

State of California  
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Resolution No. 78-26

May 24, 1978

WHEREAS, Section 39601 of the Health and Safety Code authorizes the Air Resources Board to adopt standards, rules, and regulations necessary for the proper execution of the powers and duties granted to and imposed upon the Board by law;

WHEREAS, Sections 43101 and 43104 of the Health and Safety Code authorize the Board to adopt vehicle emission standards and test procedures in order to control or eliminate air pollution caused by motor vehicles;

WHEREAS, the Board finds the need to amend the test procedures to incorporate technical changes adopted by the Environmental Protection Agency in order to be more consistent with federal regulations;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to specify test procedures for determining non-methane hydrocarbon exhaust emissions from motor vehicles;

WHEREAS, the Board believes that vehicle manufacturers must take reasonable steps to ensure that their vehicles have satisfactory driveability in order to minimize the incentive for tampering with the emission control systems;

WHEREAS, the Board believes that a maintenance warning signal is needed in order to alert the vehicle operator of scheduled maintenance for the exhaust gas sensor;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to delegate to the Executive Officer the authority, after giving adequate notice, to amend the test procedures by incorporating technical changes adopted by the Environmental Protection Agency in order to minimize the time lapse between federal and California adoption of minor test procedure changes and reduce the administrative burden on the Board;

WHEREAS, a public hearing and other proceedings have been held in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (Government Code, Title 2, Division 3, Part I, Chapter 4.5);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby amends its regulations in Chapter 3, Title 13 of the California Administrative Code as set forth in Appendix III to Staff Report 78-9-2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby adopts the following:

1. "California Non-Methane Hydrocarbon Test Procedures," adopted May 24, 1978.
2. "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for 1980 Model Passenger Cars, Light-Duty Trucks, and Medium-Duty Vehicles," adopted May 24, 1978.
3. "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for 1981 and Subsequent Model Passenger Cars, Light-Duty Trucks, and Medium-Duty Vehicles," adopted November 23, 1976, as last amended May 24, 1978.
4. "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for 1980 Model Heavy-Duty Engines and Vehicles," adopted May 24, 1978.
5. "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for 1981 and Subsequent Model Heavy-Duty Engines and Vehicles," adopted October 5, 1976, as last amended May 24, 1978.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby delegates to the Executive Officer the authority, after giving adequate notice, to adopt technical changes to the motor vehicle test procedures in a timely manner in order to be consistent with ongoing technical changes in the federal test procedures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby determines that the exhaust emission standards and test procedures adopted or amended herein are, for each vehicle category and model year, individually and in the aggregate, at least as protective of public health and welfare as applicable federal standards.

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TO ALL MOTOR VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS

Enclosed are the "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for 1980 and Subsequent Model Motor Vehicles" adopted by the Air Resources Board (ARB) at its May 24, 1978 meeting.

These procedures embody three minor language changes proposed and adopted at the May 24th meeting.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'G. C. Hass'.

G. C. Hass, Chief  
Vehicle Emissions Control Division

Enclosures