



EXECUTIVE ORDER D-660-55

Relating to Exemptions Under Section 27156 Of the California Vehicle Code

Cobb Tuning Subaru TMIC Coupler

Pursuant to the authority vested in the California Air Resources Board by Section 27156 of the California 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-19-095;

IT IS ORDERED AND RESOLVED: That installation of the Subaru Top Mount Intercooler (TMIC) Coupler manufactured and marketed by Cobb Tuning, 2311 W. Rundberg Ln., Suite 500, Austin, Texas 78758 has been found not to reduce the effectiveness of the applicable vehicle pollution control systems and, therefore, is exempt from the prohibitions of Section 27156 of the California Vehicle Code for the 2005 to 2021 model year Subaru Light-Duty vehicles as listed in the Exhibit A.

The Subaru TMIC Coupler (part number 724455) directly replaces the stock top mount intercooler coupler that connects the intercooler and the throttle body. It is a more robust design made of silicone rubber with a minimum of 4 layers of polyester fiber reinforcement and wire wrap for durability under vacuum conditions. The Subaru TMIC Coupler connects in the same position as the stock top mount intercooler coupler, and there are no changes in the MAF or the pressure sensor position. Therefore, the ECU is not reflashed and remains stock.

This Executive Order is valid, provided that the installation instructions for the Subaru TMIC Coupler 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 Subaru TMIC Coupler, as exempted by the California Air Resources Board, that adversely affect the performance of the vehicle's emission control system shall invalidate this Executive Order.

This Executive Order shall not apply to the Subaru TMIC Coupler advertised, offered for sale, sold with, or installed on a new motor vehicle prior to or concurrent with transfer to an ultimate purchaser.

Marketing of the Subaru TMIC Coupler using any identification other than those shown in this Executive Order or marketing of the Subaru TMIC Coupler for an application other than those listed in this Executive Order shall be prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from the California Air Resources Board.

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

Exemption of the Subaru TMIC Coupler shall not be construed as an exemption to sell, offer for sale, or advertise any component of the assembly as individual devices. This Executive Order is granted based on an engineering evaluation and vehicle test results in the modified configuration submitted by Cobb Tuning, including emissions test data.

The California Air Resources Board 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 CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD OF ANY CLAIMS OF THE APPLICANT CONCERNING ANTI-POLLUTION BENEFITS OR ANY ALLEGED BENEFITS OF THE COBB TUNING SUBARU TMIC COUPLER.

No claim of any kind, such as "Approved by the California 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 on this 30th day of September 2021.



Allen Lyons, Chief
Emissions Certification and Compliance Division

Exhibit A

TMIC Coupler PN	Model Year	Make	Model	Engine Size
724455	2021	Subaru	Impreza WRX	2.0L TC
724455	2015-2020	Subaru	Impreza WRX	2.0L TC
724455	2008-2014	Subaru	Impreza WRX	2.5L TC
724455	2014-2018	Subaru	Forester XT	2.0L TC
724455	2009-2013	Subaru	Forester XT	2.5L TC
724455	2007-2012	Subaru	Legacy GT	2.5L TC
724455	2005-2006	Subaru	Legacy GT	2.5L TC
724455	2007-2009	Subaru	Legacy GT Spec B	2.5L TC
724455	2007-2009	Subaru	Outback XT	2.5L TC
724455	2005-2006	Subaru	Outback XT	2.5L TC

Coverage request includes all sub-models: TC suffix = Turbocharged

