraudulent activity undermines the integrity of the Smog Check Program and threatens the air quality for all Californians.

The accusations allege numerous violations of the Automotive Repair Act, including fraud, false and misleading statements, and violations of the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program.

License information and links to the accusations for each station are available in the following table.

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Station/Business Name Click the link to access the accusation.	License Number	City
El Nene Test Only	280412	Fontana
El Toro Test Only	280500	Mira Loma
Hermanos Test Only	267653	Highland
Los Paisanos Test Only	276883	Riverside
Mario Test Only	273983	Ontario
One Stop Test Only	266963	Rialto
Pro Stop Test Only	265779	San Bernardino
Riverview Smog Check	288861	Riverside
Sierra Madre Test Only	285983	Bloomington

To view additional license and/or public record information, visit the Department of Consumer Affairs' [License Search](#) page at www.dca.ca.gov.

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ABOUT THE BUREAU OF AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR: The California Bureau of Automotive Repair's primary mission is to protect and serve California consumers through effective regulation of the automotive repair and Smog Check industry. Consumers can file automotive repair complaints by contacting the Bureau at (800) 952-5210. Consumers may also file a complaint online at www.bar.ca.gov.

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