

Diesel Will Cost even more in 2010

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Daimler Sets Surcharges for 2010 Cummins Diesel Engines

Daimler Trucks North America said it will add a \$9,000 surcharge to its 2010 trucks for customers who select independent manufacturer Cummins Inc.'s 2010 heavy-duty engine. It said the surcharge would apply to the 2010 Cummins ISX15 because of new emissions technology needed to meet EPA emission standards that take effect for 2010 model trucks on Jan. 1. It said it would add a surcharge of \$7,300 for the 2010 Cummins ISC 8.3 engine, and \$6,700 for vehicles equipped with Cummins ISB6.7 engines. Last month, the company announced it would put the same \$9,000 surcharge on Detroit Diesel Corp.'s big-bore DD15 and DD16 engines, as well as the mid-bore DD13. Global truck maker Daimler AG is the parent company of DTNA.

Urea/DEF/SRC Facts

Beginning in 2010, most all new diesel trucks will be fitted with tanks of Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) or known as UREA. This will allow the diesel engines to comply with the 2010 EPA NOx emission standard.

HERE ARE THE TRUTHS

\$ DEF tanks will hold around 30 gallons of UREA @ 9 lbs per gallon. When these tanks are full they will add 270 to 350lbs to the vehicle.

\$ Diesel engines will use 1 gallon of UREA per every 300 miles driven and will be required to be refilled every 9,000 miles.

\$ DEF is estimated to high cost of \$6.00 dollars per gallon. So if you rack up 120,000 miles per year you can add \$2,400.00 to your fueling cost.

\$ Don't forget that the new UREA fuel tank will be required to be heated to keep the Urea from freezing which will add to the cost as well.