

State of California  
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-399-1  
Relating to Exemptions Under Section 27156  
of the Vehicle Code

HERMOFF MANUFACTURING COMPANY LTD.  
"THREE-WAY PLUS OXIDATION CATALYTIC CONVERTER"

WHEREAS, Vehicle Code Sections 27156 and 38391, 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 converter from the prohibitions of Vehicle Code Section 27156.

WHEREAS, Hermoff Manufacturing Company Ltd. (Hermoff) of Rural Route No. 6, Hagersville, Ontario, Canada NOA 1HO, has applied to the ARB for exemption from the prohibitions in Vehicle Code Sections 27156 to market their aftermarket three-way plus oxidation catalytic converter (TWC + OC) for the following application:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Use</u>	<u>PN/Series No.</u>	<u>Max. Eng. Size</u>	<u>Max. Test Veh. Wt.</u>
TWC + OC	TWC + OC	800	5.0L (302 CID)	4,250 lbs.
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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-45-9, the ARB finds that the above aftermarket catalytic converter complies with the California Vehicle Code Section 27156 and Title 13, California Code of Regulations, Section 2222(h). Emission performance of the catalytic converter was based on durability bench-aging using Degussa Corporation's bench-aging procedure No. 100 in lieu of 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 converter is exempt from the prohibitions in Vehicle Code Section 27156 for installation on the approved application vehicles subject to the following conditions:

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