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Aftermarket Parts Procedures Working Group – Tuners, Programmers, and In-Line Modules

Invitation to participate

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) invites you to participate in an Aftermarket Parts Procedures work group meeting for manufacturers of Tuners, Programmers, and In-Line Modules or those who use these devices as part of their performance product(s). The discussion will focus on the current evaluation processes and areas of concern and improvements for going forward. For those who cannot attend in person, a webinar will be available.

All meeting materials will be posted at: https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aftermkt/meetings/meetings_aftermkt.htm.

Please see below for additional details regarding the workgroup meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, October 9, 2018
TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (PDT)
LOCATION: California Air Resources Board
Annex 4 Auditorium
9530 Telstar Avenue
El Monte, CA 91731

If you are unable to attend in person, the workshop will be available via webinar. Visit the webinar page, for details.
Background

California Anti Tampering Laws (Vehicle Code (VC) 27156 and VC 38391) prohibit the sale, operation, and modification of engines or vehicles from their originally certified configuration. The aftermarket parts program evaluation procedures, “Procedures for Exemption of Add-on and Modified Parts” (Procedures), provide the process and criteria for manufacturers of add-on and modified parts to obtain exemptions to legally sell parts in California. Add-on and modified parts are defined in Code of California Regulations, title13, section 1900 (b) (1 and 10) and section 2222. The Procedures are intended to be robust enough to demonstrate that the aftermarket parts will not adversely impact emissions, the original emissions control system, and the On-Board Diagnostics system of the certified engine or vehicle, while providing industry with a less complicated evaluation protocol.

The Procedures were last updated in June 1990. Since that time, engines, vehicles, emission control technologies and strategies have changed and become more complex. The Procedures have provided industry and CARB with the tools needed to continue the evaluation of aftermarket parts as the standards and test procedures have changed. However, staff wish to revisit the process and test protocols to reflect current procedures and technologies while providing the tools needed to evaluate engines and vehicles of the future. The purpose of the Tuners, Programmers, and In-line Modules working group is to solicit ideas from the Tuners, Programmers, and In-line Module industry to improve the current Procedures.

More Information

Contact

For questions regarding the work group or modification of the aftermarket parts procedure, please contact Mr. Richard Muradliyan, Air Resources Engineer, at (626) 575-6798 or by email.

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