

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-487-3

Relating to Exemptions Under Section 27156
of the Vehicle Code

X-SPEC Performance
X-Charger Supercharger Kit

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 Section 39515 and Section 39516 of the Health and Safety Code and Executive Order G-45-9;

IT IS ORDERED AND RESOLVED: That the installation of the X-Charger Supercharger Kit manufactured and marketed by X-SPEC Performance of 1027 Bell Lane, Napa, CA 94558 has been found not to reduce the effectiveness of required motor vehicle pollution control devices and, therefore, is exempt from the prohibitions of Section 27156 of the California Vehicle Code for the Ford Explorer truck applications listed below:

| <u>Model-Year</u> | <u>Model</u> | <u>Eng. Disp.</u> | <u>Kit Part Number</u> | <u>Kit Pulley Size (in.)</u> |
|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2000-2001 | Explorer | 5.0L | ZD5555 | 2.6 |

The X-Charger Supercharger Kit includes the following main components: supercharger blower, upgraded fuel pump, longer serpentine drive belt, spark plug wires, and associated hardware. The diameter of the supercharger pulley is 2.6 inches. All other emission-related components are in the stock location relative to the throttle body. All crankshaft pulleys are stock and maximum boost is limited to 6 psi.

This Executive Order shall not apply to any X-Charger Supercharger Kit advertised, offered for sale, sold with, or installed on a new motor vehicle prior to or concurrent with transfer to an ultimate purchaser.

This Executive Order is valid provided that the installation instructions for the X-Charger Supercharger Kit 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 device, as exempted by the Air Resources Board, that adversely affect the performance of a vehicle's pollution control system shall invalidate this Executive Order.

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

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

This exemption is issued based on previously submitted emissions test data for the X-Charger Supercharger Kit installed on 1996 through 1999 model year 5.0L Ford Explorers and covered under Executive Order D-487, issued on July 29, 1999. That supercharger kit is identical to the one for the 2000 and 2001 model year 5.0L Ford Explorers. The exhaust emission measurements listed for Executive Order D-487 are as follows:

Federal Test Procedure:

| | <u>NMOG</u> | <u>CO</u> | <u>NOX</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| Standards (g/mi) | 0.100 | 4.4 | 0.4 |
| Device (g/mi) with df's applied | 0.082 | 1.4 | 0.1 |

The test results show that the X-Charger Supercharger Kit when installed on a representative Explorer vehicle will not likely cause exhaust emissions to exceed the applicable emission standards during the Federal Test Procedure. This Executive Order is also based on specific On-Board Diagnostic II (OBD II) testing previously conducted on the modified test vehicle for Executive Order D-487. The X-Charger Supercharger Kit when installed on the test vehicle did not affect the vehicle's ability to perform its OBD II monitoring.

In addition, the 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 AIR RESOURCES BOARD OF ANY CLAIMS OF THE APPLICANT CONCERNING ANTI-POLLUTION BENEFITS OR ANY ALLEGED BENEFITS OF THE X-CHARGER SUPERCHARGER KIT.

No claims 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 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 at El Monte, California, this 29th day of May 2009.


Annette Hebert, Chief
Mobile Source Operations Division