State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-68-1

Department of Defense Catalyst Deactivation Program

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Air Resources Board 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;

IT IS ORDERED AND RESOLVED: That the Department of Defense (DoD) program for deactivation of catalysts on vehicles owned by DoD personnel and destined for overseas shipment from California ports and operation in foreign countries on leaded fuel is hereby exempted from the prohibitions of Section 27156 of the Vehicle Code insofar as any such program provides for the deactivation of catalysts and the operation of vehicles with deactivated catalysts on public streets or highways for the purpose of moving such vehicles directly between the catalyst deactivation/retrofit facility and the port area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the aforesaid exemption is conditioned upon compliance with the following requirements by the Department of Defense:

1. That the aforesaid program is granted approval by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency in accordance with its governing regulations.

2. That all 1976 and subsequent model-year vehicles owned by DoD personnel with overseas orders and equipped with catalysts shall be subject to the DoD program.

3. That all returning 1975 model-year catalyst-equipped vehicles shall be subject to the DoD program if the owner has DoD orders to proceed directly to a California station.

4. That the Department of Defense shall, prior to the owner's departure overseas, inform all DoD personnel who own 1975 model-year catalyst-equipped vehicles of the requirements of Paragraph 3 herein above, and further that all such vehicles will be subject to California laws requiring the installation and proper operation of the catalyst and leaded fuel restrictor if the vehicle is sold or registered in California, or operated in California other than for the purpose of proceeding directly to a station in another state.

5. That the subject vehicles while enroute between the catalyst deactivation/retrofit facility and the port area shall remain within the jurisdiction and control of a responsible federal agency or its agent in order to prevent unauthorized alterations or adjustments by the vehicle owner or any other person.

6. That the DoD program shall provide for the inspection and, if necessary, the repair or retrofit of leaded fuel fill pipe restrictors.

This Executive Order supersedes Executive Order D-68, dated July 28, 1976.

Executed at Sacramento, California, this 15th day of September, 1976.

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