

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-436-7
Relating to Exemptions Under Section 27156
of the Vehicle Code

STEVE MILLEN SPORTPARTS, INC.
SUPERCHARGER, MODEL #V-1
PART NO. 407000

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 installation of supercharger, model #V-1, part no. 407000, manufactured by Steve Millen Sportparts, Inc. of 3176 Airway Avenue, Costa Mesa, California 92626, with a maximum boost of 6.0 psi has been found not to reduce the effectiveness of the applicable vehicle pollution control system, and therefore, the supercharger, is exempt from the prohibitions of Section 27156 of the Vehicle Code for installation on 1996-1998 model-year 3.0 liter Infiniti I30's.

The supercharger kit includes the following main components: Vortech supercharger, auxiliary fuel pump and fuel pressure regulator, intake tubes and air filter, and all the necessary hardware needed for installation. The kit also includes a 3.60" diameter supercharger pulley.

This exemption is based on an emission test conducted by Steve Millen Sportparts, Inc. on a 1998 model-year 3.0 liter Nissan Maxima. Steve Millen Sportparts, Inc. submitted the following Cold-Start CVS-75 Federal Test Procedure emission results:

	NMHC	CO	NO _x
	<u>(grams per mile)</u>		
With Supercharger	0.101	0.748	0.318
DF-Applied	0.118	0.948	0.343
50,000 Mile Standards	0.25	3.4	0.4

The test data show that the supercharger did not adversely affect the exhaust emissions of the 1998 model-year Nissan Maxima. The same emissions impact is expected when the supercharger is installed on all of the vehicles for which the exemption is requested. However, the ARB finds that

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reasonable grounds exist to believe that use of the supercharger may adversely affect the emissions of motor vehicles when operating under conditions outside the parameters of the previously prescribed test procedures. Accordingly, the ARB reserves the right to conduct additional emission tests in the future as such tests are developed that will more adequately measure emissions from all cycle phases. If such test results demonstrate that the supercharger adversely affects emissions during off-cycle conditions (defined as those conditions which are beyond the parameters of the Cold-Start CVS-75 Federal Test Procedure), this Executive Order shall be effectively rescinded as of the date the test results are validated. Further, if such test results or other evidence provides the ARB with reason to suspect that the supercharger will affect the durability of the emission control system, Steve Millen Sportparts, Inc. shall be required to submit durability data to show that the durability of the vehicle emission control system is not, in fact, affected and/or that the add-on or modified part demonstrates adequate durability.

In addition to the foregoing, 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 California Code of Regulations, Title 13, Section 2222, et seq.

This Executive Order is valid provided that installation instructions for the supercharger not recommend tuning the vehicle to specifications different from those of the vehicle manufacturer.

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

Marketing of the supercharger using identification other than that shown in this Executive Order or for an application other than those listed in this Executive Order shall be prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from the ARB.

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

This Executive Order shall not apply to any supercharger 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 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 STEVE MILLEN SPORTPARTS, INC.'S SUPERCHARGER, MODEL #V-1, PART NO. 407000.

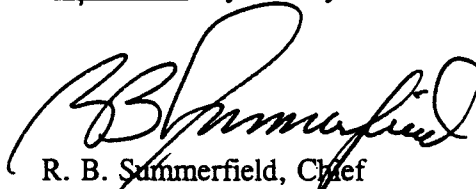
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No claim of any kind, such as "Approved by the Air Resources Board," may be made with respect to the action taken herein in any advertising or other oral or written communication.

Violation of any of the above conditions shall be grounds for revocation of this Executive Order. The Executive Order may be revoked only after a ten-day written notice of intention to revoke the Executive Order, in which period the holder of the Executive 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 Executive Order may not be revoked until a determination after the hearing that grounds for revocation exist.

Executed at El Monte, California, this 10th day of May 1999.


R. B. Summerfield, Chief
Mobile Source Operations Division