

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-161-73

Relating to Exemptions Under Section 27156
of the Vehicle Code

Gale Banks Engineering
PowerPack and TorqueTube Exhaust Systems

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Air Resources Board by Section 27156 of the Vehicle Code; and

Pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned by Section 39515 and Section 39516 of the Health and Safety Code and Executive Order G-02-003;

IT IS ORDERED AND RESOLVED: That the installation of the PowerPack and TorqueTube Exhaust Systems, manufactured and marketed by Gale Banks Engineering, 546 Duggan Avenue, Azusa, California 91702 has been found not to reduce the effectiveness of the applicable vehicle pollution control system and, therefore, is exempt from the prohibitions of Section 27156 of the Vehicle Code for applicable 1996 through 2000 General Motors trucks and engines as listed in Exhibit A.

TorqueTube Exhaust System for General Motors consists of a pair of 16 gage stainless steel, long tube style headers with a connecting pipe and EGR adapter tube.

PowerPack Exhaust System for General Motors consists of a pair of 16 gage stainless steel, long tube style headers with a connecting pipe, EGR adapter tube, replacement air filter cartridge and an exhaust system downstream of the catalytic converter.

This Executive Order shall not apply to any PowerPack and TorqueTube Exhaust Systems advertised, offered for sale, sold with, or installed on a new motor vehicle prior to or concurrent with transfer to an ultimate purchaser.

This Executive Order is valid provided that the installation instructions for the PowerPack and TorqueTube Exhaust Systems will not recommend tuning the vehicle to specifications different from those of the vehicle manufacturer.

Changes made to the design or operating conditions of the PowerPack and TorqueTube Exhaust Systems, as exempt by the Air Resources Board, which adversely affect the performance of the vehicle's pollution control system shall invalidate this Executive Order.

Marketing of the PowerPack and TorqueTube Exhaust Systems using any identification other than that shown in this Executive Order or marketing of the PowerPack and TorqueTube Exhaust Systems for an application other than those listed in this Executive Order shall be prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from the Air Resources Board.

Exemption of the PowerPack and TorqueTube Exhaust Systems shall not be construed as exemption to sell, offer for sale, or advertise any component of the kit as an individual device.

This Executive Order does not constitute any opinion as to the effect the use of the PowerPack and TorqueTube Exhaust Systems may have on any warranty either expressed or implied by the vehicle manufacturer.

This Executive Order is granted based on prior evaluation which determined that Gale Banks Engineering's PowerPack and TorqueTube Exhaust Systems does not cause an adverse effect on emissions of the selected vehicles (D-161-68), nor does it affect the vehicles' ability to perform On-Board Diagnostic II (OBD II) system monitoring.

The ARB reserves the right in the future to review this Executive Order and the exemption provided herein to assure that the exempted add-on or modified part continues to meet the standards and procedures of Title 13, California Code of Regulations, Section 2222, et seq.

THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CERTIFICATION, ACCREDITATION, APPROVAL, OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF ENDORSEMENT BY THE AIR RESOURCES BOARD OF ANY CLAIMS OF THE APPLICANT CONCERNING ANTI-POLLUTION BENEFITS OR ANY ALLEGED BENEFITS OF GALE BANKS ENGINEERING'S POWERPACK AND TORQUETUBE EXHAUST SYSTEMS.

No claim of any kind, such as "Approved by the Air Resources Board", may be made with respect to the action taken herein in any advertising or other oral or written communication.

Violation of any of the above conditions shall be grounds for revocation of this order. The order may be revoked only after a ten-day written notice of intention to revoke the order, in which period the holder of the order may request in writing a hearing to contest the proposed revocation. If a hearing is requested, it shall be held within ten days of receipt of the request and the order may not be revoked until a determination is made after the hearing that grounds for revocation exist.

Executed at El Monte, California, this 29TH day of March 2004.



Allen Lyons, Chief
Mobile Source Operations Division

Exhibit A**D-161-73**

TorqueTube exhaust manifolds for the following vehicles:

Chevy/GMC Truck	Vehicle	Model Year	Part Number
5.7L (350) V8 Vortec	Suburban/Tahoe/Yukon	1996-99	48206
5.7L (350) V8 Vortec	Pickup, Heavy Duty	1996-99	48207
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup/Suburban, HD, non air injected	1996-2000	48301
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup/Suburban, HD, air injected	1996-2000	48302

PowerPack exhaust systems for the following vehicles:

Chevy/GMC Truck	Vehicle	Model Year	Part Number
5.7L (350) V8 Vortec	Pickup, LD, Standard Cab, Short Bed	1996-99	48275
5.7L (350) V8 Vortec	Pickup, LD, Extended Cab, Short Bed	1996-99	48279
5.7L (350) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, Standard Cab, Long Bed	1996-99	48278
5.7L (350) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, Extended Cab, Short Bed	1996-99	48282
5.7L (350) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, Extended Cab, Long Bed	1996-99	48283
5.7L (350) V8 Vortec	Suburban	1996-99	48272
5.7L (350) V8 Vortec	Tahoe/Yukon	1996-99	48273, 48274
5.7L (350) V8 Vortec	Tahoe/Yukon	1996-99	48280, 48284

Chevy/GMC Truck	Vehicle	Trans	Model Year	Part Number
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, air injected, Standard Cab	AT	1996-2000	48353
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, air injected, Standard Cab	MT	1996-2000	48361
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, air injected, Extended Cab, Short Bed	AT	1996-2000	48367
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, air injected, Extended Cab, Short Bed	MT	1996-2000	48369
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, air injected, Extended Cab, Long Bed	AT	1996-2000	48354
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, air injected, Extended Cab, Long Bed	MT	1996-2000	48362
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, air injected, Crew Cab, Long Bed	AT	1996-2000	48355

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Chevy/GMC Truck	Vehicle	Trans	Model Year	Part Number
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, air injected, Crew Cab, Long Bed	MT	1996-2000	48363
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, non air injected, Standard Cab	AT	1996-2000	48350
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, non air injected, Standard Cab	MT	1996-2000	48356
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, non air injected, Extended Cab, Short Bed	AT	1996-2000	48366
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, non air injected, Extended Cab, Short Bed	MT	1996-2000	48368
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, non air injected, Extended Cab, Long Bed	AT	1996-2000	48351
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, non air injected, Extended Cab, Long Bed	MT	1996-2000	48357
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, non air injected, Crew Cab, Long Bed	AT	1996-2000	48352
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Pickup, HD, non air injected, Crew Cab, Long Bed	MT	1996-2000	48358
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Suburban, air injected	All	1996-2000	48360
7.4L (454) V8 Vortec	Suburban, non air injected	All	1996-2000	48359