

Volvo taking orders for trucks equipped to meet EPA2010 emissions standards

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Volvo says the SCR technology will deliver near-zero emissions. (Courtesy Volvo Trucks North America)

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GREENSBORO, N.C. — Volvo Trucks North America is now taking orders for trucks across Volvo's product line equipped to meet the EPA2010 emissions standards using Volvo's

selective catalytic reduction (SCR) technology.

SCR also helps Volvo increase the fuel efficiency of its EPA'10 trucks and reduce their carbon footprint, according to Scott Kress, senior vice president of sales and marketing.

Initial production is scheduled for Fall 2009 with deliveries beginning a few weeks later.

These will be initial production trucks, not prototypes or test models, Kress said.

“A number of customers have expressed an interest in placing SCR-equipped units in their fleets ahead of 2010,” Kress said. “This gives early adopters the opportunity to gain familiarity with the technology and the benefits of SCR. It's another example of Volvo Trucks following through on our commitment to customers to be ready to go for 2010. Volvo is ready. How many other manufacturers can say that?”

Kress said the new trucks will deliver the near-zero emissions and improved fuel economy SCR-equipped Volvo trucks have demonstrated over two winters and more than three million miles of North American customer testing.

“We have also demonstrated that our ‘No Regen’ promise is a reality that will bring additional fuel economy improvements by eliminating active regenerations of the diesel particulate filter,” he said.

Orders for approximately 50 Volvo trucks equipped with SCR had been received by mid-June. Customers can order their EPA'10-ready trucks through their Volvo dealer.

Initiating the process so soon also provides Volvo Trucks the opportunity to efficiently and effectively ramp up production of EPA '10 trucks on its production line at the New River Valley Plant in Dublin, Va., before the complete changeover next year.

New River Valley production processes have been modified in recent months in preparation for 2010, and to enhance efficiency and manufacturing quality.

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