

Ford Investigating Engines In Europe For Fire Risk

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DETROIT (AP) — Ford is expanding an investigation of engine fires to Europe.

The company said Tuesday that it has had seven reports of fires in 1.6-liter EcoBoost engines sold in Europe. The engines are used in the Focus and Mondeo sedans and Galaxy minivan.

Last week Ford recalled more than 89,000 new Escape SUVs and Fusion sedans in North America because the 1.6-liter engine can overheat and catch fire. The company said it had 13 reports of fires in those vehicles. It told owners to stop driving their vehicles and use free loaner cars from dealers until the problem is fixed.

Ford hasn't yet recalled any vehicles in Europe.

The company said it has not yet determined the cause of the engine fires.

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