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Detroit Diesel seeks EPA certification

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Detroit Diesel Corp. has applied for its DD13 and DD15 engines with BlueTec emissions control systems to be certified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the California Air Resource Board to comply with 2010 emissions standards, the Redford, Mich.-based company announced today, Sept. 30. The engine maker said it plans to file for certification on the DD16 in October.

The applications provide the EPA and CARB with results of more than 25 million miles of test drives and documentation required to validate that the engine systems are in compliance with new 2010 emissions standards for reducing NOx and particulate matter set by the EPA in December 2000 and CARB in October 2001.

"We are pleased with test results confirming that our Detroit Diesel engines with BlueTec consistently meet the 2010 emissions standards," said Rakesh Aneja, Detroit Diesel's 2010 program manager. "Pre-production of our 2010 trucks and engines is already under way."

"After a decade of investment in both resources and funding to design, develop, integrate and test both engine and emissions control technologies, the early application for certification of our most popular engines brings tremendous satisfaction to the team at Detroit Diesel and Daimler Trucks North America," said David Siler, director of marketing, Detroit Diesel.

Detroit Diesel chose selective catalytic reduction as its primary means of meeting the EPA 2010 emissions regulations. SCR has proven to be an effective means to reduce NOx emissions and the only proven technology for meeting the EPA 2010 standards as measured at the tailpipe, the company said in a news release.