State of California AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-253-3
Relating to Exemptions Under Section 27156
of the Vehicle Code

FUEL EFFICIENCY SYSTEMS, INC. THERMAL-CHARGER

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

Pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned by Sections 39515 and 39516 of the Health and Safety Code and Executive Order G-45-9;

IT IS ORDERED AND RESOLVED: That the installation of the Thermal-Charger, manufactured by Fuel Efficiency Systems, Inc. of 4007 Pretense Court, Fair Oaks, California 95628, has been found not to reduce the effectiveness of the required vehicle pollution control system, and therefore, the Thermal-Charger is exempt from the prohibitions of Section 27156 of the Vehicle Code for installation on 1996 and older model-year heavy-duty diesel-powered motor vehicles.

This exemption shall not apply to any device, apparatus, or mechanism advertised, offered for sale or sold with, or installed on, a motor vehicle prior to or concurrent with transfer to an ultimate purchaser.

This Executive Order (Order) is valid provided that installation instructions for the device will not recommend tuning the vehicle to specifications different from those submitted by the device manufacturer.

Changes made to the design or operating conditions of the device, as exempt by the ARB, which adversely affect the performance of a vehicle's pollution control system shall invalidate this Executive Order.

Marketing of the device using an identification other than that shown in this Executive Order or marketing of the device for an application other than those listed in this Executive Order shall be prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from the ARB. Exemption of a kit shall not be construed as an exemption to sell, offer for sale, or advertise any component of a kit as an individual device.

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

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 FUEL EFFICIENCY SYSTEMS, INC.'S THERMAL-CHARGER.

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 after hearing that grounds for revocation exist.

Executive Order No. D-253-2, dated April 26, 1994, is superseded and is of no further force and effect.

Executed at El Monte, California, this 23 da

R. B. Summerfield /

Assistant Division Chief Mobile Source Division

of August 1995.