

State of California  
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-280-1  
Relating to Exemptions Under Section 27156  
of the Vehicle Code

AIRTEK, INC.  
"NEW AFTERMARKET CATALYTIC CONVERTERS"

WHEREAS, Vehicle Code Section 27156 and Title 13 California Code of Regulations (hereafter "CCR") Section 2222(h), authorize the California Air Resources Board (ARB) and its Executive Officer to exempt new aftermarket catalytic converters from the prohibitions in Vehicle Code Sections 27156 and 38391.

WHEREAS, AirTek, Inc. of 1900 East Ridge Road, Hobart, Indiana 46342, has applied to the ARB for exemption from the prohibitions in Vehicle Code Sections 27156 and 38391 for their new aftermarket converters listed in Exhibit A which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority vested in the Executive Officer by Health and Safety Code Section 39515 and in the Chief, Mobile Source Division by Health and Safety Code Section 39516 and Executive Order G-45-5, the ARB finds that the above aftermarket catalytic converters comply with the California Vehicle Code Sections 27156 and 38391, and Title 13, California Code of Regulations, Section 2222(h). Emission performance of the catalytic converters was based on durability mileage accumulation of 25,000 miles using the AMA durability driving schedule (Reference Appendix IV, Title 40, Part 86, Code of Federal Regulations (June 28, 1977)).

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the above catalytic converters are exempt from the prohibitions in Vehicle Code Sections 27156 and 38391 for installation on applicable vehicles subject to the following conditions:

1. No changes are permitted to the catalytic converters as described in the application for exemption. Any changes to the catalytic converters or any of their components, applicable model year, or other factors addressed in this order must be evaluated and approved by the ARB prior to marketing in California.
2. Marketing of the converters using identifications other than those shown in the exemption application or marketing of the catalytic converters for vehicle applications other than the ones listed in this order shall be prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from the ARB. Exemption of these products shall not be construed as an exemption to sell, offer for sale, or advertise any components of the catalytic converters as individual devices.

3. Any oral or written references to this Executive Order or its content by AirTek, Inc., its principals, agents, employees, distributors, dealers, or other representatives must include the disclaimer that the Executive Order or the exemption it provides is not an endorsement or approval of any emissions reduction claims for the catalytic converters and is only a finding that the catalytic converters are exempt from the prohibitions of Vehicle Code Sections 27156 and 38391.
4. Upon installation, the catalytic converters must carry a manufacturer's warranty for 25,000 miles on the substrates and 50,000 miles or five years on the shell.

Violation of any of the above conditions shall be grounds for revocation of this order. The order may be revoked only after ten day written notice of intention to revoke it, during 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.

Executive Order No. D-280 dated September 22, 1992, is hereby superseded and of no further force and effect.

Executed at El Monte, California, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 1994.



R.B. Summerfield  
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EXHIBIT A

AIRTEK, INC. CATALYTIC CONVERTERS

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<u>Converter Type</u>	<u>Application</u> <u>+(Eng. Size/ETW)</u>	<u>Series Numbers</u>
OC, TWC, TWC + OC	5.0L/4500 LBS.	4000 (incorporates series 2000 & 3000)
TWC + OC	5.0L/4500 LBS.	5700
TWC + OC (as OC)	7.5L/7000 LBS.	7000
TWC + OC (as TWC)	5.7L/6000 LBS.	8000 (Carry-over of 7000)
TWC + OC	5.9L/6000 LBS.	9000 (Carry-over of 7000)

+ETW = Equivalent Test Weight