

HOYER Group continues to expand its green fleet

Logistics specialist turns increasingly to alternative fuels for climate-friendly transport

Hamburg, 20 August 2019 – With a view to the future, the HOYER Group is working on sustainable solutions in all areas. To protect the environment and reduce pollutants, alternative drive systems play a central role for the globally active logistics company, which is progressively enlarging its fleet with LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas) trucks and CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) vehicles, thus sending out a strong signal for low-emission, noise-reduced transport. The most recent additions are two LNG trucks put on the road by the logistics specialist together with its partner Nippon Gases Deutschland.

HOYER uses these two liquefied natural gas fuelled IVECO trucks of the Stralis 440S40 NP type to carry industrial gases such as hydrogen and nitrogen on an everyday basis from the Hürth site throughout the entire federal state of North Rhine-Westphalia on behalf of its partner Nippon Gases Deutschland. HOYER brought the same truck model into operation last year to transport mineral oil. Its environmental and performance figures – 15 per cent less CO₂ and 60 per cent less nitrogen oxides are emitted – prompted the logistics specialist to make the additional investments despite significantly higher procurement costs. Other convincing plus points included 15 per cent less fuel consumption compared to the diesel counterpart, and a low-noise engine for more comfortable driving and considerably reduced noise emission.

Thomas Hüttemann, Managing Director of the Gaslog business unit of the HOYER Group, says “As experts in transporting gases liquefied under pressure and cryogenically, we ensure gases of all kinds are transported safely and smoothly on a daily basis. The growing LNG market has an especially positive effect on the balance sheet of our business.” According to Hüttemann: “Not only transporting these alternative energy sources but also driving with them ourselves immediately was therefore a logical consequence for us.”

The logistics specialist has seven CNG-fuelled vehicles operating in parallel nationwide . 96 per cent of the trucks used by HOYER in Germany already have Euro 6 Class low-emission engines. The subject of alternative drive systems will be followed up intensively in the future to achieve the company’s target of reducing CO₂ emissions by 25 per cent per ton/km by 2020. The purchase of electrically-powered cars is also being considered. Currently, however, the market does not yet offer any adequate solutions for heavy commercial trucks of the kind used by HOYER. The fact that a service station network for alternative energies is not yet available in many countries represents an additional obstacle.

About the HOYER Group:

HOYER, a traditional independent family business, has been one of the world's leading bulk logistics providers since 1946. As a specialist, it has extensive know-how in the provision of complex services, and has special customer proximity. It develops and implements comprehensive solutions in European and worldwide bulk logistics, particularly in the chemical, food, gas and petroleum industries. For this, about 6,200 employees in more than 115 countries support clients with well-thought-out logistics solutions to make them even more successful in their respective markets. HOYER owns around 2,200 trucks, 2,300 road tankers, 47,400 IBCs, 40,300 tank containers and numerous logistics installations with depots, cleaning plants and workshops.

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