



**AIR POLLUTION
CONTROL DISTRICT**
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

March 6, 2006

Kunihisa Tomita
ANEST IWATA USA, Inc.
9920 Windisch Road
West Chester, Ohio 45069-3804

Re: W400-LV Spray Gun


Dear Mr. Tomita:

You have requested pre-approval of the W400-LV spray gun as meeting the high-volume, low-pressure (HVLP) transfer efficiency requirement of District Rule 423, Motor Vehicle Coating Operations. This District relies on the California Air Resources Board's (CARB's) equipment precertification program for such pre-approvals and we have no formal process of our own. However, we can understand why you may not want to go to the expense of pursuing CARB's approval.

This is to indicate that any request by an applicant to use your equipment in lieu of an HVLP spray gun for automobile refinishing must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. If their proposal is consistent with the constraints identified for approval in the South Coast Air Quality Management District's letter to you of February 17, 2006, and the applicant refers to that approval, we will most likely allow the W400-LV spray gun to be used in lieu of HVLP technology.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 805-781-5912 or ddixon_apcd@co.slo.ca.us.

Sincerely,


DAVID W. DIXON
Engineering Supervisor

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