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Through its environmental policy on its sites, its active research in the field of urban mobility and its initiatives in the areas of health and well-being at work, in 2008 Renault Trucks restated its commitment to the founding principles of the Global Compact.

**Environment and urban mobility**

The Company dedicated a substantial portion of its research activities to developing more environmentally-friendly vehicles and, as such, was actively involved in the Environment Grenelle. Nevertheless, even before implementing the Grenelle findings, Renault Trucks had decided to dedicate its research and development effort to the creation of "green" vehicles, particularly through various European research programmes. Thus, through its involvement in the FIDEUS Programme, the Company has succeeded in developing the first urban distribution vehicle which adjusts to the needs of its environment: less noise (down to under 6db(A) and less pollution in order to limit environmental impact, greater efficiency to limit downtime (thanks to interactive communication systems) and greater safety to protect urban road users.

Renault Trucks' hybrid technology became a reality with Hybris Tech which is particularly well suited to urban distribution and road maintenance activities. This so-called "parallel" hybrid technology combines the benefits of the diesel engine and the electric engine and allows up to 30% reductions in fuel consumption and CO2 emissions. In order to meet the sometimes stringent dimensional and environmental constraints of European city centres, Renault Trucks has also developed a 100% electric light commercial vehicle concept (with a payload of 1.5 tons) which is extremely quiet, completely nonpollutant and generates no CO2. This little truck is based on the 4.5 ton Maxity model.

The "Optifuel" driver training which seeks to reduce hauliers' fuel consumption and as a result, CO2 emissions too, continues and is being rolled out in other countries. Furthermore, Renault Trucks this year presented its Premium Optifuel concept, Generation 2010 – a "laboratory vehicle" supporting a research programme seeking to reduce diesel consumption and CO2 emissions by over 10% compared to similar vehicles manufactured today.

**Environmental protection on sites**

In 2008, all Renault Trucks' sites were audited and ISO 14001 environmental management certification confirmed for their systems. On the Saint-Priest site, a new building was erected with a photovoltaic roof. The Blainville site is starting trials on a new paint shop seeking to reduce energy consumption by 20% for all Renault Trucks cabs and also to reduce the VOC content in paints used by 25%.

**Well-being at work**

Renault Trucks has set up a company concierge service to attend to the well-being of its employees in partnership with an external company: a multi-service product range in the workplace, with aid to the family (childminding, etc...), house and home, tickets for shows and travel, etc... 2008 also saw the introduction of a car-share scheme on the two Lyon sites and on the Bourg en- Bresse site.