

State of California  
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER I-14-007

Independent Contractor Approval Pursuant to  
California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Section 91207

AIR<sub>x</sub> Testing Services, Incorporated

WHEREAS, the Air Resources Board (ARB), pursuant to California Health and Safety Code, Section 41512, has established the procedures contained in California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Section 91200 and following, to allow the use of independent testers for compliance tests required by ARB;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that AIR<sub>x</sub> Testing Services, Incorporated meets the requirements of ARB for performing ARB Test Methods 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 100 (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, THC), 501, and Visible Emissions Evaluation (VEE) pursuant to Cal. Code Regs., Title 17, Section 91200 and following, when the following conditions are met:

1. AIR<sub>x</sub> Testing Services, Incorporated calibrates its differential pressure gauges after each test series in accordance with Section 2.2 of ARB Test Method 2, and establishes and maintains a log of the calibrations;
2. AIR<sub>x</sub> Testing Services, Incorporated uses indicating anhydrous Calcium Sulfate as a desiccant in accordance with Section 3.3.2 of ARB Test Method 5;
3. AIR<sub>x</sub> Testing Services, Incorporated acquires and uses a triple beam lab balance for determining silica gel drying column weight gains in accordance with Section 2.2.3.2 of ARB Test Method 501;
4. AIR<sub>x</sub> Testing Services, Incorporated uses a 40 percent H<sub>2</sub>/60 percent He or a 40 percent H<sub>2</sub>/60 percent N<sub>2</sub> blend, as appropriate, as fuel for its hydrocarbon analyzer;
5. The person performing VEE passed ARB Compliance Training Course #100: Fundamentals of Enforcement (FOE)/Visible Emissions Evaluation (Smoke School) and is currently certified to conduct VEE. Any recertification for VEE, following the initial passage of ARB's FOE, must be from a certifying body recognized by ARB at the time VEE is performed;
6. AIR<sub>x</sub> Testing Services, Incorporated participates in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Stationary Source Compliance Audit Program for ARB Test Method 8;

7. AIR<sub>x</sub> Testing Services, Incorporated acquires and uses ASTM E617 Class 1 weights for calibrating its balances, and establishes and maintains a log of the calibrations; and

WHEREAS, ARB Executive Officer, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code, Section 39516, issued Executive Order G-02-008, delegating to the Chief of ARB Monitoring and Laboratory Division (MLD) the authority to approve independent testers in accordance with Cal. Code Regs., Title 17, Section 91200 and following.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael T. Benjamin, Chief of MLD, order that AIR<sub>x</sub> Testing Services, Incorporated is granted approval from the date of execution of this order until June 30, 2016, to perform the test methods identified above subject to compliance with Cal. Code Regs., Title 17, Section 91200 and following.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that during the approved period the Executive Officer or his authorized representative may field audit one or more tests performed pursuant to this order for each test method identified above.

Executed at Sacramento, California, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 2014.



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Dr. Michael T. Benjamin, Chief  
Monitoring and Laboratory Division