

Milence expands Dutch network with a new charging hub in Zwolle, deploying the first Megawatt Charging System (MCS) in the Netherlands

- Milence's second hub in The Netherlands is now open, marking the deployment of the first Megawatt Charging System (MCS) in the country, available for public charging.
- In addition, phase one of the hub features four high-performance CCS chargers powering eight bays, with amenities including toilets, showers, a lounge and vending machines.
- Milence aims to deploy at least 284 MCS charging points across 71 locations in 10 EU member states.

Zwolle, Netherlands – May 8, 2025 – Milence, the joint venture between Daimler Truck, the TRATON GROUP, and Volvo Group, building Europe's largest public charging network for electric trucks, announces the opening of its second charging hub in the Netherlands. Located at Business Park Hessenpoort in Zwolle. This milestone not only strengthens Milence's network in the Netherlands but also marks the deployment of a Megawatt Charging System (MCS) – the first in the country available for public charging.

Strategically located near the A28 and A50 highways, the Zwolle hub offers direct connectivity to key Dutch cities such as Amsterdam, Utrecht, and Groningen, as well as important German destinations including Münster, Dortmund, and the Ruhr industrial region. This makes the hub a critical link for both domestic and cross-border transport, reinforcing its role in driving fossil-free logistics across Europe.

"Today's opening reflects our commitment to building the infrastructure needed for a fossil-free future in Europe," said Anja van Niersen, CEO of Milence. "By launching the first Megawatt Charging System in the Netherlands, we're accelerating the adoption of electric trucks and enabling smarter and more sustainable logistics."

A pioneering site: phase one of the Zwolle hub

The Zwolle hub is Milence's largest in the Netherlands to date and is a model for scalable, high performance truck charging infrastructure. The first phase includes:

- 4 Combined Charging System (CCS) chargers, powering 8 charging bays
- 1 Megawatt Charging System (MCS), designed to meet the needs of next-generation electric trucks, powering 1 bay.



• **Driver-centric amenities** such as toilets, showers, a lounge, vending machines, and WiFi.

Future development phases will bring additional chargers and greater capacity to accommodate growing demand. The hub is secured with fencing, gated entry, and camera surveillance. Additionally, Milence's signature design elements, including arches and a roof structure, make the hub both functional and visually distinctive.

MCS is essential for scaling up zero-emission freight across Europe.

The Megawatt Charging System (MCS) is the latest standard for high-power charging, specifically developed to support the rapid expansion of electric trucks. Capable of delivering up to 3.75 megawatts (3,750 kilowatts) of DC power, MCS represents a transformative shift for the industry. The solution from Power Electronics installed in Zwolle has been rigorously tested and is expected to enable electric trucks to charge their batteries in 30 to 45 minutes. With a charging capacity of up to 1,440 kW (up to 1,500 A, 1,000 V), and designed for electric trucks, it offers a more robust connection and an enhanced communication platform resulting in a more reliable and efficient charging solution, purpose-built for heavy-duty operations.

Building Europe's first electric corridors

As part of its ambitious expansion plan, Milence is committed to establishing a robust network of megawatt charging points across Europe. By 2027, the company aims to deploy at least **284 MCS charging points across 71 locations in 10 EU member states** in line with the Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Facility (AFIF) call. The hub in Zwolle is part of one of the first corridors connecting Antwerp with Stockholm.

Accessible and seamless charging experience

The hub in Zwolle provides a fast and reliable charging experience for all trucks regardless of brand. Milence ensures accessibility and transparency for all users with a robust payment system. Partnerships with leading e-Mobility Service Providers (eMSPs) enable drivers to pay using a variety of charging cards. Direct payment options via payment terminal or using the Milence Card are also available. The default charging tariff for both CCS and MCS is $\{0,399\}$ per kWh (excluding VAT).

"Electric road transport is no longer a future ambition—it is happening now. With the first green corridors taking shape, the path to sustainable logistics is becoming real. Utilisation is now key. To scale this transformation, we have to start driving electric and we invite transport companies to learn, adapt, and grow with us. The transition will not happen overnight, but with each new hub we move closer to a



future where road transport is both sustainable and economically viable. Europe's future depends on it." **Anja van Niersen, concluded.**

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About Milence

<u>Milence</u> is dedicated to making the future of road transport fossil-free. To realize this vision, Milence is building a reliable charging network for all battery-electric heavy-duty trucks and coaches, regardless of brand. By 2027, they aim to have at least 1,700 high-performance charging points across Europe.

With an initial focus on 15 markets and operational hubs already open in several key locations, Milence is rapidly expanding its network to ensure that heavy-duty electric vehicles can operate seamlessly across the continent, supporting the transition to a sustainable and efficient transport system.

Established in July 2022 as a joint venture between Daimler Truck, the TRATON GROUP, and the Volvo Group, Milence operates as an independent, stand-alone company with an initial funding of €500 million.

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