

Table 1: Violation Summary – Installation of Defeat Devices

Part(s) #	Tampering Date	Product(s) Description	Truck No.	Tampered Emission Controls	Vehicle Make & Model
SD-CS-6.0-EGRD-18	6/13/18	Ford 6.0 Diesel EGR Delete Kit	TK #146	EGR	2005 Ford, F 450 series, diesel, 6.0 L
SPE-67EGRD, SPE1117PSDEZ, 125113	3/20/19	EGR Delete Test Kit, EZ Lynk Tune, Test Pipe	TNT Truck #1	DPF, EGR, OBD	2014 Ford, F550 series, diesel, 6.7 L

6. Respondent certifies that it has not had the same, or closely related violation(s), that were the subject of an enforcement action under Title II of the CAA within five (5) years of the date of Respondent’s execution of this Agreement.
7. Respondent certifies that it has provided EPA with true and accurate documentation demonstrating completion of remedial measures to correct the violations alleged above and come into compliance with the CAA.
8. EPA and Respondent agree that settlement of this matter for a penalty in the amount of **FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY SIX DOLLARS (\$4,876)**, which Respondent shall be liable to pay in accordance with the terms and provisions set forth below, is reasonable in the public interest and is based upon EPA’s consideration of the statutory factors set forth in Section 205(c)(2) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7524(c)(2), which include the gravity of the violation, the economic benefit or savings (if any) resulting from the violation, the size of the violator’s business, the violator’s history of compliance with this subchapter, action taken to remedy the violation, the effect of the penalty on the violator’s ability to continue in business, and such other matters as justice may require. These factors were applied to the particular facts and circumstances of this case with specific reference to EPA’s June 21, 2019 Recommendation to Approve Expedited Settlement Agreement Pilot for Clean Air Act Vehicle and Engine Violations – Tampering/Defeat Devices policy, the appropriate Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalties for Inflation, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Part 19, and the applicable EPA memoranda addressing EPA’s civil penalty policies to account for inflation.
9. Respondent agrees that, within thirty (30) calendar days of the effective date of this Agreement, Respondent shall make a payment of **FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY SIX DOLLARS (\$4,876)**, by one of following four (4) methods, as further specified and directed below: a) electronic funds transfer (“EFT”); b) Automated Clearinghouse; c) Pay.gov; or d) a cashier’s check, or certified check, payable to the “United States Treasury” with the case name, address and docket number of this Agreement (CAA-03-2021-0075) referenced on the check for the amount specified above. A list of the payment methods is also provided on the website <https://www.epa.gov/financial/makepayment>.

a) Payment of the penalty amount by EFT to:

Federal Reserve Bank of New York
 ABA 021030004
 Account 68010727
 SWIFT address FRNYUS33

33 Liberty Street
New York, NY 10045
Beneficiary: Environmental Protection Agency

- b) Payment of the penalty amount by **Automated Clearinghouse (ACH)** to EPA can be made through the U.S. Treasury using the following information:

U.S. Treasury REX/Cashlink ACH Receiver

ABA: 051036706

Account Number: 310006, Environmental Protection Agency

CTX Format Transaction Code 22- Checking

Physical Location of the U.S. Treasury Facility

5700 Rivertech Court

Riverdale, MD 20737

Remittance Express (REX): 1-866-234-5681

- c) Payment of the penalty amount made **through Pay.gov**:

Payers can use their credit or debit cards (Visa, MasterCard, American Express & Discover) as well as checking account information to make payments. Follow these steps to make a payment:

- (1) You DO NOT need a username and password or account.
- (2) Enter SFO 1.1 in the form search box on the top left side of the screen.
- (3) Open the form and follow the on-screen instructions.
- (4) Select your method of payment from the "Type of Payment" drop down menu.
- (5) Based on your selection, the corresponding line will open and no longer be shaded grey.
- (6) Enter the docket number of this Agreement (CAA-03-2021-0075) into the field.

- d) Payment of the penalty amount by **cashier's check, or by certified check**, payable to the "United States Treasury" with the case name, address and docket number of this Agreement (CAA-03-2021-0075) referenced on the check which shall be sent:

- (1) via certified mail to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Cincinnati Finance Center
P.O. Box 979077

St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

or

- (2) via overnight mail (FedEx or other non-U.S. Postal Service express mail) to:

U.S. Bank
1005 Convention Plaza
Mail Station SL-MO-C2GL
St. Louis, MO 63101

10. Within twenty-four (24) hours of making payment, the Respondent shall also send proof of such payment (a copy of the check, confirmation of credit card or debit card payment, confirmation of wire transfer or of automated clearinghouse transfer) by email to:

Isabella Powers (3ED21)
Powers.isabella@epa.gov

and

Regional Hearing Clerk (3RC00)
R3_Hearing_Clerk@epa.gov

11. In signing this Agreement, the Respondent:
- a) admits the jurisdictional allegations set forth in this Agreement;
 - b) neither admits nor denies the specific factual allegations set forth in this Agreement, except as provided in the jurisdictional admission above;
 - c) agrees not to contest EPA's jurisdiction with respect to the execution of this Agreement, the issuance of the attached Final Order, or the enforcement the Agreement;
 - d) expressly waives its right to a hearing on any issue of law or fact set forth in this Agreement and any right to appeal the accompanying Final Order;
 - e) consents to the issuance of this Agreement and agrees to comply with its terms;
 - f) agrees to bear its own costs and attorney's fees; and
 - g) agrees not to deduct for federal tax purposes the civil penalty assessed in this Agreement.
12. By its signature below, Respondent certifies, that any information or representation it has supplied or made to EPA concerning this matter was, at the time of submission true, accurate, and complete and that there has been no material change regarding the truthfulness, accuracy or completeness of such information or representation. EPA shall have the right to institute further

actions to recover appropriate relief if EPA obtains evidence that any information provided and/or representations made by Respondent to the EPA regarding matters relevant to this Agreement are false or, in any material respect, inaccurate. This right shall be in addition to all other rights and causes of action that EPA may have, civil or criminal, under law or equity in such event. Respondent and its officers, directors and agents are aware that the submission of false or misleading information to the United States government may subject a person to separate civil and/or criminal liability.

- 13. This Agreement and attached Final Order constitute a settlement by EPA of its claims for civil penalties for the violations alleged in this Agreement.
- 14. EPA reserves the right to commence action against any person, including Respondent, in response to any condition which EPA determines may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health, public welfare, or the environment. In addition, this settlement is subject to all limitations on the scope of resolution and to the reservation of rights set forth in Sections 22.18(c) and 22.31(a) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice. Further, EPA reserves any rights and remedies available to it under the CAA, the regulations promulgated thereunder, and any other federal laws or regulations for which EPA has jurisdiction, to enforce the provisions of this Agreement, following its filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.
- 15. Late payment of the agreed upon penalty may subject Respondent to interest, administrative costs and late payment penalties in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 13.11.
- 16. This Agreement is binding on the parties signing below and is effective upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk pursuant to the Consolidated Rules of Practice, in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 22.31(b).
- 17. The undersigned representative certifies that she/he is fully authorized to execute this Agreement and to legally bind Respondent.
- 18. As permitted under 40 CFR § 22.6, the Regional Hearing Clerk will serve copies of this Agreement and Final Order by e-mail to the parties at the following valid e-mail addresses: powers.isabella@epa.gov (for Complainant), and info@payneslinesandsigns.com (for Respondent).

For Respondent: Payne's Parking Designs, Inc.

Name: Mr. Steven Payne

Title: Owner

Signature: 

Date: March 05, 2021

For Complainant: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III

After reviewing the Agreement and other pertinent matters, I, the undersigned Director of the Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and recommend that the Regional Administrator, or his/her designee, the Regional Judicial Officer, issue the attached Final Order.

Date

Karen Melvin, Director
Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division

The effective date of the foregoing Expedited Settlement Agreement and this Final Order is the date on which this Final Order is filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

Date

Joseph J. Lisa
Regional Judicial Officer
U.S. EPA - Region III