

Volkswagen emissions scandal Legal Actions in Israel

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Regulation Prior the Dieselpgate Scandal

- Each year, 1100 people die from air pollution caused by transportation
- In order to reduce air pollution, Israel legislated the Clean Air Act in 2008
- Emissions from diesel engines were defined in 2012 by the World Health Organization as a definite cause of cancer



Dieseldgate Scandal

- Revealed in September 2015
- Volkswagen had intentionally programmed turbocharged direct injection (TDI) diesel engines to activate their emissions control only during laboratory emission testing
- The real emission was 40 times more than the limit

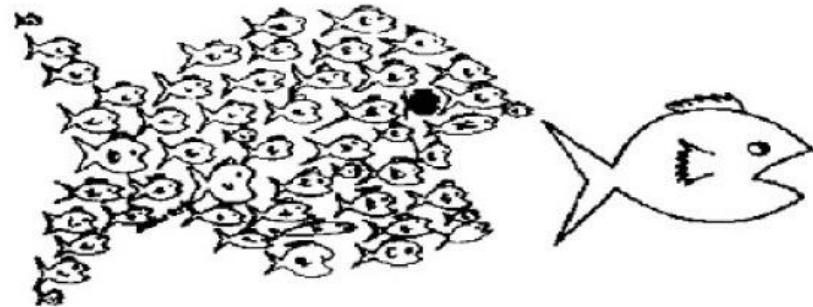


Legal Actions Following the Dieselgate Scandal



Israel – Class Actions

- 9 motions requesting to approve claims as class actions were filed with the Tel Aviv District Court during September-October 2015
- Some of the motions were declined
- Court unified three files into one (which is still ongoing in Court)



CA 756-10-15 Golan and Others v. Volkswagen

- Plaintiffs own a Volkswagen or Audi vehicle which had the “defeat device” which has the ability to falsify the level of pollution
- The damage demanded is in respect of depreciation of the vehicles
- There are over 20,000 vehicles in Israel which have the defeat device (Volkswagen, Siat, Audi and Skoda)



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- The main reason for submitting the claim is vehicle depreciation
- Furthermore, the group of Plaintiffs demand a re-call of all the vehicles which have the defeated devices
- The first pre-trial hearing was scheduled for April 2018



Regulation in Israel After the Dieselgate Scandal



New Regulations in respect of Diesel Engines

On 12 March 2018 the Israeli “Knesset” approved new regulations in order to reduce the air pollution caused by diesel engines



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