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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE BOARD
MINUTES

The New Motor Vehicle Board (“Board”) held a Special meeting on October 10, 2019, in The William G. Brennan Hearing Room, at the Board’s offices.

Kathryn Doi, President and Public Member, called the meeting of the Board to order at 10:31 a.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Board Members Present: Kathryn Ellen Doi
Ardashes “Ardy” Kassakhian
Nanxi Liu
Bismarck Obando

Board Members Absent: Glenn E. Stevens

Board Staff Present: Timothy M. Corcoran, Executive Director
Robin P. Parker, Senior Staff Counsel
Danielle R. Phomsopha, Staff Counsel
Dawn Kindel, Chief of Staff
Makalla Turner, Legal Office Assistant

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Obando led the members and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **CONSIDERATION OF PETITION REQUESTING THAT THE BOARD DIRECT DMV TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION OF THE MATTERS CONTAINED THEREIN OR ORDER DMV TO EXERCISE ITS AUTHORITY AND POWER TO INITIATE DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST RESPONDENT’S OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE PURSUANT TO VEHICLE CODE SECTION 3050(c)(1) AND (3)**

MITSUBISHI MOTORS NORTH AMERICA, INC., a California Corporation v. NEXTMOTORS CORPORATION, a California Corporation dba Oakland Mitsubishi
Petition No. P-461-19

Consideration of Petition requesting that the Board direct DMV to conduct an investigation of the matters contained therein or order DMV to exercise its authority and power to initiate proceedings against Oakland Mitsubishi to revoke its license under Section 11705, by the Public Members of the Board.

Oral arguments were presented before the Public Members of the Board. Lisa M. Gibson, Esq. of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP represented Petitioner. Ms. Gibson appeared telephonically due to a problem with her flight. Christian J. Scali, Esq. and Jade F. Jurdi, Esq. of Scali Rasmussen represented Respondent. Also present on behalf of Respondent was Chris Kwei, President of NextMotors Corporation and the dealer principal.

Lengthy presentations were presented by counsel for the parties along with comments from Chris Kwei. Ms. Doi commented that one of her concerns was that the petition and answer were not verified so it was all hearsay because nothing was under oath. Mr. Obando and Mr. Kassakhian echoed her concerns.

The Public Members of the Board deliberated in Open Session. Mr. Obando moved to dismiss the petition. Mr. Kassakhian seconded the motion. Ms. Doi asked for additional comment from the members and suggested the dismissal be without prejudice. The motion was amended. The motion carried unanimously.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** (Gov. Code § 11125.7)


No additional public comment was presented.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:49 a.m.

Submitted by 

TIMOTHY M. CORCORAN
Executive Director

APPROVED: 

Kathryn E. Doi
President
New Motor Vehicle Board