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2009 PROGRESS REPORT

Despite the particularly difficult economic situation in the trucks sector in 2009, Renault Trucks still complied with the basic principles of the Global Compact. The company continued to play an active role in the implementation of the "Environment Grenelle" in France. It fulfilled its commitment to offer vehicles with ever-decreasing fuel consumption powered by new energies, in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. It also continued its operations aimed at reducing the environmental impact of its activities.

Environment and urban mobility

By 2008, Renault Trucks had already developed an all-electric light commercial vehicle. In 2009, the first pre-production models of this "proper little truck" with zero emissions and no noise pollution were delivered to "pilot" customers. Market launch is scheduled for 2010.

Renault Trucks is also continuing its development of Hybrys Tech hybrid technology vehicles. Tested under actual operating conditions since 2008 for household refuse collection, this technology was further developed in 2009 to enhance its technical performance, making it suitable for other applications such as distribution and worksite deliveries in urban areas.

With its Premium Optifuel vehicle, the company has taken a new step forward in fuel economy by combining the sale of a truck optimized for minimal consumption with rational driving training. The end result is a 6.4% saving in fuel consumption for the customer, certified by the TÜV, an independent organization recognised worldwide. Savings related to the vehicle itself range from 4 to 7%. Training in rational driving can lead to consumption gains of up to 15% for a fleet of trucks.

Renault Trucks is also continuing its Optifuel Lab research programme, the main aim of which is to reduce fuel consumption and pollutant emissions of a complete combination of vehicles. When the project was launched, the target was a 10% reduction in consumption. At present, its experimental vehicle allows a 13% saving as compared to an equivalent existing vehicle (Premium Route Euro 5 Incentive).

Moreover, Renault Trucks offers a range of vehicles in compliance with the EEV standard, the strictest in road transport, and far more demanding than the current EURO V standard. The EEV standard is sometimes required in cities where access to some areas is limited to the least polluting vehicles. Lastly, Renault Trucks is also continuing work on the development of its natural gas vehicles.

Environmental protection on sites

Between 2003 and 2008 the company modernised its plants, reducing energy consumption per vehicle manufactured by almost half and reducing its CO2 emissions by 35%. This drive continues, with the use of renewable energies on its sites in France. For instance, photovoltaic panels have been installed on two new buildings on its Lyon site, which will result in a 200 megawatts/year power output and avoid the production of 25 tonnes of equivalent CO2. A study is under way to implement the same approach on the new Hybrid and

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Development Line (H&DL) at the company's Bourg-en-Bresse plant. A far-reaching internal project has been set up to reduce energy consumption and, by extension, CO2 emissions of all sites.

Well-being at work

After introducing corporate concierge services in 2008, the company is perusing its policy aimed at meeting its employees' requirements for a balance between their personal and working lives. Crèche facilities were introduced in June 2009 and a "Plan de Déplacement de l'Établissement" (corporate transport plan) project was launched in September on its Lyon site. The aim is to construct an action plan for 2010 to improve employees' travel arrangements and devise new transport solutions.

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