

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-589

Relating to Exemptions Under Section 27156
of the California Vehicle Code

Tech Performance & Engineering
Torque Monster Headers

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-02-003;

IT IS ORDERED AND RESOLVED: That the installation of the Torque Monster Headers, produced and marketed by Tech Performance & Engineering of San Diego, California 92192, 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 Vehicle Code for the 1996 to 2001 Ford Explorer and Mercury Mountaineer vehicles, equipped with the 5.0 liter V8 engine.

The Tech Performance & Engineering Torque Monster Headers (p/n 9601-50-EX-1) are tubular exhaust manifolds consisting of mild steel with a ceramic coating. The Tech Performance & Engineering Torque Monster Headers are a four into one configuration per engine bank, with an equal runner length design.

This Executive Order is valid provided that the installation instructions for the Torque Monster Headers 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 Torque Monster Headers, as exempt by the Air Resources Board, which adversely affect the performance of the vehicle's pollution control system shall invalidate this Executive Order.

This Executive Order shall not apply to any Torque Monster Headers 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 Torque Monster Headers using any identification other than that shown in this Executive Order or marketing of the Torque Monster Headers 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 the use of the Torque Monster Headers may have on any warranty either expressed or implied by the vehicle manufacturer.

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 16th day of May 2005.



Allen Lyons, Chief
Mobile Source Operations Division