Clean Air Vehicle (CAV) Decal Update

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New Legislation
Effective September 13, 2016, legislation removed the statutory limit on CAV green decals for vehicles that meet California’s enhanced advanced technology partial zero-emissions vehicles (enhanced ATPZEV) or transitional zero-emission vehicles (TZEV) standards for exhaust emissions. Individuals who submitted an application and have been in the queue for these decals will be contacted by the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to submit their payment of $22. The dealer advance purchase program for these decals will also be reinstated.

Procedures
Continue to follow procedures in the Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual, Chapter 25 for processing a CAV green decal.

Background
The CAV green decal had a statutory limit of 85,000, which was met in December 2015. DMV continued to accept applications for this decal, without payment, to establish a queue for requests should additional decals be authorized.

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References
California Vehicle Code §§5205.5 and 21655.9
California Code of Regulations, Title 13 §156.00
Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual, Chapter 25
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