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VW emissions scandal now extends to Porsche

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Porsche Cayenne Diesel, 2015 model

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German automaker Volkswagen's emission cheating scandal may now include Porsche-made models.

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On Nov. 2, United States regulators said 10,000 Porsche vehicles contained software that allowed the Volkswagen-owned automaker to give false reading during emissions testing. With 10,000 vehicles added to the approximately 500,000 U.S. automobiles cited by the Environmental Protection Agency and California regulators, the increase will continue to hurt Volkswagen's credibility.

More trouble

In September, Audi said that 2.1 million of its diesel-powered cars were outfitted with the software its parent company Volkswagen used to cheat emissions tests.

According to [Reuters](#), 1.42 million of the vehicles sold in Europe include the faulty engine, while 13,000 were sold in the United States. Audi, as part of the Volkswagen Group, will have to regain a level of trust from consumers following this news ([see story](#)).

Audi's A6 Quattro, A7 Quattro, A8, A8L and Q5 models from 2016 are said to be affected.

Regarding the 10,000 model add-on, Porsche issued a statement saying, "We are surprised to learn this information. Until this notice, all of our information was that the Porsche Cayenne Diesel is fully compliant."

Volkswagen has set aside \$7.3 million to pay for the scandal, an amount equivalent to nearly half of last year's profits, and the EPA could fine the company up to \$37,500 for each of the 482,000, totaling nearly \$18 billion ([see story](#)).



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But, as reported by [CNN Money](#), consumers who drive Volkswagen Jettas will be easily satisfied with whatever compensation the automaker gives, while mending relations with Porsche owners, due to the higher price tag, will be more difficult.

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