

PRESS RELEASE

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Electric buses. Made in Moscow.

Moscow is the largest operator of electric buses in Europe. Every day 600 eco-friendly buses enter the city routes. Moscow plans to purchase another 1600 electric buses over next few years. The issue is to eliminate buses from the streets of Moscow. Replacing just one diesel bus with an electric bus reduces CO2 emissions by 60,5 tons per year.

Today KAMAZ opened a center for the production of electric buses in Moscow. The production site is located on the territory of the Sokolniki Car Repair and Construction Plant (SVARZ) a branch of the State Unitary Enterprise Mosgortrans. An assembly line designed for the production of up to 500 electric buses per year will operate at SVARZ as the first stage.

At the second stage KAMAZ will reconstruct another production building with an area of about 3 000 square meters, which will allow to manufacture about 200 more electric buses per year and carry out service of equipment. The number of work spaces will increase by 2 times – from 100 to 200 people. Finally, SVARZ will become one of the largest centers for the production and maintenance of electric vehicles in Russia which will produce up to 700 electric buses annually.

In order to prepare for mass production 11 test electric buses have already been manufactured at SVARZ and 5 of them have passed a full run-in and a leak test in a special sprinkler chamber. This May they will be launched to the streets of Moscow.

Why is the creation of a new plant gainful for the city?

The cost of production of electric buses is reduced, service becomes better and faster. After all, KAMAZ does not just supply these buses. As a part of the life cycle contracts, the manufacturer assumed full responsibility for the maintenance of the equipment for 15 years.

Another advantage is the ability for quick and flexible adjust the products to the requirements of Moscow passengers. Today the Moscow electric bus is one of the best in the world market in terms of technical and operational characteristics, while it is 30% cheaper than models of electric buses from other world manufacturers.

About Mosgortrans:

Today Mosgortrans maintains 800 surface transport routes. These are daily used by over 5.5 million passengers.

There are 6.5 thousand buses, trams, trolleybuses and e-buses departing on a daily basis. Mosgortrans fleet is getting constantly renewed: an up-to-date rolling stock is acquired being adjusted to the low-mobility groups of people. New transport vehicles have a lower floor and are equipped with systems of climate control, video surveillance and navigation.

The company consists of 23 affiliates including 10 bus/trolleybus fleets, 5 tram fleets and other services maintaining Moscow surface public transport work.

More than 30 thousand company workers provide citizens with a regular, comfortable and constantly improving service.

Mosgortrans is an active member of Russian and international associations of public transport.

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