# BEFORE THE DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS BUREAU OF AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

ANTHONY AND JOANN FANTICOLA, Family Limited Partnership (FLP), Member MC LLC 1422 Edinger Avenue, Suite 150 Tustin, California 92780

dba Jiffy Lube #1287 13870 Peyton Drive Chino Hills, California 91709 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254481

dba Jiffy Lube #1053 27240 La Paz Road Mission Viejo, California 92692 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254482

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dba Jiffy Lube #1991 13970 Harbor Boulevard Garden Grove, California 92843 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254772

dba Jiffy Lube #1988 3080 Main Street Irvine, California 92614 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254773 Case No. 77/16-05 OAH No. 2016010753 dba Jiffy Lube #1856 8777 Irvine Center Drive Irvine, California 92618 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254774

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701 1st Street
Gilroy, California 95020
Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.
ARD 264443,

Respondents.

## DECISION

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby accepted and adopted as the Decision of the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs in the above-entitled matter.

The suspensions of the following Automotive Repair Dealer Registrations, issued to respondent, shall commence on the effective date of this decision:

- 1. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256310
- 2. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256311
- Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256312
- 4. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256313
- 5. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256314
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- 25. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256349
- 26. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration, No. ARD 256362
- 27. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256363
- 28. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256364
- 29. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256399

30. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256437

31. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 264443

This Decision shall become effective

DATED: 6/24/2016

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19	dba Jiffy Lube #295
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21	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256310
22	dba Jiffy Lube #296
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7	dba Jiffy Lube #608
8	2517 South El Camino Real San Mateo, California 94403
9	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256315
10	dba Jiffy Lube #610
11	1030 El Camino Real San Carlos, California 94070
12	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256316
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14	374 Miller Avenue Mill Valley, California 94941
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7	dba Jiffy Lube #1297
8	4195 El Camino Real Palo Alto, California 94306
9	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256362
10	dba Jiffy Lube #2342
11	1141 El Camino Real Mountain View, California 94040
12	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256363
13	dba Jiffy Lube #2351
14	865 Abrego Street Monterey, California 93940
15	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256364
16	dba Jiffy Lube #2716
17	2845 South Diamond Bar Boulevard Diamond Bar, California 91765
18	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256365
19	dba Jiffy Lube #1802
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1 dba Jiffy Lube # 1858 9032 Adams Avenue 2 Huntington Beach, California 92646 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. 3 ARD 259001 4 dba Jiffy Lube #1947 701 1st Street 5 Gilroy, California 95020 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. 6 ARD 264443, 7 Respondents. 8 9 10 IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-entitled proceedings that the following matters are true: 11 12 **PARTIES** 13 1. Complainant Patrick Dorais is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair 14 (Bureau), Department of Consumer Affairs. He brought this action solely in his official capacity 15 and is represented in this matter by Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General of the State of California, 16 by Gregory Tuss, Deputy Attorney General. 17 2. Respondent MC LLC, a California limited liability company dba Jiffy Lube is represented in this proceeding by attorney James Parrinello, whose address is: 2350 Kerner Blvd., 18 19 San Rafael, CA 94901. 20 3. The Bureau has issued the following automotive repair dealer registration numbers 21 to respondent: 22 A. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254481 was issued on or about April 15, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1287. It was in full force and effect at all 23 times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on March 31, 2017, 24 25 unless renewed. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254482 was issued on or 26 В. about April 15, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1053. It was in full force and effect at all 27 times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on March 31, 2017, 28

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- C. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254485 was issued on or about April 15, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #361. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on March 31, 2017, unless renewed.
- D. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254507 was issued on or about April 16, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1339. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on March 31, 2017, unless renewed.
- Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254772 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1991. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on March 31, 2017, unless renewed.
- F. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254773 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1988. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on March 31, 2017, unless renewed.
- G. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254774 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1856. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on March 31, 2017, unless renewed.
- Η. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254775 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1598. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on March 31, 2017, unless renewed.
- I. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254776 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1532. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on May 31, 2017, unless

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- J. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254777 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1406. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on May 31, 2017, unless renewed.
- K. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256310 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #295. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256311 was issued on L. October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #296. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- M. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256312 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #297. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- N. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256313 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #510. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- O. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256314 was issued on or about October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #606. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- Ρ. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256315 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #608. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless

Q. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256316 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #610. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.

- R. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256317 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #655. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- S. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256318 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #803. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- T. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256319 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #889. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- U. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256320 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1054. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- V. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256321 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1151. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- W. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256322 was issued on or about October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1158. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016,

unless renewed.

- X. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256323 was issued on or about October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1299. It was due to expire on September 30, 2013, but was cancelled on April 30, 2013. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256323 is subject to reinstatement until September 30, 2016.
- Y. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256324 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1300. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- Z. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1328. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- AA. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256326 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1347. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- AB. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256327 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1349. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- AC. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256328 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1403. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- AD. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256329 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1404. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless

renewed.

- AE. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256330 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1405. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- AF. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256338 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2321. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.
- AG. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256339 was issued on or about October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2332. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.
- AH. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256340 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2333. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.
- AI. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256341 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2335. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.
- AJ. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256342 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2339. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.
- AK. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256343 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2344. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless

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AL. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256344 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2345. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AM. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256345 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2346. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256346 was issued on AN. October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2352. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AO. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256347 was issued on or about October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2355. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AP. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256349 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2350. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AO. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256362 was issued on October 7, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1297. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.

AR. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256363 was issued on October 7, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2342. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless

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AS. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256364 was issued on October 7, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2351. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on October 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AT. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256365 was issued on or about October 8, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #2716. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on March 31, 2017, unless renewed.

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256399 was issued on AU. October 9, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1802. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256437 was issued on AV. October 9, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1166. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256439 was issued on October 9, 2008, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1283. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on September 30, 2016, unless renewed.

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 259001 was issued on or AX. about August 4, 2009, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1858. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on August 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AY. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 264443 was issued on March 24, 2011, to respondent dba Jiffy Lube #1947. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation and will expire on March 31, 2017, unless

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renewed.

#### JURISDICTION

- 4. Accusation No. 77/16-05 was filed before the Director of Consumer Affairs (Director) for the Bureau and is currently pending against respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on respondent on August 26, 2015. Respondent timely filed its notice of defense contesting the Accusation.
  - 5. Accusation No. 77/16-05 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

## ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 6. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understand the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 77/16-05. Respondent has also carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understand the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 7. Respondent is fully aware of their legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against it; the right to present evidence and to testify on its own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

#### **CULPABILITY**

- 9. Respondent agrees that, at a hearing, complainant could establish a factual basis for the charges in the Accusation No. 77/16-05 (although Respondent would contest them.)

  However, in the interest of settling this matter, Respondent hereby gives up that right to contest those charges.
- 10. Respondent agrees that its automotive repair dealer registrations are subject to discipline and it agrees to be bound by the Director's probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

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# CONTINGENCY

- 11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Director or the Director's designee. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for complainant and the staff of the Bureau may communicate directly with the Director and staff of the Department of Consumer Affairs regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by respondent or its counsel. By signing the stipulation, respondent understands and agrees that it may not withdraw its agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Director considers and acts upon it. If the Director fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Director shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and 12. facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 13. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties. The Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order covers all alleged violations currently known by BAR for activities related or similar to those alleged in Accusation No.77/16-05.
- 14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Director may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

### DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the following registrations issued to respondent are revoked:

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256310

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1	•	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256311
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9	•	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256319
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11	•	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256321
12	•	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256324
13	•	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325
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16	•	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256328
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18	•	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256330
19	•	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256338
20	•	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256339
21	•.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256340
22	•	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256341
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4	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256364
5	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256399
6	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256437
7	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 264443
8	However, the revocations are stayed and respondent's registrations are placed on probation for
9	three (3) years on the following terms and conditions:
10	1. Actual Suspension.
11	A. Locations Suspended
12	The following registrations issued to respondent are suspended for five days:
13	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256310
14	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256311
15	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256312
16	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256313
17	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256314
18	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256315
19	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256316
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23	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256324
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- Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256437
- Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 264443

# B. Post Sign/Limited Services.

During the term of suspension, each of the facilities under suspension will post a prominent sign, provided by the Bureau, indicating the beginning and ending dates of the suspension and indicating the reason for the suspension. The sign shall be conspicuously displayed in a location open to and frequented by customers and shall remain posted during the entire period of actual suspension. During the term of suspension, the facilities shall not perform, inspect, or estimate any services for which an automotive repair dealer registration is required as defined by Business and Professions Code section 9880.1.

# 2. Obey All Laws.

All facilities owned by respondent will comply with all statutes, regulations, and rules governing automotive inspections, estimates, and repairs. This includes the following facilities operating under the following automotive repair registrations not subject to this probationary order:

# 4. Report Financial Interest.

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Within 30 days of the effective date of this action, respondent must report any financial interest which any partners, officers, or owners of the respondent's facilities may have in any

other business required to be registered pursuant to Section 9884.6 of the Business and Professions Code.

# 5. Random Inspections.

Respondent will provide Bureau representatives unrestricted access to inspect all vehicles (including parts) undergoing repairs, up to and including the point of completion. In addition, respondent will mystery shop all locations monthly for two years from the effective date of this action. During each quarterly probation conference, respondent shall inform the Bureau of the results or any significant findings from respondent's mystery shopping activities.

## 6. Jurisdiction.

If an Accusation is filed against respondent during the term of probation, the Director shall have continuing jurisdiction over this matter until the final decision on the Accusation, and the period of probation shall be extended until such decision.

# 7. Violation of Probation.

Should the Director determine that respondent has failed to comply with the terms and conditions of probation, the Department may, after giving notice and opportunity to be heard on the violation of probation, temporarily or permanently invalidate the registrations on probation.

# 8. Retraining of All Employees Every Quarter for Two Years.

Respondent shall retrain all employees, including those employees working in the facilities operating under an automotive repair registration not subject to this probationary order, on all points raised in the Accusation. Respondent will retrain all its employees every following quarter for two years, for a total of eight periods of retraining for their current employees.

# 9. Cost Recovery.

Respondent shall pay to the Bureau \$220,000 in investigation and enforcement costs.

Respondent is permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan by paying four equal quarterly installments of \$55,000.00, with the first payment to be made immediately after the effective date of the decision, and the remaining three payments to be paid in three month intervals. Failure to complete payment of cost recovery within this time frame shall constitute a violation of probation which may subject respondent's registrations to outright revocation; however, the Director or the

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Director's Bureau designee may elect to continue probation until such time as reimbursement of the entire cost recovery amount has been made to the Bureau.

#### ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney, James Parrinello. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my automotive repair dealer registrations. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Director of Consumer Affairs.

DATED:	Quic 8, 2016	Marc Fanticula, Prosident
	0	MC LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY DBA JIFFY LUBE
	•	Respondent

I have read and fully discussed with respondents Anthony Fanticola and Joann Fanticola the terms and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I approve its form and content.

DATED: June 6, 2016 MAMES P.

IAMES PARRINELLO Attorney for Respondents ENDORSEMENT

This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is respectfully submitted for consideration by the Director of Consumer Affairs

Dated: G. G. G. Respectfully submitted,

KAMALA D. HARRIS
Attorney General of California DIANN SOKOLOFF
Supervising Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant

GREGORY TUSE
Deputy Attorneys for Complainant

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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 77/16-05

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1	dba Jiffy Lube #1328 3497 Stevens Creek Boulevard
2	San Jose, California 95117
3	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325
4	dba Jiffy Lube #296 1580 El Camino Real
5	San Bruno, California 94066 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256311
6	dba Jiffy Lube #1151
7	407 South Delaware Street San Mateo, California 94402
8	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256321
9	dba Jiffy Lube #1349 2030 Van Ness Avenue
10	San Francisco, California 94109
	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256327
11	dba Jiffy Lube #606 2492 Castro Valley Boulevard
12	Castro Valley, California 94546 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256314
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14	dba Jiffy Lube #1404 153 West Jackson Street
15	Hayward, California 94544 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256329
16	dba Jiffy Lube #1347
۱7	6099 Geary Boulevard San Francisco, California 94121
18	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256326
19	dba Jiffy Lube #2342 1141 El Camino Real
20	Mountain View, California 94040 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256363
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l	dba Jiffy Lube #610 1030 El Camino Real
22	San Carlos, California 94070 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256316
23	dba Jiffy Lube #608
24	2517 South El Camino Real
25	San Mateo, California 94403 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256315
26	dba Jiffy Lube #889
27	960 University Avenue Berkeley, California 94710
28	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256319

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1	dba Jiffy Lube #655 374 Miller Avenue
2	Mill Valley, California 94941
3	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256317
4	dba Jiffy Lube #1403 2099 Camino Ramon
5	San Ramon, California 94583 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256328
6	dba Jiffy Lube #1054
7	530 San Ramon Valley Boulevard Danville, California 94526
8	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256320
9.	dba Jiffy Lube #803 4300 Sonoma Boulevard
0	Vallejo, California 94589
İ	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256318
.1	dba Jiffy Lube #1405 1219 Concord Avenue
2	Concord, California 94520 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256330
.3-	dba Jiffy Lube #510
4	4500 Clayton Road Concord, California 94521
5	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256313
6	dba Jiffy Lube #2335
7	2190 North Broadway Walnut Creek, California 94596
8	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256341
9	dba Jiffy Lube #1283 4201 Middlefield Road
20	Palo Alto, California 94303
21	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256439
	dba Jiffy Lube #1166 39197 Cedar Boulevard
22	Newark, California 94560 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256437
23	dba Jiffy Lube #2339
!4	2795 El Camino Real
25	Santa Clara, California 95051 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256342
6	dba Jiffy Lube #2345 884 Blossom Hill Road
27	San Jose, California 95123
28	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256344

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1	dba Jiffy Lube #2350
2	2415 Fremont Street Monterey, California 93940
3	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256349
4	dba Jiffy Lube #2352
	6305 Jarvis Avenue Newark, California 94560
5	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256346
6	dba Jiffy Lube #1297
7	4195 El Camino Real Palo Alto, California 94306
8	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256362
9	dba Jiffy Lube #2351 865 Abrego Street
	Monterey, California 93940
10.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256364
11	dba Jiffy Lube #1300 2940 Bowers Avenue
12	Santa Clara, California 95051
13	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256324
14	dba Jiffy Lube #295 999 West El Camino Real
15	Sunnyvale, California 94087 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256310
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17	Cupertino, California 95014 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256347
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19	dba Jiffy Lube #2346 1030 Saratoga Avenue
20	San Jose, California 95129 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256345
21	dba Jiffy Lube #297
22	1387 Camden Avenue Campbell, California 95008
23	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256312
24	dba Jiffy Lube #2332 2302 Almaden Road
25	San Jose, California 95125
	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256339
26	dba Jiffy Lube #1053 27240 La Paz Road
27	Mission Viejo, California 92692
28	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254482

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1	dba Jiffy Lube #361 4143 Riverside Drive
2	Chino, California 91710 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254485
4	dba Jiffy Lube #1991 13970 Harbor Boulevard
5	Garden Grove, California 92843 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254772
6	dba Jiffy Lube #1988
7	3080 Main Street Irvine, California 92614 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254773
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9	dba Jiffy Lube #1856 8777 Irvine Center Drive
10	Irvine, California 92618 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254774
11	dba Jiffy Lube #1598
12	23041 Antonio Parkway Rancho Santa Margarita, California 92688
13	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254775
14 15	dba Jiffy Lube #1532 16751 Yorba Linda Boulevard Yorba Linda, California 92886 Automotive Boneia Boulevard
16	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254776
ļ	dba Jiffy Lube #1406 3087 Edinger Avenue
17 18	Tustin, California 92780 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254777
19	dba Jiffy Lube #2716 2845 South Diamond Bar Boulevard
20	Diamond Bar, California 91765
.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256365
21	dba Jiffy Lube # 1858 9032 Adams Avenue
22	Huntington Beach, California 92646 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 259001
23	dba Jiffy Lube #1339
24	27832 Aliso Creek Road
25	Aliso Viejo, California 92656 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254507
26	dba Jiffy Lube#1299
27	403 Saratoga Avenue San Jose, California 95129
28	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256323

1 2	dba Jiffy Lube #1158 15015 Hesperian Boulevard San Leandro, California 94578 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256322
3	dba Jiffy Lube #1287
4	13870 Peyton Drive Chino Hills, California 91709
5	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254481,
6	Respondents.
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9	Complainant Patrick Dorais alleges:
10	<u>PARTIES</u>
11	1. Complainant brings this accusation solely in his official capacity as the Chief of
12	the Bureau of Automotive Repair (Bureau), Department of Consumer Affairs.
13	2. The Bureau issued the following automotive repair dealer registration numbers to
14	respondents Anthony and Joann Fanticola, Family Limited Partership (FLP), Member MC LLC:
15	A. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256399 was issued on
16	October 9, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1802. It was in full force and effect at all times
17	relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless
18	renewed.
19	B. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256340 was issued on
20	October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2333. It was in full force and effect at all times
21	relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless
22	renewed.
23	C. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256343 was issued on
24	October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2344. It was in full force and effect at all times
25	relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless
26	renewed.
27	D Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256338 was issued on
28	October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2321. It was in full force and effect at all times

relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.

- E. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 264443 was issued on March 24, 2011, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1947. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.
- F. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1328. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- G. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256311 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #296. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- H. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256321 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1151. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- I. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256327 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1349. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- J. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256314 was issued on or about October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #606. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- K. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256329 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1404. It was in full force and effect at all times

relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.

- L. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256326 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1347. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- M. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256363 was issued on October 7, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2342. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.
- N. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256316 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #610. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- O. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256315 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #608. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- P. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256319 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #889. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- Q. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256317 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #655. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- R. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256328 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1403. It was in full force and effect at all times

relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.

- S. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256320 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1054. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- T. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256318 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #803. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- U. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256330 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1405. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- V. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256313 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #510. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- W. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256341 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2335. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.
- X. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256439 was issued on October 9, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1283. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- Y. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256437 was issued on October 9, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1166. It was in full force and effect at all times

relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.

- Z. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256342 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2339. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.
- AA. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256344 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2345. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.
- AB. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256349 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2350. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.
- AC. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256346 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2352. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.
- AD. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256362 was issued on October 7, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1297. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.
- AE. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256364 was issued on October 7, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2351. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.
- AF. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256324 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1300. It was in full force and effect at all times

relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.

AG. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256310 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #295. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.

AH. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256347 was issued on or about October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2355. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.

AI. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256345 was issued on October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2346. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.

AJ. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256312 was issued on October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #297. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.

AK. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256339 was issued on or about October 6, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2332. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on October 31, 2015, unless renewed.

AL. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254482 was issued on or about April 15, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1053. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AM. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254485 was issued on or about April 15, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #361. It was in full force and effect at all

times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 16, 2016, unless renewed.

AN. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254772 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1991. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AO. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254773 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1988. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AP. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254774 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1856. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AQ. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254775 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1598. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AR. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254776 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1532. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AS. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254777 was issued on or about May 8, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1406. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AT. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256365 was issued on or about October 8, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2716. It was in full force and effect at all

times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AU. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 259001 was issued on or about August 4, 2009, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1858. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on August 31, 2015, unless renewed.

AV. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254507 was issued on or about April 16, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1339. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.

AW. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256323 was issued on or about October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1299. It was due to expire on September 30, 2013, but was cancelled on April 30, 2013. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256323 is subject to reinstatement until September 30, 2016.

AX. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256322 was issued on or about October 2, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1158. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on September 30, 2015, unless renewed.

AY. Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254481 was issued on or about April 15, 2008, to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #1287. It was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this accusation and will expire on March 31, 2016, unless renewed.

#### JURISDICTION

- 3. This accusation is brought before the Director of Consumer Affairs (Director) for the Bureau under the authority of the following laws.
  - 4. Business and Professions Code section 118, subdivision (b), states:

"The suspension, expiration, or forfeiture by operation of law of a license issued by a board in the department, or its suspension, forfeiture, or cancellation by order of the board or by

order of a court of law, or its surrender without the written consent of the board, shall not, during any period in which it may be renewed, restored, reissued, or reinstated, deprive the board of its authority to institute or continue a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee upon any ground provided by law or to enter an order suspending or revoking the license or otherwise taking disciplinary action against the licensee on any such ground."

5. Business and Professions Code section 9882, subdivision (a), states in part:

"There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a Bureau of Automotive Repair under the supervision and control of the director. The duty of enforcing and administering this chapter is vested in the chief who is responsible to the director. The director may adopt and enforce those rules and regulations that he or she determines are reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter and declaring the policy of the bureau, including a system for the issuance of citations for violations of this chapter as specified in Section 125.9."

6. Business and Professions Code section 9884.13 states:

"The expiration of a valid registration shall not deprive the director or chief of jurisdiction to proceed with any investigation or disciplinary proceeding against an automotive repair dealer or to render a decision invalidating a registration temporarily or permanently."

7. Business and Professions Code section 9884.22, subdivision (a), states:

"Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the director may revoke, suspend, or deny at any time any registration required by this article on any of the grounds for disciplinary action provided in this article. The proceedings under this article shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, and the director shall have all the powers granted therein."

#### STATUTORY AND REGULATORY PROVISIONS

8. Business and Professions Code section 9884.7 states in part:

"(a) The director, where the automotive repair dealer cannot show there was a bona fide error, may deny, suspend, revoke, or place on probation the registration of an automotive repair dealer for any of the following acts or omissions related to the conduct of the business of the automotive repair dealer, which are done by the automotive repair dealer or any automotive

technician, employee, partner, officer, or member of the automotive repair dealer.

"(1) Making or authorizing in any manner or by any means whatever any statement written or oral which is untrue or misleading, and which is known, or which by the exercise of reasonable care should be known, to be untrue or misleading.

"(3) Failing or refusing to give to a customer a copy of any document requiring his or her signature, as soon as the customer signs the document.

"(4) Any other conduct that constitutes fraud.

"(6) Failure in any material respect to comply with the provisions of this chapter or regulations adopted pursuant to it.

"(7) Any willful departure from or disregard of accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike repair in any material respect, which is prejudicial to another without consent of the owner or his or her duly authorized representative."

#### 9. Business and Professions Code section 9884.8 states:

"All work done by an automotive repair dealer, including all warranty work, shall be recorded on an invoice and shall describe all service work done and parts supplied. Service work and parts shall be listed separately on the invoice, which shall also state separately the subtotal prices for service work and for parts, not including sales tax, and shall state separately the sales tax, if any, applicable to each. If any used, rebuilt, or reconditioned parts are supplied, the invoice shall clearly state that fact. If a part of a component system is composed of new and used, rebuilt or reconditioned parts, that invoice shall clearly state that fact. The invoice shall include a statement indicating whether any crash parts are original equipment manufacturer crash parts or nonoriginal equipment manufacturer aftermarket crash parts. One copy of the invoice shall be given to the customer and one copy shall be retained by the automotive repair dealer."

10. Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), states:

"The automotive repair dealer shall give to the customer a written estimated price for labor and parts necessary for a specific job. No work shall be done and no charges shall accrue before authorization to proceed is obtained from the customer. No charge shall be made for work done or parts supplied in excess of the estimated price without the oral or written consent of the customer that shall be obtained at some time after it is determined that the estimated price is insufficient and before the work not estimated is done or the parts not estimated are supplied. Written consent or authorization for an increase in the original estimated price may be provided by electronic mail or facsimile transmission from the customer. The bureau may specify in regulation the procedures to be followed by an automotive repair dealer if an authorization or consent for an increase in the original estimated price is provided by electronic mail or facsimile transmission. If that consent is oral, the dealer shall make a notation on the work order of the date, time, name of person authorizing the additional repairs, and telephone number called, if any, together with a specification of the additional parts and labor and the total additional cost, and shall do either of the following:

- "(1) Make a notation on the invoice of the same facts set forth in the notation on the work order.
- "(2) Upon completion of the repairs, obtain the customer's signature or initials to an acknowledgment of notice and consent, if there is an oral consent of the customer to additional repairs, in the following language:

"I acknowledge notice and oral approval of an increase in the original estimated price.

"(signature or initials)"

"Nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring an automotive repair dealer to give a written estimated price if the dealer does not agree to perform the requested repair."

#### 11. Business and Professions Code section 17200 states:

"As used in this chapter, unfair competition shall mean and include any unlawful, unfair or fraudulent business act or practice and unfair, deceptive, untrue or misleading advertising and any act prohibited by Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 17500) of Part 3 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code."

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#### 12. Business and Professions Code section 17500 states in part:

"It is unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or association, or any employee thereof with intent directly or indirectly to dispose of real or personal property or to perform services, professional or otherwise, or anything of any nature whatsoever or to induce the public to enter into any obligation relating thereto, to make or disseminate or cause to be made or disseminated before the public in this state, or to make or disseminate or cause to be made or disseminated from this state before the public in any state, in any newspaper or other publication, or any advertising device, or by public outcry or proclamation, or in any other manner or means whatever, including over the Internet, any statement, concerning that real or personal property or those services, professional or otherwise, or concerning any circumstance or matter of fact connected with the proposed performance or disposition thereof, which is untrue or misleading, and which is known, or which by the exercise of reasonable care should be known, to be untrue or misleading, or for any person, firm, or corporation to so make or disseminate or cause to be so made or disseminated any such statement as part of a plan or scheme with the intent not to sell that personal property or those services, professional or otherwise, so advertised at the price stated therein, or as so advertised."

13. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, states in part:

"No work for compensation shall be commenced and no charges shall accrue without specific authorization from the customer in accordance with the following requirements:

"(a) Estimate for Parts and Labor. Every dealer shall give to each customer a written estimated price for parts and labor for a specific job.

"(c) Additional Authorization. Except as provided in subsection (f), the dealer shall

obtain the customer's authorization before any additional work not estimated is done or parts not estimated are supplied. This authorization shall be in written, oral, or electronic form, and shall describe the additional repairs, parts, labor and the total additional cost.

"(1) If the authorization from the customer for additional repairs, parts, or labor in excess of the written estimated price is obtained orally, the dealer shall also make a notation on the work

order and on the invoice of the date, time, name of the person authorizing the additional repairs, and the telephone number called, if any, together with the specification of the additional repairs, parts, labor and the total additional cost."

- 14. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3356, states in part:
- "(a) All invoices for service and repair work performed, and parts supplied, as provided for in Section 9884.8 of the Business and Professions Code, shall comply with the following:
- "(1) The invoice shall show the automotive repair dealer's registration number and the corresponding business name and address as shown in the Bureau's records. If the automotive repair dealer's telephone number is shown, it shall comply with the requirements of subsection (b) of Section 3371 of this chapter.
  - "(2) The invoice shall separately list, describe and identify all of the following:
- "(B) Each part supplied, in such a manner that the customer can understand what was purchased, and the price for each described part. The description of each part shall state whether the part was new, used, reconditioned, rebuilt, or an OEM crash part, or a non-OEM aftermarket crash part."
  - 15. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3366, states:
- "(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, any automotive repair dealer that advertises or performs, directly or through a sublet contractor, automotive air conditioning work and uses the words service, inspection, diagnosis, top off, performance check or any expression or term of like meaning in any form of advertising or on a written estimate or invoice shall include and perform all of the following procedures as part of that air conditioning work:
  - "(1) Exposed hoses, tubing and connections are examined for damage or leaks;
- "(2) The compressor and clutch, when accessible, are examined for damage, missing bolts, missing hardware, broken housing and leaks;
  - "(3) The compressor is rotated to determine if it is seized or locked up;
- "(4) Service ports are examined for missing caps, damaged threads and conformance with labeling;

"(5) The condenser coil is examined for damage, restrictions or le	eaks;
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- "(6) The expansion device, if accessible, is examined for physical damage or leaks;
- "(7) The accumulator receiver dryer and in-line filter have been checked for damage, missing or loose hardware or leaks;
- "(8) The drive belt system has been checked for damaged or missing pulleys or tensioners and for proper belt routing, tension, alignment, excessive wear or cracking;
  - "(9) The fan clutch has been examined for leakage, bearing wear and proper operation;
  - "(10) The cooling fan has been checked for bent or missing blades;
- "(11) Accessible electrical connections have been examined for loose, burnt, broken or corroded parts;
  - "(12) The refrigerant in use has been identified and checked for contamination;
  - "(13) The system has been checked for leakage at a minimum of 50-PSI system pressure;
- "(14) The compressor clutch, blower motor and air control doors have been checked for proper operation;
- "(15) High and low side system operating pressures, as applicable, have been measured and recorded on the final invoice; and,
- "(16) The center air distribution outlet temperature has been measured and recorded on the final invoice.
- "(b) Whenever the automotive air conditioning work being advertised or performed does not involve opening the refrigerant portion of the air conditioning system, refrigerant evacuation, or full or partial refrigerant recharge, the procedures specified in subsection (a) need be performed only to the extent required by accepted trade standards."
  - 16. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371, states in part:
- "No dealer shall publish, utter, or make or cause to be published, uttered, or made any false or misleading statement or advertisement which is known to be false or misleading, or which by the exercise of reasonable care should be known to be false or misleading."
  - 17. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373, states in part:
  - "No automotive repair dealer or individual in charge shall, in filling out an estimate,

invoice, or work order, or record required to be maintained by section 3340.15(f) of this chapter, withhold therefrom or insert therein any statement or information which will cause any such document to be false or misleading, or where the tendency or effect thereby would be to mislead or deceive customers, prospective customers, or the public."

#### COST RECOVERY

18. Section 125.3, subdivision (a), states in part:

"Except as otherwise provided by law, in any order issued in resolution of a disciplinary proceeding before any board within the department or before the Osteopathic Medical Board upon request of the entity bringing the proceedings, the administrative law judge may direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case."

#### FACTUAL BACKGROUNDS AND CAUSES FOR DISCIPLINE

19. From May to September 2013, the Bureau conducted 38 undercover operations at various Jiffy Lube locations.<sup>1</sup>

#### 1. ARD 256399

- 20. a. From May 20 to May 22, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1996 Honda. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative ensured that the fluids, including the engine oil, were full.
- b. On May 23, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1802, 640 Whipple Avenue, Redwood City, California. The operator asked for an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
  - c. The operator signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.
- d. After the services were completed, the operator received a copy of the invoice which stated that the engine oil was one-half quart low on arrival at the station.

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Two separate undercover operations occurred at the same location. Of the 38 undercover operations, 1 resulted in no causes for discipline.

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#### FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate

Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

21. The allegations in paragraph 20 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256399 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

## SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

22. The allegations in paragraph 20 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256399 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the engine oil was one-half quart low on arrival at the station (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the engine oil was full.

#### 2. ARD 256340

- 23. a. From May 17 to May 21, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Oldsmobile at 107,541 miles. <sup>2</sup> As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative lightly tinted the transmission fluid to simulate fluid in normal service. The transmission fluid still was a normal operating color and did not need to be changed.
- b. The service manual recommends changing the transmission fluid and filter every 50,000 miles under severe use. Under normal use, the transmission fluid does not need to be changed. The fluid color should be dark red or dark brown. Fluid color alone does not indicate whether the fluid should be changed unless it is well outside normal operating color.
  - c. On May 23, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy

At a documented service approximately 180 miles before, the representative installed a new transmission filter and gasket, and refilled the transmission with new fluid. He installed a tamper indicator on the pan.

Lube #2333, 1902 North Capital Avenue, San Jose, California. The mileage at the time was 107,561. The operator said he wanted an oil change and asked to use a coupon from the website. He was directed to the waiting area.

- d. After a short time, a service technician asked the operator when the transmission fluid had been changed last. The operator said he did not remember. The technician said that the fluid should be changed every 50,000 miles. The operator asked the technician to check the fluid and tell him what the technician recommended because he was not sure if it needed to be changed. The technician re-examined the car and told the operator that the transmission fluid looked darker than normal and that it needed a fluid exchange. The technician offered a discount on the service. The operator authorized the transmission fluid exchange.
  - e. The operator signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.
- f. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$179.21 (after a \$26.00 discount), including \$119.99 for the transmission fluid exchange.
- g. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on May 23, 2013, at 107,563 miles. The engine oil and oil filter had been changed. The transmission fluid had been changed.

#### THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

24. The allegations in paragraph 23 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256340 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's transmission fluid (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said the car's transmission fluid looked darker than normal and that it needed a fluid exchange. In fact, the car's transmission fluid still was a normal operating color and did not need to be changed.

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#### FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

25. The allegations in paragraph 23 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256340 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

#### ARD 256343

- From May 21 to May 22, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and 26. documented a 1997 Honda with 113,446 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative filled the engine oil. He drained the car's transmission and refilled it with factory-authorized fluid, which is red in color. He replaced the fuel filter. The car drove normally and ran smoothly. The check engine light was off and the car's computer registered no service codes.
- b. The service manual specifies changing transmission fluid every 30,000 miles or 24 months if the car is operated under severe conditions; it specifies changing transmission fluid every 90,000 miles or 72 months under normal conditions. It does not have a specification for performing an engine flush or a fuel flush. In fact, the manufacturer strongly recommends avoiding using any flush system on its vehicles.
- On May 24, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #2344, 3606 Camden Avenue, San Jose, California. The mileage at the time was 113,453. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- After a short time, a technician told the operator that the transmission fluid was brown, which meant that the additives had broken down. The technician recommended a transmission flush. He said if the transmission fluid was not changed, there would be friction in the gears and the transmission would start slipping. The technician offered a discount if the operator had the transmission flush performed. The operator authorized the transmission flush,

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- e. The technician then recommended an engine flush. He said that there were engine deposits that could clog up the engine and affect acceleration. These deposits also could damage the valves and cams, and eventually the driver would hear ticking in the motor. The technician recommended this service every 30,000 miles. He said it would help with acceleration and also increase fuel efficiency. He also said that he was recommending the engine flush because the car's oil level was low on arrival at the station. He said he also would provide a discount for that service. The operator authorized the engine flush.
- f. The operator then signed an estimate which listed the car as a Toyota Camry.
- g. After the operator signed the estimate, the technician also recommended a fuel system cleaning. The technician said that a fuel system cleaning would further increase the car's fuel efficiency by cleaning out carbon that accumulated in the intake manifold. The operator asked if there was a lot of carbon build-up in the engine; the technician said he could not see it but he would guess there was if the service has never been performed. The technician said that there should be a two to three miles per gallon increase with the fuel system cleaning, and offered a discount for this service as well. The operator authorized the fuel system cleaning service.
- h. The operator signed a revised estimate which did not list the fuel system cleaning service.
- i. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$279.14 (after a \$30.25 discount), including \$119.99 for the transmission fluid change, \$59.99 for the engine flush, and \$59.99 for the fuel system cleaning. The invoice did not include a statement that the operator gave oral authorization for the fuel system cleaning before that service was performed. The invoice also stated that the engine oil was one-half quart low on arrival at the station. When the operator drove the car from the station, the check engine light was on.
- j. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on May 28, 2013, at 113,456 miles. The engine oil and filter had been replaced. The transmission fluid had been replaced. He could not determine if the engine had been flushed or the fuel system had been

cleaned. Although the engine ran smoothly, the check engine light was on and the car's computer registered five misfire codes.

#### FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Transmission Fluid)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

27. The allegations in paragraph 26 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256343 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car needing a transmission fluid exchange (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the transmission fluid was brown and the transmission would start slipping if the fluid was not changed. In fact, the transmission fluid had been changed before the car was brought into the station and the transmission did not need to be serviced.

#### SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Engine Flush)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

28. The allegations in paragraph 26 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256343 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car needing an engine flush (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that an engine flush was recommended every 30,000 miles and should be performed because the engine oil level was low on arrival at the station. In fact, the car's service manual does not have a recommendation for performing an engine flush, the manufacturer strongly recommends avoiding using any flush system, and the engine oil was at the proper level on arrival at the station.

29. The allegations in paragraph 26 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256343 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car needing fuel system cleaning (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that a fuel system cleaning would further increase the car's fuel efficiency by cleaning out carbon that accumulated in the intake manifold. The technician opined that there was a lot of carbon build-up in the engine if the fuel system cleaning had not been done before. The technician also said that there should be a two to three miles per gallon increase with the fuel system cleaning. In fact, the car's service manual does not have a specification for performing a fuel system cleaning and the manufacturer strongly recommends avoiding using any flush system on its vehicles.

#### EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Failure to Give Written Estimate Before Beginning Work Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

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The allegations in paragraph 26 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if 30. fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256343 to discipline for failing to give a written estimate before inspecting and recommending changing the car's transmission fluid (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

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#### NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Specify Additional Work on Revised Estimate Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (c)

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> The allegations in paragraph 26 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if 31. fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256343 to discipline for failing to list the fuel system cleaning on the revised estimate (Bus.

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1	& Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (c)).
2	TENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
3	Failure to Document Additional Authorization on Final Invoice Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and
4	California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (c)(1)
5	32. The allegations in paragraph 26 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if
6	fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.
7	ARD 256343 to discipline for failing to include a statement that the operator gave oral
8	authorization for the fuel system cleaning before that service was performed (Bus. & Prof. Code,
9	§ 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (c)(1)).
0	ELEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373
2	33. The allegations in paragraph 26 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if
3.	fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.
4	ARD 256343 to discipline for listing the car as a Toyota Camry on the original estimate and
5	issuing an invoice which stated that the engine oil was one-half quart low on arrival at the station
6	(Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the oil was full when the car arrived at the station.
7	4. ARD 256338
8	34. a. From May 20 to May 23, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and
9	documented a 2007 Pontiac with 154,244 miles. As part of this extensive documented service
20	procedure, the representative filled the engine oil.
21	b. On May 24, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy
22	Lube #2321, 3363 Mount Diablo Boulevard, Lafayette, California. The mileage at the time was
23	154,264. The operator said he wanted an oil change.
24	c. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$42.24. The invoice
25	stated that the engine oil was one-half low on arrival at the station.
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#### ELFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

#### False or Misleading Records Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

35. The allegations in paragraph 34 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256338 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the engine oil was one-half quart low on arrival at the station (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the engine oil was full.

#### ARD 264443

- 36. From May 20 to May 23, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2000 Chevrolet with 116,131 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative inspected the car's serpentine belt, and found it to be in good condition and not needing to be replaced. He changed the gear oil in the differential and installed a tamper indicator on the differential fill plug.
- Ъ. The car's service manual specifies changing the drive belt as needed. It advises that a belt can develop many small cracks in individual ribs without affecting the belt's performance. The onset of cracks usually indicates that the belt is only about halfway through its usable life. The belt may be changed if there are cracks 1/8 inch apart all around the belt.
- On May 28, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1947, 701 First Street, Gilroy, California. The mileage at the time was 116,147. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- After a short time, a service technician told the operator that the drive belt had cracks and that it should be replaced because it might break. The technician said he would give a discount if the belt was changed. The operator authorized changing the belt if the technician thought it should be done. The technician said the belt definitely needed to be replaced.
  - e. The operator then signed and received a copy of an estimate.
  - f. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$133.42 (after a

\$21.75 discount), including \$89.99 for the belt and installation. The invoice stated that the differential fluid level was "OK."

g. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on May 29, 2013, at 116,149 miles. The engine oil, filter, and belt had been replaced. The tamper indicator on the differential fill plug was still intact and undisturbed.

#### THIRTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

37. The allegations in paragraph 36 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 264443 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's serpentine belt (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the serpentine belt had cracks and that it definitely needed to be replaced. In fact, the serpentine belt can develop many small cracks in individual ribs without affecting the belt's performance. The onset of cracks usually indicates that the belt is only about halfway through its usable life. The belt may be changed if there are cracks 1/8 inch apart all around the belt. The belt was in good condition and did not need to be replaced.

## FOURTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Give Written Estimate Before Beginning Work Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and

Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

38. The allegations in paragraph 36 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256443 to discipline for failing to give a written estimate before inspecting and recommending replacing the car's serpentine belt (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

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#### FIFTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

# False or Misleading Records Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

39. The allegations in paragraph 36 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 264443 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the differential fluid level was "OK" (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the differential fluid level was not checked because the tamper indicator on the differential fill plug was still intact and undisturbed.

#### 6A. ARD 256325 FIRST OPERATION

- 40. a. From May 21 to May 24, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2001 Chevrolet with 117,644 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative ensured that the engine oil was full and the dipstick was not broken. He drained and flushed the car's cooling system. He refilled the system with new coolant which was at the proper freeze protection level. The radiator was performing normally and did not have extreme corrosion. He drained the transmission fluid and installed a new transmission filter, filter seal, and transmission pan gasket. He refilled the transmission with new fluid which he tinted slightly to simulate fluid in normal service. He filled the power steering fluid and installed a tamper indicator on the filler cap.
- b. The car's service manual specifies using engine oil with the American Petroleum Institute Certified For Gasoline Engines Starburst symbol with the proper viscosity. It makes no recommendation for synthetic oil. The manual specifies flushing the cooling system only after catastrophic failures or extreme corrosion in the radiator. The manual specifies replacing the transmission fluid and filter every 100,000 miles if the car is driven under severe conditions. It recommends not using external fluid exchange or flush machines for transmission fluid replacement.
  - c. On May 28, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy

Lube #1328, 3497 Stevens Creek Boulevard, San Jose, California. The mileage at the time was 117,655. The operator said he wanted an oil change and asked if he could use a \$15.00 coupon. He was directed to the waiting area.

- d. After a short time, a technician asked the operator when the transmission was last serviced. The operator said he did not remember. The technician said the a transmission flush is needed if it had never been done before because it flushes out all the old additives. The technician offered a \$10.00 discount for the flush. The operator authorized the transmission flush.
- e. The technician asked the operator what type of oil change he wanted. The operator asked what the manufacturer recommends. The technician said that according to the manufacturer the car needs fully synthetic oil. The technician said that fully synthetic oil makes the car easier to start and there can be longer intervals between oil changes. The operator authorized the fully synthetic oil change.
- f. The technician said he would test the engine coolant to see if it needed to be changed. He came back a short time later and showed the operator a hand-held hydrometer with two of the four balls floating. The technician said that all four balls should be floating and the cooling system needs servicing. He said that they would flush the cooling system with a machine that sucks out the coolant. The operator authorized the cooling system service.
  - g. The operator did not sign or receive a copy of an estimate.
- h. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$288.16, including \$60.99 (after a \$15.00 discount) for the synthetic oil change, \$109.99 for the transmission fluid exchange (after a \$10.00 discount), and \$89.99 for the "radiator, flush & fill." The invoice stated that the engine oil was one quart low on arrival at the station and power steering fluid was added.
- i. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on May 29, 2013, at 117,657 miles. The engine oil and filter had been replaced. The transmission fluid had been replaced. The coolant had been replaced. The tamper indicator on the power steering fluid cap was still intact and undisturbed.

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#### SIXTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Transmission Flush) Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

41. The allegations in paragraph 40 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car needing a transmission flush (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the car needed a transmission flush if it had never been done before because it flushes out all the old additives. In fact, the manual specifies replacing the transmission fluid and filter every 100,000 miles if the car is driven under severe conditions. It recommends not using external fluid exchange or flush machines for transmission fluid replacement. The car did not need a transmission flush.

#### SEVENTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Engine Oil)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

42. The allegations in paragraph 40 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car needing synthetic oil (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that according to the manufacturer the car needs fully synthetic oil. In fact, the car's service manual recommends engine oil with the American Petroleum Institute Certified For Gasoline Engines Starburst symbol with the proper viscosity. It makes no recommendation for synthetic oil.

#### EIGHTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition
(Representations for Cooling System Service)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

43. The allegations in paragraph 40 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if

fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's cooling system needing servicing (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that his inspection of the coolant showed that the cooling system needs servicing. In fact, the car had new coolant at the proper protection level. The radiator was performing normally and did not have extreme corrosion. The manual specifies flushing the cooling system only after catastrophic failures or extreme corrosion in the radiator. The cooling system did not need to be serviced.

# NINETEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Give Written Estimate Before Beginning Work Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

44. The allegations in paragraph 40 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325 to discipline for failing to provide a written estimate before beginning work on the vehicle (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

# TWENTIETH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

45. The allegations in paragraph 40 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the engine oil was one quart low on arrival at the station and power steering fluid was added (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the engine oil was full when the vehicle arrived at the station, and power steering fluid was not added because the tamper seal on the power steering fluid cap was intact and undisturbed.

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#### 6B. ARD 256325 SECOND OPERATION

- 46. a. From June 18 to July 22, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2001 Chevrolet with 141,067 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative installed a new air conditioning compressor, evacuated the air conditioning system, and recharged the system with refrigerant. The system's pressures were within normal specifications and it operated normally. He installed tamper indicators on the system's service ports.
- b. The service manual specifies servicing the air conditioning system as needed. Refrigerant pressures are measured with the engine running and the compressor operating. A low refrigerant level causes a low pressure reading. The car's computer also monitors the refrigerant pressure; the compressor will not operate if the refrigerant pressure is not within specifications.
- c. On July 25, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1328, 3497 Stevens Creek Boulevard, San Jose, California. The mileage at the time was 141,133. The operator said he wanted an oil change but forgot to bring the \$15.00 coupon. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician asked when the air conditioning system was serviced last. The operator said he did not remember and it may not have been serviced in a while. The technician said that the refrigerant is supposed to be changed every two years. He said if the refrigerant was not changed, it would build up excessive pressure which would indicate that the refrigerant level was getting low. The technician put a gauge on the service port of the low pressure side of the air conditioning system. The engine was not running and the compressor was not operating at this time. The technician showed the operator the gauge, which registered in the red area. The technician said that it was a warning of high system pressure and that the air conditioning system had way too much pressure. The operator said that the air conditioning system blew cold; the technician said that there was still refrigerant in the system but that there still could be a pressure issue with the system. The operator asked if this could damage the

system. The technician said that eventually the refrigerant would start leaking out of the lines. Once the refrigerant had leaked out, the air conditioning motor would stop working and cause stress to the belt. The technician recommended that an air conditioning service be preformed on the car. This service would pull everything out, evacuate all the contaminants, and recharge the refrigerant to the proper level. The technician offered a \$30.00 discount because the operator was getting an oil change as well. The operator authorized the air conditioning service.

- e. The operator then signed and received a copy of an estimate.
- f. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$118.89 (after a \$46.00 discount), including \$89.99 for the air conditioner service (after a \$30.00 discount). The invoice did not record the air conditioning high and low side system operating pressures, or the center air distribution outlet temperature.
- g. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on July 31, 2013, at 141,149 miles. The engine oil and filter had been replaced. The representative could not determine if an air conditioning service had been performed.

# TWENTY-FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

47. The allegations in paragraph 46 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's air conditioning (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3371). The technician said that the refrigerant is supposed to be changed every two years. He said that if the refrigerant was not changed, it would build up excessive pressure which would indicate that the refrigerant level was getting low. The technician tested the air conditioning system when the engine was not running and the compressor was not operating. The technician showed the operator the gauge, which registered in the red area, and said that it was a warning of high system pressure and that the air conditioning system had way too much pressure. The technician said that eventually the

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refrigerant would start leaking out of the lines. Once the refrigerant had leaked out, the air conditioning motor would stop working and cause stress to the belt. The technician recommended that an air conditioning service be preformed on the car. In fact, the service manual specifies servicing the air conditioning system as needed. Refrigerant pressures are measured with the engine running and the compressor operating. A low refrigerant level causes a low pressure reading. The car's computer also monitors the refrigerant pressure; the air compressor will not operate if the refrigerant pressure is not within specifications. The air conditioning system recently had been completely serviced and was operating normally. The air conditioning system did not need to be serviced.

TWENTY-SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
Failure to Give Written Estimate Before Beginning Work
Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and
California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

48. The allegations in paragraph 46 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325 to discipline for failing to give a written estimate before inspecting and recommending servicing the car's air conditioning system (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

## TWENTY-THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Record Air Conditioning Readings on Invoice California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3666, subdivision (a)(15) and (16)

49. The allegations in paragraph 46 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256325 to discipline for failing to include the air conditioning high and low side system operating pressures, or the center air distribution outlet temperature, on the invoice (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3666, subd. (a)(15) & (16)).

#### 7. ARD 256311

50. a. From May 16 to May 23, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2001 Chevrolet with 141,067 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative inspected the car's air filter, and found it to be in good condition

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and not needing to be replaced. He drained and refilled the car's cooling system with new coolant which was at the proper freeze protection level.

- b. On June 4, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #296, 1580 El Camino Real, San Bruno, California. The mileage at the time was 141,101. The operator said he wanted an oil change and asked to use a \$15.00 coupon from the website. He was directed to the waiting area.
- After a short time, a technician discussed what kind of oil change the operator wanted. The operator asked the technician to check the coolant to see if it needs servicing. The technician returned a short while later, and said the coolant was black and needs servicing. The technician also showed the operator the car's air filter. The operator asked if it was dirty; the technician said it was worn. The technician offered a 15 percent discount if the operator wanted the services. The operator authorized servicing the coolant system and changing the air filter.
  - d. The operator did not sign or receive an estimate.
- After the services were completed, the operator paid \$287.58, including \$16.99 (before a 15 percent discount) for replacing the air filter and \$89.99 (before a \$15.00 discount) for "radiator, flush & fill."
- f. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 10, 2013, at 141,103 miles. The engine oil, oil filter, and air filter had been replaced. The coolant had been changed.

## TWENTY-FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair. Competition (Cooling System)

Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

51. The allegations in paragraph 50 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256311 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's cooling system (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said the

1	coolant was black and needs servicing. In fact, the car's cooling system had been refilled with
2	new coolant to the proper level of freeze protection and did not need to be serviced.
3	TWENTY-FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
4	Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Air Filter) Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
:5	17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371
6	52. The allegations in paragraph 50 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if
7	fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.
8	ARD 256311 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair
9	competition related to the car's air filter (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7,
10	subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the car's
11	air filter was worn. In fact, the air filter was in good condition and did not need to be replaced.
12	TWENTY-SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
13	Failure to Provide Copy of Estimate Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a),
14	and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)
15	53. The allegations in paragraph 50 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if
16	fully set forth. Respondent has subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.
17	ARD 256311 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time
18	he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd.
19	(a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).
20	8. ARD 256321
21	54. a. From May 21 to May 24, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and
22	documented a 1997 Honda.
23	b. On June 4, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube
24	#1151, 407 South Delaware Street, San Mateo, California. The operator asked for an oil change.
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#### VENTY-SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate

Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

55. The allegations in paragraph 54 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256321 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

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- 56. From May 20 to May 23, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and a. documented a 2001 Pontiac with 149,781 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative installed tamper indicators on the transmission pan. The car ran and performed normally.
- The manufacturer specifies using American Petroleum Institute Certified engine oil of the proper viscosity; it makes no recommendation for synthetic oil. The service manual specifies replacing the transmission filter when the transmission fluid is changed. The manufacturer does not specify performing an engine flush at any service interval and specifically recommends not using any engine oil additives in this car.
- On June 6, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1349, 2030 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California. The mileage at the time was 149,796. The operator said he wanted an oil change and asked if he could use a \$15.00 coupon from the Jiffy Lube website. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, the technician talked to the operator about what kind of oil change option he wanted. The operator asked the technician what Pontiac recommends. The technician said that the manufacturer recommends a full synthetic oil change because the engine will last longer. He also said that with the full synthetic oil change that the operator could change it every 5,000 miles with city driving and every 7,500 with freeway driving. The operator authorized the synthetic oil change.

- e. The technician also said that the manufacturer recommends that the engine be flushed every 15,000 miles. The technician offered a 15 percent discount on the total bill. The operator authorized the engine flush. The operator also authorized a transmission service.
- f. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$239.41 (after a 15 percent total discount), including \$75.99 for the synthetic oil change and \$59.99 for the engine flush.
- g. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 11, 2013, at 149,812 miles. The engine oil and oil filter had been changed. The representative could not determine if an engine flush had been performed. The tamper indicator on the transmission pan was still intact and undisturbed.

#### TWENTY-EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Synthetic Oil)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

57. The allegations in paragraph 56 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256327 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's manufacturer recommending synthetic motor oil (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the manufacturer recommends a full synthetic oil change. In fact, the manufacturer specifies using American Petroleum Institute Certified engine oil of the proper viscosity; it makes no recommendation for synthetic oil.

#### TWENTY-NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Engine Flush)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

58. The allegations in paragraph 56 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256327 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's manufacturer recommending an engine flush (Bus. & Prof. Code,

§§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the manufacturer recommends that the engine be flushed every 15,000 miles. In fact, the manufacturer does not specify performing an engine flush at any service interval and recommends not using any engine oil additives in this car.

#### THIRTIETH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Material Departure from Accepted Trade Standards for Good and Workmanlike Repair Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(7)

59. The allegations in paragraph 56 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256327 to discipline for materially departing from accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike repair by failing to replace the transmission filter when changing the transmission fluid, as specified by the manufacturer (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.7, subd. (a)(7)).

- 60. a. From May 17 to May 23, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2001 Chevrolet with 126,397 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative changed the transmission fluid and filter, and put identification marks on the filter. He changed the differential oil. He ensured that the engine oil was full and all fluids were at the proper level. He installed tamper indicators on the tire valve stems and grease zerk fittings on the chassis.
- b. The color of transmission fluid alone does not indicate whether the fluid needs to be changed. The service manual specifies changing the transmission filter with every transmission fluid change.
- c. On June 7, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #606, 2492 Castro Valley Boulevard, Castro Valley, California. The mileage at the time was 126,418. The operator said he wanted an oil change and asked to use a coupon from the Jiffy Lube website. He was directed to the waiting room.
- d. After a short time, a technician told the operator that the transmission needs servicing. He said that the transmission fluid should be bright red but is dirty and should be changed. The operator authorized the transmission fluid change.

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- e. The technician then said the rear differential oil was gunky, mud-like, and had sludge. He said the differential oil should come out when the plug is removed, but the oil did not come out. He said the differential oil should be changed. The operator authorized the differential oil change.
  - f. The operator then signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.
- g. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$271.26 (after a \$25.00 discount), including \$119.99 for the transmission fluid change and \$75.99 for the differential oil change. The invoice stated that the chassis lubrication was "sealed," the tire pressure was "F35 R35," and the oil level on arrival was "1.5 qt low."
- h. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 11, 2013, at 126,419 miles. The engine oil and oil filter had been changed, but the oil was more than 15 ounces overfilled. The transmission filter had not been changed. The differential oil had been changed. The tamper indicators on the tire valve stems and chassis grease zerk fittings were still intact and undisturbed.

#### THIRTY-FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Transmission Fluid)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

61. The allegations in paragraph 60 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256314 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the vehicle needing a transmission fluid change (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the Chevrolet's transmission fluid should be bright red, but is dirty and should be changed. In fact, the color of transmission fluid alone does not indicate whether the fluid needs to be changed. Also, the transmission fluid had been changed before the Chevrolet was brought to the station. The transmission fluid did not need to be changed.

#### THIRTY-SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Differential Oil)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

62. The allegations in paragraph 60 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256314 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the vehicle needing a differential oil change (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the Chevrolet's rear differential oil was gunky, mud-like, and had sludge. He said the differential oil should come out when the plug is removed but it did not. He said the oil should be changed. In fact, the differential oil had been changed before the Chevrolet was brought to the station and did not need to be changed.

# THIRTY-THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Material Departure from Accepted Trade Standards for Good and Workmanlike Repair (Transmission Filter) Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(7)

63. The allegations in paragraph 60 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256314 to discipline for materially departing from accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike repair by failing to replace the transmission filter with the transmission fluid change (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.7, subd. (a)(7)).

# THIRTY-FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Material Departure from Accepted Trade Standards for Good and Workmanlike Repair (Oil Overfill) Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(7)

64. The allegations in paragraph 60 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256314 to discipline for materially departing from accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike repair by overfilling the engine oil by over 15 ounces (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.7, subd. (a)(7)).

#### THIRTY-FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a),
and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

65. The allegations in paragraph 60 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondent has subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256314 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

## THIRTY-SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

66. The allegations in paragraph 60 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondent has subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256314 to discipline for issuing and invoice which stated that the chassis lubrication was "sealed," the tire pressure was "F35 R35," and the oil level on arrival was "1.5 qt low." (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the tire pressure was not checked because tamper indicators on the tire valve stems were still intact and undisturbed. The vehicle had grease zerk fittings and the tamper indicators on them were still intact and undisturbed. Also, the engine oil was full when the vehicle arrived at the station.

- 67. a. From about May 15 to May 23, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Chevrolet with 59,317 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative filled the engine oil. The engine oil pan and plug were in good serviceable condition. He changed the differential fluid and installed a tamper indicator on the differential plug.
- b. On June 10, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1404, 153 West Jackson Street, Hayward, California. The mileage at the time was 59,353. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
  - c. After the services were performed, a technician told the operator that they

had noticed the oil pan drain plug's threads were damaged when they removed it and it was necessary for them to install a universal drain plug. The technician said that the threads on the oil pan also were damaged and the operator should take the vehicle to the dealer to have the oil pan replaced. (The station still charged the full price for the oil change.) The invoice stated that the engine oil was one quart low on arrival at the station, the differential fluid level was "OK," and the oil pan threads were damaged on arrival at the station.

d. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 12, 2013, at 59,353 miles. The engine oil and filter had been replaced. A universal rubber drain plug had been installed on the oil pan. The oil pan threads were damaged beyond repair. The tamper indicator on the differential plug was still intact and undisturbed.

## THIRTY-SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Material Departure from Accepted Trade Standards for Good and Workmanlike Repair Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(7)

68. The allegations in paragraph 67 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256329 to discipline for materially departing from accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike repair by damaging the threads on the engine oil pan and plug while servicing the Chevrolet (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.7, subd. (a)(7)).

# THIRTY-EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

69. The allegations in paragraph 67 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256329 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the engine oil was one quart low on arrival at the station, the differential fluid level was "OK," and the oil pan threads were damaged on arrival at the station (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the Chevrolet's oil was full, the differential fluid level was not checked because the tamper indicator on the differential plug was still intact and undisturbed, and the engine oil pan and plug were in good serviceable condition before the vehicle arrived at the station.

70. a. From June 3 to June 4, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Toyota with 149,220 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative changed the transmission fluid.

- b. The service manual specifies changing transmission fluid every 75,000 miles or 90 months if the car is used for towing. If the car is not used for towing, the manual does not specify changing the transmission fluid.
- c. On June 10, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1347, 6099 Geary Boulevard, San Francisco, California. The mileage at the time was 149,235. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician told the operator that the car needed a transmission flush. He said that a transmission flush should be performed every 2 years or 15,000 miles. He said that a transmission flush is better than just changing the transmission oil because it flushes all the old additives out of the transmission. The technician said that the total bill would be around \$174.99. The operator verbally authorized the transmission flush.
- e. The operator was not asked to sign and did not receive a copy of an estimate.
- f. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$165.75, including \$119.99 for the transmission fluid exchange.
- g. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 10, 2013. The transmission fluid was one-half quart low.

#### THIRTY-NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

71. The allegations in paragraph 70 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256326 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car needing a transmission fluid exchange (Bus. & Prof. Code,

§§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the car needed to have its transmission flushed every 2 years or 15,000 miles. He said that a transmission flush is better than just changing the transmission fluid because it flushes all the old additives out of the transmission. In fact, the transmission fluid had been changed before the car was brought into the station. The service manual specifies changing transmission fluid every 75,000 miles or 90 months if the car is used for towing. If the car is not used for towing, the manual does not specify changing the transmission fluid. The transmission fluid did not need to be changed.

FORTIETH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
Failure to Provide Copy of Estimate
Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and
California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

72. The allegations in paragraph 70 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256326 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

- 73. a. From May 31 to June 7, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1993 Honda with 120,260 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative over-diluted the blue-colored Honda engine coolant to a freeze protection level of -3 degrees Fahrenheit. However, the coolant had no rust, scale, contamination, or fatigue. The cooling system overflow reservoir had no signs of contamination. The coolant and all fluids were at the proper levels. The representative installed tamper indicators on the tire valve stems.
- b. The service manual specifies using only Honda-recommended coolant with a concentration of 50 percent coolant and 50 percent water. This concentration gives a freeze protection level of approximately -34 degrees Fahrenheit.
  - c. On June 12, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy

Lube #2342, 1141 El Camino Real, Mountain View, California. The mileage at the time was 120,294. The operator said he wanted an oil change and asked the technician to check the engine coolant. The operator was directed to the waiting area.

- d. After a short time, a technician told the operator that the coolant is worn and has no more additives. He said that the coolant needs to be changed and the car needs a radiator service. The operator authorized the radiator service.
- e. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$127.85, including \$89.99 for the radiator service. The invoice described the service as "Radiator, flush & fill." The invoice also stated that the tire pressure was "F32 R32."
- f. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 21, 2013, at 120,307 miles. The engine oil and oil filter had been changed. The tamper indicators on the radiator drain plug lower radiator hose and engine block drain bolt were still intact and undisturbed. The engine coolant in the overflow reservoir was green and had a freeze protection level of -30 degrees Fahrenheit. However, after the representative drained the coolant, he found that the coolant overall had a freeze protection level of only -8 degrees Fahrenheit. Moreover, the coolant was approximately 10 ounces overfilled. The tamper indicators on the tire valve stems were still intact and undisturbed.

### FORTY-FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Material Departure from Accepted Trade Standards for Good and Workmanlike Repair

Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(7)

74. The allegations in paragraph 73 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256363 to discipline for materially departing from accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike repair by failing to properly service the cooling system (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.7, subd. (a)(7)). The technician overfilled the coolant by approximately 10 ounces. The coolant overall had a freeze protection level only -8 degrees Fahrenheit instead of the manufacturer-recommended -34 degrees Fahrenheit.

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#### FORTY-SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

75. The allegations in paragraph 73 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256363 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that that the tire pressure was "F32 R32" (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the tire pressure was not checked because the tamper indicators on the tire valve stems were still intact and undisturbed.

- 76. a. From May 31 to June 4, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1996 Toyota with 73,299 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative inspected and serviced the car's air conditioning system. The high and low side system operating pressures, and the center air distribution outlet temperature, were within manufacturer specifications and the system had a proper charge of refrigerant. The system was free of leaks and functioned normally. The representative changed the differential fluid and blended the differential fill plug to look like it had not been removed recently. There was no varnish or buildup on the engine oil dipstick. There were no trouble codes in the computer. The car drove normally.
- b. The service manual specifies servicing the air conditioning system as needed. The manufacturer does not recommend fuel system service or flushing, or engine oil flushing.
- c. On June 12, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #610, 1030 El Camino Real, San Carlos, California. The mileage at the time was 73,318. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician told the operator that the car previously had been serviced at another Jiffy Lube station and that it had been recommended at that previous time to have the fuel injectors cleaned, the engine flushed, and the air conditioning serviced. The operator asked if those services still needed to be done.
  - e. A few minutes later, the technician returned with a handheld device and

said that the air conditioning system still needed service because it had high pressures. The technician quickly showed the operator the handheld device which registered in the green part of the gauge. The technician said that the air conditioner service should be performed every two years. The service would lubricate the system; the air conditioning lines would dry up if the service was not performed. The operator authorized the air conditioning service.

- f. The technician said that a fuel system service would improve gas mileage.

  He recommended that this service be performed. The operator authorized the fuel system service.
- g. The technician then said that an engine flush would remove buildup on the bottom of the engine oil pan. He recommended that this service be performed. The operator authorized the engine flush. The technician said the operator could use his discount coupon and he would provide an additional discount.
- h. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$250.51 (after a \$40.45 discount), including \$119.99<sup>3</sup> for the air conditioner service, \$59.99 for the fuel system flush, and \$59.99 for the engine flush. The invoice stated that the differential fluid level was "N/A."
- i. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 17, 2013, at 73,322 miles. The engine oil and filter had been replaced. The representative could not determine if an air conditioning service or fuel system cleaning service had been performed. The fill plug on the differential appeared undisturbed.

#### FORTY-THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Air Conditioning)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

77. The allegations in paragraph 76 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256316 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's air conditioning (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1),

The service was \$119.99 but the subtotal was \$122.99. The invoice does not provide the reason for this \$3.00 difference.

9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the car's air conditioning system needed service because it had high pressures. He said that the air conditioner service should be performed every two years. He said that the service would lubricate the system; the air conditioning lines would dry up if the service was not performed. In fact, the service manual specifies servicing the air conditioning system as needed. The air conditioner high and low side system operating pressures, and the center air distribution outlet temperature, were within manufacturer specifications and the system had a proper charge of refrigerant. The system was free of leaks and functioned normally. The air conditioning system did not need to be serviced.

#### FORTY-FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Fuel System)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

78. The allegations in paragraph 76 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256316 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's fuel system (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician recommended performing a fuel system service which would improve gas mileage. In fact, the manufacturer does not recommend fuel system service or flushing, or engine oil flushing.

#### FORTY-FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Engine Flush)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

79. The allegations in paragraph 76 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256316 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to an engine flush. (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that an engine flush would remove buildup on the bottom of the engine oil pan. In fact, the manufacturer does not

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recommend fuel system service or flushing, or engine oil flushing.

### FORTY-SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records

Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

80. The allegations in paragraph 76 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256316 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated the differential fluid level was "N/A." (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the car had a differential and its fluid level was not checked because its fill plug appeared undisturbed.

- 81. a. From May 31 to June 10, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2000 Toyota with 130,740 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative inspected and serviced the car's air conditioning system to manufacturer specifications, including the high and low side system operating pressures, and the center air distribution outlet temperature. The air conditioning system was properly charged with refrigerant. The air conditioning system performed normally, and the car ran and performed normally. The check engine light was off. The engine oil was full.
- b. The service manual does not specify servicing fuel injectors at any service interval. It recommends servicing the car's fuel injectors only when they are clogged or blocked, which may be shown by poor engine performance or the check engine light.
- c. On June 12, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #608, 2517 South El Camino Real, San Mateo, California. The mileage at that time was 130,758. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician asked the operator when the air conditioning system was last recharged. The operator said he did not remember. The technician said that they had hooked up an electronic air conditioning machine to the car and that it indicated that the refrigerant was low. He said that the machine indicated a yellow alert warning. The technician said that this would not damage the car, but the system would blow warm and take a

very long time to cool. The technician said he would give a discount for the service because it was the first time the operator had been to Jiffy Lube. The operator authorized the air conditioning service.

- e. The technician then asked the last time the fuel injectors had been cleaned. The operator said he did not think a fuel injector service had ever been done to the car, and he asked the technician if it was necessary. The technician said it was recommended that the fuel injectors be cleaned every 15,000 miles or once a year, and the technician recommended that service if it had not been done before. The technician showed the operator a computer animation of an additive being poured into the gas tank cleaning the fuel system. He offered a discount for that service as well. The operator authorized the fuel injector cleaning service.
  - f. The operator then signed and received a copy of an estimate.
- g. After the services were completed, the operator gave the technician a \$15.00 coupon. The operator paid \$207.58 (after a \$35.25 discount), including \$119.99 for the air conditioning service and \$59.99 for the fuel system cleaning service. The invoice stated that the engine oil was two quarts low on arrival at the station. The invoice did not record the air conditioning high and low side system operating pressures, or the center air distribution outlet temperature.
- h. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 26, 2013, at about 130,767 miles. The engine oil and oil filter had been changed. It was unclear if an air conditioning service or a fuel system cleaning service had been performed.

#### FORTY-SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Air Conditioning)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

82. The allegations in paragraph 81 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256315 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's air conditioner system (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said

1	that the car's refrigerant was low. In fact, the air conditioning system was properly charged with			
2	refrigerant and performed normally. The air conditioning system did not need refrigerant or to be			
3	serviced.			
4	FORTY-EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE			
5	Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Fuel System Cleaning) Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4)			
6	17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371			
7	83. The allegations in paragraph 81 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if			
8	fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.			
9	ARD 256315 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair			
10	competition related to the car's fuel injectors (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7			
11	subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that it was			
12	recommended that the fuel injectors be cleaned every 15,000 miles or once a year. In fact, the			
13	service manual does not specify servicing fuel injectors at any service interval. It recommends			
14	servicing the car's fuel injectors only when they are clogged or blocked, which may be shown by			
15	poor engine performance or the check engine light. The fuel injectors did not need to be cleaned			
16	or serviced.			
17	FORTY-NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Give Written Estimate Before Beginning Work			
18	Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)			
19	Cantornia Code of Regulations, title 10, section 5555, Subdivision (a)			
20	84. The allegations in paragraph 81 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if			
21	fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.			
22	ARD 256315 to discipline for failing to give a written estimate before inspecting and			
23	recommending replacing the car's air conditioning system (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd.			
24	(a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).			
25	FIFTIETH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE			
26	False or Misleading Records  Business and Professions Code section 17500 and  California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 2373			
27	California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373			
28	85 The allegations in paragraph \$1 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference on if			

fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256315 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the engine oil was two quarts low on arrival at the station (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the engine oil was full.

## FIFTY-FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Record Air Conditioning Readings on Invoice California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3666, subdivision (a)(15) and (16)

86. The allegations in paragraph 81 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256315 to discipline for failing to include the air conditioning high and low side system operating pressures, or the center air distribution outlet temperature, on the invoice (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3666, subd. (a)(15) & (16)).

- 87. a. From May 20 to May 22, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Honda with 74,811 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative changed the car's transmission fluid, engine coolant, and power steering fluids. The car drove normally.
- b. The service manual does not specify performing an engine flush or a fuel flush. In fact, the manufacturer strongly recommends avoiding using any flush system on its vehicles.
- c. On June 17, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #889, 960 University Avenue, Berkeley, California. The mileage at this time was 74,822. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician said that the car's fuel injection system needs to be flushed out every year or 15,000 miles. He said it would make the engine run better and give the car better gas mileage. The operator authorized the fuel injection cleaning service.
- e. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$105.83 (after a \$15.00 discount), including \$59.99 for the fuel system cleaning.
  - f. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 24, 2013, at 74,824

miles. The engine oil and filter had been changed. He could not determine if the engine had been flushed or the fuel system had been cleaned.

#### FIFTY-SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

88. The allegations in paragraph 87 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256319 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's fuel system (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the car's fuel injection system needs to be flushed out every year or 15,000 miles. In fact, the service manual does not specify a fuel system cleaning and the manufacturer strongly recommends avoiding using any flush system on its vehicles. The fuel injection system did not need to be cleaned or serviced.

- 89. a. From June 7 to June 11, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2000 Chevrolet with 116,149 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative replaced the transmission fluid and filter. He installed a tamper indicator on the differential fill plug.
- b. The service manual specifies changing transmission fluid and filter under normal use every 100,000 miles.
- c. On June 17, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #655, 374 Miller Avenue, Mill Valley, California. The mileage at the time was 116,158. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician told the operator that the manufacturer recommended that the transmission fluid be replaced every 15,000 miles or once a year. The operator said that he was unsure when the transmission fluid had been replaced; the technician said he would inspect it.

#### FIFTY-FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

## False or Misleading Records Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

92. The allegations in paragraph 89 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256317 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the differential fluid level was "OK" (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the differential fluid level was not checked because the tamper indicator on the differential fill plug was intact and undisturbed.

#### 18. ARD 256328

- 93. a. From June 11 to June 12, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Honda with 113,462 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative re-inspected the fuel filter which had been installed at 113,446 miles. It was still in good and serviceable condition.
- b. On June 20, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy
   Lube #1403, 2099 Camino Ramon, San Ramon, California. The mileage at the time was 113,467.
   The operator requested an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- c. After a short time, a service technician told the operator that the car's fuel filter was dirty and clogged and needed to be replaced. The operator authorized the service.
  - d. The operator signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.
- e. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$235.44 (after an \$11.00 discount), including \$59.99 for the fuel filter installation.
- f. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 20, 2013, at 113,468 miles. The engine oil and filter had been changed. The fuel filter had been changed.

#### FIFTY-SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

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fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256328 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's fuel filter (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the car's fuel filter was dirty and clogged and needed to be replaced. In fact, the fuel filter had been installed just before the car was taken to the station, and was still in good and serviceable condition. The fuel filter did not need to be replaced.

FIFTY-SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate

Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

95. The allegations in paragraph 93 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256328 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

#### 19. ARD 256320

- 96. a. From June 11 to June 12, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Honda.
- b. On June 20, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1054, 530 South Ramon Valley, Danville, California. The operator asked for an oil change. He signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.

### FIFTY-EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate

Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

97. The allegations in paragraph 96 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256320 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd.

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(a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

#### 20. ARD 256318

- 98. a. From June 5 to June 19, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2000 Toyota with 95,924 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative drained the engine coolant from the radiator and refilled it with new coolant, which was red in color. He installed tamper indicators on the engine block coolant drain, radiator drain, radiator cap, and radiator hose connections. He also installed tamper indicators on the differential drain and fill plugs. The car ran and performed normally.
- ь. On June 24, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #803, 4300 Sonoma Boulevard, Vallejo, California. The mileage at the time was 95,938. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- After a short time, a technician told the operator that he tried to remove the c. radiator cap and found that the radiator was boiling over, which meant that the car needed a cooling system service. He said that the car was overheating. The technician said that this service is recommended every 2 years or 30,000 miles. The technician offered a 15 percent discount on the service. The operator authorized the cooling system service.
  - d. The operator signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.
- e. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$116.34 (after a \$19.50 discount), including \$89.99 for the cooling system service. The invoice stated the cooling service performed was "Radiator, Flush&Fill." It also stated that the differential fluid level was "OK."
- f. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 26 to June 27, 2013, at 95,949. miles. The engine oil and filter had been changed. All tamper indicators on the engine cooling system, except for the one on the radiator cap, were still intact and undisturbed. The coolant reservoir contained yellow coolant, but inside the radiator the coolant was still red with yellow coolant in the area where the reservoir tank hose connects to the radiator. The tamper indicators on the differential drain and fill plugs were still in place and undisturbed.

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#### FIFTY-NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

99. The allegations in paragraph 98 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256318 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to servicing the car's cooling system (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said he tried to remove the radiator cap and found that the car was boiling over, which meant that the car needed a cooling system service. He said that the car was overheating. In fact, the car's coolant had been replaced. The cooling system was performing normally and did not need to be serviced.

#### SIXTIETH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Material Departure from Accepted Trade Standards for Good and Workmanlike Repair Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(7)

100. The allegations in paragraph 98 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256318 to discipline for materially departing from accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike repair by failing to drain and fill the engine coolant system (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.7, subd. (a)(7)). The invoice stated the cooling service performed was "Radiator, Flush&Fill." In fact, the radiator coolant was not drained and filled because all the tamper indicators on the engine cooling system, except for the one on the radiator cap, were still intact and undisturbed. Moreover, the coolant reservoir contained coolant which was yellow in color, but the coolant inside the radiator still was red in color with yellow coolant in the area where the reservoir tank hose connects to the radiator.

### SIXTY-FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate

Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

101. The allegations in paragraph 98 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if

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fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256318 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

# SIXTY-SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

102. The allegations in paragraph 98 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondent has subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256318 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the differential fluid level was "OK" (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the differential fluid level was not checked because the tamper indicators on the differential drain and fill plugs were still intact and undisturbed.

#### 21. ARD 256330

- 103. a. From June 5 to June 10, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Oldsmobile with 107,564 miles.
- b. On June 24, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1405, 1219 Concord Avenue, Concord, California. The mileage at the time was 107,593. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.

### SIXTY-THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate

Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

104. The allegations in paragraph 103 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256330 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

105. a. From June 6 to June 12, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2001 Chevrolet with 117,657 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative ensured that the engine oil was full. He installed a new air filter. The power steering fluid reservoir is opaque; the representative installed a tamper indicator on the reservoir cap.

- b. On June 25, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #510, 4500 Clayton Road, Concord, California. The mileage at the time was 117,670. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- c. After a short time, a technician talked with the operator about the car's prior service history. The operator asked the technician to look at the car to see what services are needed. During the technician's inspection, she tore a piece out of the air filter when she removed it.
- d. Some time later, another service technician told the operator that there was no oil on the car's dipstick. The technician said that the oil may have been old and the engine probably just needs a flush.
- e. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$42.37 (after a \$15.00 discount). The invoice stated that the power steering fluid level was "OK" and that the engine oil was two quarts low on arrival at the station.
- f. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on June 27, 2013, at 117,675 miles. The engine oil and filter had been changed. The tamper indicator on the power steering reservoir cap was intact and undisturbed. A piece of sealing foam, which was big enough to allow dust and debris to enter the engine, was missing from the air filter.

## SIXTY-FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Material Departure from Accepted Trade Standards for Good and Workmanlike Repair Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(7)

106. The allegations in paragraph 105 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256313 to discipline for materially departing from accepted trade standards for good and

workmanlike repair for tearing a piece out of the air filter when removing it for inspection (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.7, subd. (a)(7)).

#### SIXTY-FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

107. The allegations in paragraph 105 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256313 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the power steering fluid level was "OK" and that the engine oil was two quarts low on arrival at the station (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the power steering fluid was not checked because the tamper indicator on the power steering fluid reservoir cap was intact and undisturbed. Additionally, the engine oil was full.

- 108. a. From June 10 to June 14, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2007 Pontiac with 154,265 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative verified that the engine coolant had the proper level of freeze protection, and normal color and clarity. The power steering fluid reservoir is opaque; the representative installed a tamper indicator on the reservoir cap. The engine oil was full.
- b. On June 25, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #2335, 2190 North Broadway, Walnut Creek, California. The mileage was 154,272. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- c. After a short time, a technician told the operator that the car's coolant looked very dirty and the car should have a coolant flush service. He showed the open coolant reservoir tank to the operator and said that the coolant's color was not correct. The operator authorized the coolant flush service and asked to use a coupon.
  - d. The operator signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.
- e. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$121.28 (after a \$28.50 discount), including \$89.99 for the coolant flush service. The invoice stated that there was coolant rust. It also stated that the power steering fluid level was "OK," and the engine oil was

$1 \mid \mid$	one quart low on arrival at the station.			
2	f. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on July 2, 2013, at 154,278			
3	miles. The engine oil and oil filter had been changed. The tamper indicator on the power			
4	steering reservoir cap was intact and undisturbed.			
5	SIXTY-SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE			
6	Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4) 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371			
7 8	109. The allegations in paragraph 108 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if			
9	fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.			
0	ARD 256341 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair			
l 1	competition related to the car's cooling system (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1),			
2	9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that			
3	the car's coolant looked very dirty and was not correct, and the car should have a coolant flush			
14	service. In fact, the car's cooling system engine coolant had the proper level of freeze protection,			
15	and normal color and clarity. The cooling system did not need to be serviced.			
16	SIXTY-SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE			
17 18	Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)			
19	110. The allegations in paragraph 108 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if			
20	fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.			
21	ARD 256341 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time			
22	he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd.			
23	(a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).			
24	SIXTY-EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records			
25	California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373			
26	111. The allegations in paragraph 108 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as i			
27	fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.			
28	ARD 256341 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that there was coolant rust, the			

power steering fluid level was "OK," and the engine oil was one quart low on arrival at the station (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the coolant had normal color and clarity. The power steering fluid was not checked because the tamper indicator on the power steering fluid reservoir cap was intact and undisturbed. Finally, the engine oil was full.

#### 24. ARD 256437

- 112. a. On about June 19, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Chevrolet with 59,353 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative ensured that the tamper indicator he installed on the differential fill plug during a previous documented service procedure he conducted on or about May 15, 2013, was still intact and undisturbed. The car's chassis has 11 grease fittings to lubricate.
- b. On July 26, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1166, 30197 Cedar Boulevard, Newark, California. The mileage at the time was 59,361. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- c. After the services were performed, the operator received an invoice which stated that the differential fluid level was "OK." The invoice also stated that four fittings were lubricated on the chassis.
- d. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on August 15, 2013, at 59,362 miles. The engine oil and filter had been replaced. The tamper indicator on the differential fill plug was still intact and undisturbed. Six of the 11 grease fittings had been lubricated.

#### SIXTY-NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Material Departure from Accepted Trade Standards for Good and Workmanlike Repair Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(7)

113. The allegations in paragraph 112 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256437 to discipline for materially departing from accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike repair by failing to lubricate all 11 grease fittings on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.7, subd. (a)(7)).

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#### SEVENTIETH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

## False or Misleading Records Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

114. The allegations in paragraph 112 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256437 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the vehicle's differential fluid level was "OK" (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the differential fluid was not checked because the tamper indicator on the differential fill plug was still intact and undisturbed.

#### 25. ARD 256342

- 115. a. From June 25 to June 27, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected documented a 1996 Toyota with 73,326 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative ensured that the engine oil and differential fluid were full. The battery was not maintenance free and had caps to add water. The car had no leaks and performed normally.
- b. On July 29, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #2339, 2795 El Camino Real, Santa Clara, California. The mileage at the time was 73,330. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.
- c. After the services were completed, he received an invoice which stated that the battery was maintenance free and the differential fluid level was "N/A." The invoice also stated that engine oil was one-half quart low on arrival at the station and there were minor transmission fluid and oil leaks.
- d. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on August 12, 2013, at 73,332 miles. The engine oil and filter had been changed. The car had no leaks.

### SEVENTY-FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate

Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

116. The allegations in paragraph 115 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if

fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256342 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

#### SEVENTY-SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

117. The allegations in paragraph 115 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256342 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the battery was maintenance free, the differential fluid level was "N/A," the engine oil was one-half quart low on arrival at the station, and there were minor transmission fluid and oil leaks (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the battery was not maintenance free and had caps to add water, differential fluid and engine oil were full, and the car had no leaks

- 118. a. From June 17 to June 18, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Toyota with 149,247 miles. As part of the extensive documented service procedure, the representative ensured that the car drove normally, ran smoothly, and the check engine light was off.
- b. The service manual does not specify a service interval for the fuel injectors. If the injectors are clogged or blocked, the car does not drive properly and the car's computer registers a trouble code which causes the check engine light to go on. The manual outlines an injector cleaning process if the injectors are clogged or blocked.
- c. On July 30, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #2345, 884 Blossom Hill Road, San Jose, California. The mileage at the time was 149,257. The operator requested an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician told the operator that a fuel system cleaning should be performed on the car at least once a year. He said that the service cleans out all the carbon deposits from the inside of the engine and intake lines as well. The technician told the

operator that carbon deposits accumulate on the fuel injectors over time and clog them up, and that Jiffy Lube's fuel system cleaning removes the carbon deposit build up. The fuel system cleaning service improves the fuel mileage as well. The operator asked if he could get a discount for this service; the technician said he would deduct 10 percent from the price. The operator authorized the fuel system cleaning service.

- e. The operator signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.
- f. After the repairs were completed, the operator paid \$107.23 (after a \$13.00 discount), including \$59.99 for the fuel system cleaning.
- g. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on or about August 5, 2013, at 149,263 miles. The engine oil and filter had been changed. He could not determine if the fuel system had been cleaned.

# SEVENTY-THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

119. The allegations in paragraph 118 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256344 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's fuel system (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that a fuel system cleaning should be performed on the car at least once a year which removes carbon deposits from the engine and fuel injectors. In fact, the service manual does not specify a service interval for the fuel injectors. If the injectors are clogged or blocked, the car does not drive properly and the car's computer registers a trouble code which causes the check engine light to go on. The manual outlines an injector cleaning process if the injectors are clogged or blocked. The car drove normally, ran smoothly, and the check engine light was off. The car did not need its fuel system cleaned.

SEVENTY-FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

120. The allegations in paragraph 118 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256344 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

- 121. a. A Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Oldsmobile with 107,564 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative changed the transmission fluid. He lightly tinted the fluid to simulate fluid in normal service but within normal operating color. From July 30 to August 2, 2013, at 107,603 miles, the representative conducted a thorough re-inspection of the car. He found the transmission fluid in good condition and not needing to be replaced.
- b. The service manual specifies changing the transmission fluid and filter every 50,000 miles under severe use. Under normal use, the transmission fluid does not need to be changed.
- c. On August 8, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to respondents dba Jiffy Lube #2350, 2415 Fremont Street, Monterey, California. The mileage was 107,622. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician told the operator that the manufacturer recommended changing the transmission fluid at that time. The technician said that it should be changed every year. The operator asked if the station also changes the filter with the transmission fluid; the technician said that they replace the fluid but not the filter. The operator authorized the transmission fluid exchange.
- e. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$166.84 (after a \$15.00 discount), including \$119.99 for the transmission fluid exchange.

f. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on August 9, 2013, at 107,624 miles. The engine oil and filter had been changed. The transmission fluid had been changed.

#### SEVENTY-FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

122. The allegations in paragraph 121 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256349 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's transmission fluid (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the manufacturer recommended that the transmission fluid should be changed every year. In fact, the service manual specifies changing the transmission fluid and filter every 50,000 miles under severe use. Under normal use, the transmission fluid does not need to be changed. The transmission fluid did not need to be changed.

- 123. a. A Bureau representative documented a 2000 Chevrolet with 116,131 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative replaced the differential fluid and put a tamper indicator on the fill plug. From July 30 to August 7, 2013, the representative conducted a thorough re-inspection of the car at 116,160 miles. He verified that the tamper indicator on the differential fill plug was intact. He also filled the engine oil.
- b. On August 12, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #2352, 6305 Jarvis Avenue, Newark, California. The mileage at the time was 116,169. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- c. After a short time, a technician told the operator that the differential fluid was gray and had built up a lot of metal shavings. The technician recommended changing the differential fluid and offered to show the operator a sample of the fluid that was in the differential. The technician explained that buying a station coupon book ultimately would save

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#### SEVENTY-EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

## False or Misleading Records Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

126. The allegations in paragraph 123 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256346 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the engine oil was one quart low at arrival (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the engine oil was full.

- 127. a. A Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1996 Honda with 74,821 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative drained the engine cooling system. He repeatedly refilled it with water, ran the engine, and drained it until it was clear. He then refilled the system with 50 percent coolant from the manufacturer (which is blue) and 50 percent distilled water. He installed tamper indicators on the transmission fill and drain plugs. From August 6 to August 14, 2013, the representative conducted a thorough re-inspection of the car at 74,824 miles. The engine coolant was a mixture of 50 percent coolant and 50 percent water, clean, and full. The tamper indicators on the transmission fill and drain plugs were intact and undisturbed.
- b. The service manual specifies replacing the engine coolant at 36 months or 45,000 miles, 60 months or 75,000 miles, and 84 months or 105,000 miles. It does not specify performing an coolant flush. In fact, the manufacturer strongly recommends avoiding using any flush system on its vehicles.
- c. On August 19, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1297, 4195 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, California. The mileage at the time was 74,830. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician asked the operator the last time the radiator was flushed out. The technician said that the coolant is supposed to be flushed every 30,000 miles. He said that the color of the coolant was off which meant that it was worn out. He warned

that if the coolant was not flushed, it would lead to overheating and cause damage to the engine. He recommended the engine coolant be flushed out due to its abnormal color. The operator said he had found a \$15.00 coupon but could not print it; the technician said he still would honor it. The operator authorized the cooling system flush.

- e. The operator then signed and received a copy of an estimate.
- f. After the services were completed, the technician told the operator that there was a lot of sludge in the radiator but they were able to remove it. He added that the car really needed the coolant flush. The operator paid \$120.57 (after a \$15.00 discount), including \$89.99 for the radiator flush. The invoice stated the transmission fluid level was "N/A."
- g. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on August 22, 2013, at 74,832 miles. The engine oil, filter, and coolant had been replaced. The tamper indicators on the transmission drain and fill plugs were intact and undisturbed.

# SEVENTY-NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

128. The allegations in paragraph 127 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256362 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's cooling system (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the color of the coolant was off which meant that it was worn out. He recommended the engine coolant be flushed out due to its abnormal color. After the service was completed, he said that there was a lot of sludge in the radiator but they were able to remove it. He added that the car really needed the coolant flush. In fact, the coolant was properly mixed, clean, and full. The service manual does not specify performing a coolant flush. The manufacturer strongly recommends avoiding using any flush system on its vehicles. The car's cooling system did not need to be serviced.

#### EIGHTIETH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Failure to Give Written Estimate Before Beginning Work Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

129. The allegations in paragraph 127 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256362 to discipline for failing to give a written estimate before inspecting and recommending replacing the car's coolant (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

## EIGHTY-FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

130. The allegations in paragraph 127 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256362 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the transmission fluid level was "N/A" (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the transmission fluid level could be checked and the tamper indicators on the transmission were intact and undisturbed.

- 131. a. From July 30 to August 2, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2000 Toyota with 95,949 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative ensured that the brake fluid was at the proper level.
- b. The manufacturer recommends "API grade SH, energy-conserving II multigrade engine oil or ILSAC multigrade engine oil and recommended viscosity oil with SAE 5W-30 being the preferred oil." The manufacturer makes no recommendation for synthetic oil.
- c. On August 21, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #2351, 865 Abrego Street, Monterey, California. The mileage at the time was 95,957. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, the technician talked to the operator about what engine oil change option he wanted. The operator asked the technician what the manufacturer recommends. The technician said that the manufacturer recommends a synthetic blend oil instead

of regular oil because it lasts longer and has 10 percent less wear on the piston rings. The operator authorized the synthetic oil change.

- e. After the services were completed, the operator paid the invoice, including \$54.99 for the synthetic oil change. The invoice stated that the battery was maintenance free and the brake fluid was low.
- f. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on August 23, 2013, at 95,961 miles. The engine oil and filter had been changed. The car had a battery which was not maintenance free and had caps to add water. The brake fluid still was at the proper level.

# EIGHTY-SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

132. The allegations in paragraph 131 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256364 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's manufacturer recommending synthetic engine oil (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the manufacturer recommends a synthetic blend engine oil instead of regular oil. In fact, the manufacturer recommends "API grade SH, energy-conserving II multigrade engine oil or ILSAC multigrade engine oil and recommended viscosity oil with SAE 5W-30 being the preferred oil." The manufacturer makes no recommendation for synthetic engine oil.

# EIGHTY-THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

133. The allegations in paragraph 131 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256364 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the battery was maintenance free and the brake fluid was low (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373).

In fact, the battery was not maintenance free and had caps to add water. Additionally, the brake fluid was not low.

- documented a 2001 Pontiac with 149,812 miles. As part this extensive documented service procedure, the representative inspected and serviced the car's automatic transmission, including replacing the transmission fluid and filter. He installed tamper indicators on the transmission pan, transmission cooler lines, air filter cleaner assembly, rear axle fill plug, rear axle cover, power steering fluid cap, windshield washer fluid cap, all four tire valve stem caps, and the coolant reservoir cap (the coolant reservoir is opaque). The engine oil was full. The representative had replaced the car's fuel filter on a previous documented service procedure on May 2, 2013, at 149,781 miles.
- b. The service manual specifics changing the transmission fluid every 15,000 miles. It specifies changing the transmission filter every time the fluid is changed. The manufacturer does not specify any service interval for replacing the fuel filter.
- c. On August 27, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #1300, 2940 Bowers Avenue, Santa Clara, California. The mileage at the time was 149,835. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician told the operator that the transmission fluid should be replaced every 15,000 miles. The operator said he did not know if the transmission fluid had already been replaced and asked the technician to inspect it. The technician said he already had inspected it. He said that it looked to be in moderate condition and probably in need of service. The operator authorized the transmission fluid replacement.
- e. The technician then said that the fuel filter needed to be replaced and asked the operator when it had been done last. The operator said he did not know if it had been replaced and asked the technician its condition. The technician said he recommended replacing the fuel filter because of the car's mileage. The operator authorized the fuel filter replacement. The technician said he would give the operator a \$15.00 discount although the operator had forgotten

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g. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$233.41 (after a \$15.25 discount), including \$119.99 for the transmission fluid replacement and \$59.99 for the fuel filter replacement. The invoice stated that the air filter, differential fluid level, power steering fluid level, tire pressures, and radiator overflow reservoir and all been checked. The invoice also stated that windshield washer fluid had been added.

h. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on September 3, 2013, at 149,848 miles. The engine oil and filter had been replaced but the oil was 8 ounces overfilled. The transmission filter had not been replaced. The tamper indicators on the air filter cleaner assembly, rear axle fill plug, rear axle cover, power steering fluid cap, windshield washer fluid cap, all four tire valve stem caps, and the coolant reservoir cap were intact and undisturbed.

#### EIGHTY-FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Transmission Fluid) Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

135. The allegations in paragraph 134 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256324 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's transmission fluid (Bus, & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1). 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the car's transmission fluid was in moderate condition and probably in need of service. In fact, the transmission fluid had been changed before the car was brought into the station. The transmission fluid did not need to be changed.

### EIGHTY-FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Fuel Filter) Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

The allegations in paragraph 134 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

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ARD 256324 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's fuel filter (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that he recommended replacing the fuel filter because of the car's mileage. In fact, the manufacturer does not specify replacing the fuel filter at any service interval and the car's fuel filter had recently been replaced.

EIGHTY-SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
Failure to Give Written Estimate Before Beginning Work
Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and
California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

137. The allegations in paragraph 134 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256324 to discipline for failing to give a written estimate before inspecting and recommending changing the car's transmission fluid (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

# EIGHTY-SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Material Departure from Accepted Trade Standards for Good and Workmanlike Repair (Transmission Filter) Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(7)

138. The allegations in paragraph 134 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256324 to discipline for materially departing from accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike repair by failing to replace the transmission filter with the transmission fluid change (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.7, subd. (a)(7)).

# EIGHTY-EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Material Departure from Accepted Trade Standards for Good and Workmanlike Repair (Oil Overfill) Business and Professions Code section 9884.7, subdivision (a)(7)

139. The allegations in paragraph 134 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256324 to discipline for materially departing from accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike repair by overfilling the engine oil by eight ounces (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.7, subd. (a)(7)).

#### EIGHTY-NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

False or Misleading Records
Business and Professions Code section 17500 and
California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

140. The allegations in paragraph 134 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256324 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the air filter, differential fluid level, power steering fluid level, tire pressures, and radiator overflow reservoir and all been checked, and that the windshield washer fluid had been added. (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the air filter, differential fluid level, power steering fluid level, tire pressures, and radiator overflow reservoir had not been checked, and windshield washer fluid had not been added, because the tamper indicators on the air filter cleaner assembly, rear axle fill plug, rear axle cover, power steering fluid cap, windshield washer fluid cap, all four tire valve stem caps, and the coolant reservoir cap were still intact and undisturbed.

- 141. a. From August 2 to August 8, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 1997 Honda Accord with 86,300 miles. As part of his previous documented service procedure at 86,276 miles, the representative had changed the transmission fluid.
- b. On August 28, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #295, 999 West El Camino Real, Sunnyvale, California. The mileage at the time was 86,308. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- c. After a short time, a technician told the operator that there were metal particles in the transmission fluid. He recommended a transmission service which the operator authorized. The technician said he would honor a \$15.00 coupon from the Jiffy Lube website.
  - d. The operator signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.
  - e. After the service was completed, the operator paid \$165.36 (after a \$15.00

discount), including \$119.99 for the transmission fluid change.

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drive vehicles every 150,000 miles under normal use. The manual also states that a rear axle with synthetic lubricant is lubricated for life and is not to be checked or changed unless a leak is suspected or the axle assembly has been submerged in water. The manual specifies inspecting tires every 5,000 miles and rotating for optimal tire life.

- c. On September 5, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #2355, 19480 Stevens Creek Boulevard, Cupertino, California. The mileage at this time was 112,992. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a service technician told the operator that the power steering fluid and differential fluid were low. When the technician asked the operator about the car's service history, the operator said he did not know because he had just gotten the car. The technician said the car needs a rear differential service and tire rotation. He said that the car requires synthetic differential oil, but he offered the operator a discount by charging only for conventional differential oil. The operator authorized the differential service and tire rotation.
  - e. The operator signed an estimate but did not receive a copy.
- f. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$144.26 (after a \$5.00 discount), including \$49.99 for the differential service and \$24.99 for the tire rotation. The invoice stated that power steering fluid was added.
- g. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on September 5, 2013, at 112,993 miles. The engine oil and filter had been replaced. The tamper seal on the differential fill plug was broken but the tamper seal on the cover bolt was intact. The differential housing had what appeared to be new fluid on it but the representative could not determine if the fluid had been changed. The tires were new, had been installed less than 10 miles before the re-inspection, and still had the rubber nubs on the treads from the manufacturing process; the representative could not determine if the tires had been rotated.

### NINETY-SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Differential Fluid)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

145. The allegations in paragraph 144 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if

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fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256347 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's differential fluid (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician told the operator that the differential fluid was low and recommended a differential service. In fact, the program representative had changed and filled the differential fluid. Moreover, the service manual recommends changing the rear differential fluid for rear-wheel drive vehicles under normal use every 150,000 miles. The differential did not need to be serviced.

#### NINETY-THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Tires)
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4),
17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

146. The allegations in paragraph 144 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256347 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car's tires (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician recommended rotating the tires even though the tires were new and still had the rubber nubs on the treads from the manufacturing process. The tires did not need to be rotated.

### NINETY-FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Failure to Provide Copy of Signed Estimate
Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(3), 9884.9, subdivision (a),
and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

147. The allegations in paragraph 144 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256347 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

#### 34. ARD 256345

148. a. From August 15, 2013 to September 3, 2013, a Bureau representative

inspected and documented a 2000 Honda with 55,402 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative installed a new battery. The engine oil was at the full mark. The car drove normally and ran smoothly.

- b. The service manual does not specify performing an engine flush or a fuel flush. In fact, the manufacturer strongly recommends avoiding using any flush system on its vehicles. The color of an air filter is not an indication of carbon build up in the fuel system.
- c. On September 5, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #2346, 1030 Saratoga Avenue, San Jose, California. The mileage at the time was 55,413. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- d. After a short time, a technician showed the operator the car's air filter. The technician said that based on the filter's black color, the fuel system has carbon build-up and needs a fuel system flush. He said cleaning the fuel system also improves fuel efficiency. The operator authorized the fuel system flush.
  - e. The operator then signed and received a copy of an estimate.
- f. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$115.45 (after a \$5.00 discount), including \$59.99 for the fuel system cleaning. The invoice stated that the battery water level was "OK" and the engine oil was one quart low on arrival at the station.
- g. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car from September 12 to September 17, 2013, at 55,416 miles. The area around the battery had not been disturbed. The representative could not determine if the engine had been flushed or the fuel system had been cleaned.

# NINETY-FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

149. The allegations in paragraph 148 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256345 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the car needing an fuel system flush (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd.

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(a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that a dirty air filter indicated that there was carbon build-up inside the engine and that a fuel system flush was recommended. The technician said that fuel system cleaning would further increase the car's fuel efficiency. In fact, the car's service manual does not specify performing an engine flush and the manufacturer strongly recommends avoiding using any flush system. Moreover, the color of an air filter is not an indication of carbon build up in the fuel system. The fuel system did not need to be serviced.

NINETY-SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
Failure to Give Written Estimate Before Beginning Work
Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and
California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

150. The allegations in paragraph 148 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256345 to discipline for failing to give a written estimate before inspecting the car's air filter and recommending a fuel system flush (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

### NINETY-SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

151. The allegations in paragraph 148 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondent has subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256345 to discipline for issuing an invoice which stated that the battery water level was "OK" and the engine oil was one quart low on arrival at the station (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the battery water level had not been checked because the area around the battery had not been disturbed, and the engine oil was full.

- 152. a. From August 27 to September 10, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2002 Honda with 67,594 miles.
- b. On September 13, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the car to Jiffy Lube #297, 1387 Camden Avenue, Campbell, California. The mileage at this time was

fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

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ARD 256312 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator at the time he signed it and before a technician worked on the car (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(3), 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

# ONE HUNDREDTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Failure to Receive Authorization for Materials Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (c)

155. The allegations in paragraph 152 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256312 to discipline for failing to receive the operator's authorization for a \$30.00 gear oil upcharge included on the invoice (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (c)).

- 156. a. From August 27 to September 10, 2013, a Bureau representative inspected and documented a 2003 Dodge with 111,517 miles. As part of this extensive documented service procedure, the representative filled the engine oil to a proper level about one-half quart less than capacity. The engine oil filter access door was in place. He installed tamper indicators in various places on the vehicle, including the transmission fill plug, transfer case fill plug, and front axle/differential fill plug
- b. On September 20, 2013, a Bureau undercover operator drove the vehicle to Jiffy Lube #2332, 2302 Almaden Road, San Jose, California. The mileage at the time was 111,539. The operator said he wanted an oil change. He was directed to the waiting area.
- c. After a short time, a service technician told the operator that the tires needed to be rotated since the tires with the most tread should be on the front so they would wear evenly. The operator authorized the tire rotation.
- d. The technician then recommended high mileage engine oil because the vehicle arrived with low engine oil. The technician said the vehicle was burning oil and that high mileage oil would help seal any leaks and prevent burning oil. The operator authorized the high mileage oil.

- e. The operator was not asked to sign and did not receive a written estimate.
- f. After the services were completed, the operator paid \$93.11, including \$29.99 for the tire rotation and \$59.98 for the engine oil change with high mileage oil. The invoice stated that transmission/transaxle fluid level was "OK," the differential fluid level was "OK," the transfer case fluid level was "N/A," the front differential fluid level was "N/A," and the engine oil was one quart low on arrival at the station. The operator saw that the vehicle's tires were nearly new and the treads still had the rubber nubs from the manufacturing process.
- g. The Bureau representative re-inspected the car on October 1, 2013, at 111,552 miles. The engine oil and filter had been replaced. The tamper indicators on the transmission fill plug, transfer case fill plug, and front axle/differential fill plug were intact and undisturbed. The engine oil filter access door was missing.

# ONE HUNDRED FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (Tire Rotation) Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

157. The allegations in paragraph 156 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256339 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair competition related to the tires (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician said that the tires needed to be rotated since the tires with the most tread should be on the front so they would wear evenly. In fact, the vehicle's tires were nearly new and the treads still had the rubber nubs from the manufacturing process. The tires did not need to be rotated.

# ONE HUNDRED SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE Untrue or Misleading Statements; Fraud; Unfair Competition (High Mileage Oil) Business and Professions Code sections 9884.7, subdivision (a)(1), 9884.7, subdivision (a)(4), 17200, and 17500; and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3371

158. The allegations in paragraph 156 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256339 to discipline for making untrue or misleading statements, fraud, and unfair

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competition related to engine oil (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 9884.7, subd. (a)(1), 9884.7, subd. (a)(4), 17200 & 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit 16, § 3371). The technician recommended high mileage engine oil because the vehicle arrived with low engine oil. The technician said the vehicle was burning oil and that high mileage oil would help seal any leaks and prevent burning oil. In fact, the engine oil was filled to a proper level about one-half quart less than capacity. The vehicle did not need high mileage engine oil.

### ONE HUNDRED THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

Failure to Provide Copy of Estimate
Business and Professions Code section 9884.9, subdivision (a), and California Code of
Regulations, title 16, section 3353, subdivision (a)

159. The allegations in paragraph 156 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondent have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.

ARD 256339 to discipline for failing to provide a copy of the estimate to the operator before a technician worked on the vehicle (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 9884.9, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3353, subd. (a)).

## ONE HUNDRED FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE False or Misleading Records

Business and Professions Code section 17500 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3373

160. The allegations in paragraph 156 are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Respondents have subjected Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256339 to discipline for issuing an invoice that stated that transmission/transaxle fluid level was "OK," the differential fluid level was "OK," the transfer case fluid level was "N/A," the front differential fluid level was "N/A," and the oil level was one quart low on arrival at the station (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 17500; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 16, § 3373). In fact, the transmission/transaxle fluid level, the differential fluid level, the transfer case fluid level, and the front differential fluid level were not checked because the tamper indicators on the transmission fill plug, transfer case fill plug, and front axle/differential fill plug were intact and undisturbed. Also, the engine oil was filled to a proper level about one-half quart less than capacity.

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	Ρ.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256319, Jiffy Lube #889
	Q.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256317, Jiffy Lube #655
	R.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256328, Jiffy Lube
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	S.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256320, Jiffy Lube
#1054		
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8		AA.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256344, Jiffy Lube
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10	}	AB.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256349, Jiffy Lube
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12		AC.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256346, Jiffy Lube
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14		AD.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256362, Jiffy Lube
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16		AE.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256364, Jiffy Lube
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18		AF.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256324, Jiffy Lube
19	#1300		
20		AG.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256310, Jiffy Lube #295
21		AH.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256347, Jiffy Lube
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6	#1988;			
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8	#1856;	•		
9		AQ.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254775, Jiffy Lube	
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12	#1532;			
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14	#1406;			
15		AT.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256365, Jiffy Lube	
16	#2716;			
17	·	AU.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 259001, Jiffy Lube	
18	#1858;			
19		AV.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254507, Jiffy Lube	
20	#1339;			
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22	#1299;			
23		AX.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 256322, Jiffy Lube	
24	#1158;			
25		AY.	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 254481, Jiffy Lube	
26	#1287;			
27	2.		ing respondents Anthony and Joann Fanticola, Family Limited Partnership	
28	(FLP), Member MC LLC, to pay the Bureau of Automotive Repair the reasonable costs of the			
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3	3.	Taking such other and furt	ner action as deemed necessary	and proper.		
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5	DATED: <u></u>	ugust 12, 2015	PATRICK DORAIS			
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