Iveco delivers Germany’s first Liquid Natural Gas-powered long-haul truck at IAA 2016

Pierre Lahutte, Iveco Brand President and Rainer Bomba, State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure, hands over keys for first LNG truck in Germany.

Ludwig Meyer GmbH & Co. KG receives the first of 20 Iveco Stralis NP trucks at IAA 2016, representing the first step towards using a real alternative to diesel for logistics in Germany.

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Ludwig Meyer GmbH & Co. KG is a long-standing partner of Iveco, and has a long history of demonstrating innovation in the field of CNG and electric vehicles. The Friedrichsdorf-based company will soon be operating 20 Stralis NP trucks for the purposes of fresh food logistics and distribution in the Berlin area. Meyer Logistik is also co-ordinating the construction of a public LNG filling station on the east side of the Berliner Ring orbital motorway.

The Federal Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure (BMVI) encouraged the purchase of the LNG truck fleet with 360,000 euros, thereby allowing the construction of the LNG refuelling station. Rainer Bomba, State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure, said at the hand-over: “LNG is a promising alternative to conventional fuel. Funded by the BMVI pilot project with Meyer Logistics, this deal is an important contribution in the field of new and clean drives for heavy trucks and LNG as a fuel source in Germany.”

Pierre Lahutte, Iveco Brand President, is delighted that the door to more sustainable logistics is now open in Germany, and adds: “Iveco is a leading technology developer in the natural gas sector. Our customers in Spain, Italy, the UK and the Netherlands are demonstrating that LNG is an equally reliable and efficient technology that has far less of an environmental impact than other fuels. The Stralis NP not only produces cleaner emissions, but is also extremely quiet. This makes the vehicle suitable for urban use and calms residents’ concerns about noise”.

Looking to the future of his company, Managing Director of Meyer Logistik, Matthias Strehl, sees “the use of alternative drives as an important building block in ensuring our future business success”. He adds: “Working as a development partner in the commercial vehicle industry, we regularly subject innovative drive concepts to practical tests, with the aim of finding a real alternative to diesel-powered trucks together with our partners.”
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