The first electric truck manufactured in Europe by SuperPanther rolls off the production line for DHL Freight

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The electric truck will be transferred from Austria to the Netherlands in August and is scheduled to enter service there in September.

Bonn - DHL Freight, one of the leading providers of road transportation in Europe, is continuing to drive forward its efforts to make its truck fleet more sustainable. The very first heavy-duty truck produced in Europe by SuperPanther, a manufacturer of electric trucks, will be deployed by DHL Freight in the Netherlands.

The collaboration between the two companies began in 2024 with a joint Memorandum of Understanding formalizing the partnership. In 2025, DHL Freight tested the electric truck extensively in daily operations in Austria, including on the route between Vienna and Wels under real-world conditions. The experience was consistently positive, leading the division to decide to deploy the SuperPanther in day-to-day operations for customers in the Netherlands. The electric truck will be transferred from Austria to the Netherlands in August and is scheduled to enter service there in September.

"With the first eTopas 600 for DHL Freight, we are turning our strategic partnership with SuperPanther into a tangible operational milestone. The tests in Austria provided us with valuable insights into the vehicle's suitability for everyday use. The planned deployment within the DHL Freight network is the next step for us in jointly advancing low-emission road transport," said Antje Huber, SVP Strategy, Marketing & Staff, DHL Freight.

Chinese company SuperPanther was founded in 2022 and specializes in new energy technologies for medium-duty and heavy-duty commercial vehicles. The eTopas 600 is the first electric truck the manufacturer has developed for the European market. To achieve this, it cooperates with Steyr Automotive GmbH.

DHL Freight is testing various vehicle types and drive technologies and continuously expanding its own fleet of low-emission vehicles. Around 1,700 such vehicles are already in operation, supporting the Group's

goal of achieving net-zero logistics-related emissions by 2050.

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