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Posten Bring now delivers all-electrically throughout Ã˜stfold

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Posten Bring has now replaced all fossil-fueled vehicles in Østfold county. A total of 110 vans and 85 Paxsters have replaced petrol and diesel vehicles in Østfold. This means that all mail and parcel deliveries in the area are now electric.

– This is an important milestone for us in Østfold. We have worked purposefully over time to get both vehicles and charging infrastructure in place, and now we deliver fully electric to all our customers in the area, says Ingar Gundersen, district manager at Posten Bring.

He says that it is especially fun that the electric mopeds, the Paxsters, used in the local mail delivery, are produced in Sarpsborg.

Østfold is the first county to be fully electric for smaller vehicles. The conversion is part of Posten Bring's national focus on electrification of the vehicle fleet, and the company has made several cities and regions fully electric in recent years, but Østfold is the first entire county to reach the milestone.

The electrification in Østfold includes:

- 110 electric vans
- 85 Paxsters (electric moped vehicles used in postal distribution)

Paxsters are particularly used in densely populated areas with short distances and frequent stops, and are well suited to mail delivery in residential areas.

"This is about both the climate and the local environment. Electric vehicles produce less noise and better air, and we find that both employees and residents appreciate the transition," says Gundersen.

67 percent electric in Norway

Nationally, 67 percent of Posten Bring's vehicle fleet – both vans and trucks – is now electric. Previously, the company reached a milestone where half of the country's residents had their mail and parcels delivered by electric vehicles. Since then, the proportion has continued to increase.

– We see that the systematic work we do locally contributes to raising the national figures. When we electrify entire areas, we gain both effect and experience that we take with us further, says Gundersen.

Has developed its own charging network

An important prerequisite for success has been the development of an extensive charging network at terminals and distribution points. Posten Bring has invested significantly in its own charging infrastructure to ensure stable operations and predictable capacity.

Since the company has now come a long way in electrifying its vans, the work to phase in electric trucks has also accelerated – both in central areas and in more demanding areas.

– We have reached the point where electric vans are the standard. Now it is about taking the same steps with heavier vehicles. It is more complex, but development is happening quickly, and we are well underway, says Gundersen.

With Østfold fully electrified, Posten Bring is taking another step in the transformation of its transport operations – from last-mile distribution on residential streets to heavier transport over longer distances.

FACTS:

- Posten Bring has replaced all fossil fuel-powered smaller vehicles with electric vans and mopeds in Østfold. At the distribution units in Moss, Halden, Fredrikstad, Sarpsborg and in Inner Østfold (Askim, Mysen, Spydeberg, Ørje, Rakkestad), all vehicles are now electric.
- The group is now in the process of replacing trucks with electric or biogas-powered trucks. In Østfold, there are currently seven electric trucks for distribution in Østfold and four gas trucks that operate regular traffic in and out of Østfold.
- A total of 195 smaller vehicles, vans and Paxsters have been replaced in Østfold, which is the first entire county to be fully electric in Posten Bring's rig.

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