



The first of ten new Vectron locomotives has arrived in Malmö. Photo: Green Cargo

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Ten new Vectron locomotives strengthen Green Cargo's international traffic

The first of ten new Vectron locomotives has been delivered to Green Cargo in Malmö. The locomotives will primarily be used to strengthen Green Cargo's international traffic in the corridor between Malmö and Maschen in Germany starting in 2024. The six current corridor locomotives will be integrated into Green Cargo's domestic network and increase the company's capacity on the Swedish market.

From the turn of the year, Green Cargo's international traffic between

primarily Malmö and Mächen will use brand new Siemens Vectron locomotives. The locomotives are equipped with ETCS, which will be a prerequisite for traffic through Denmark. Green Cargo leases the ten locomotives through a long-term agreement from the suppliers Akiem and Alpha Trains, who deliver five locomotives each.

"The locomotives will primarily mean that the traffic quality increases for our customers in international traffic as we strengthen operational reliability and redundancy on the locomotive side compared to today. The new locomotives also give us the opportunity to expand our international traffic", says Marcus Wiklund, project manager for Vectron locomotives at Green Cargo.

The first locomotive that has now been delivered will initially be used as a training locomotive during the autumn. During the training period, the locomotive will be used in existing traffic between Malmö and Trelleborg.

"The Vectron is a locomotive highly appreciated by the drivers who have test driven it and is well adapted to corridor traffic. Technically and equipment-wise, you can drive it seamlessly all the way between Norway and Austria. We also get access to good and fast maintenance opportunities in both Germany and Sweden, which is also an important aspect in this context", says Marcus Wiklund.

As Green Cargo goes from six corridor locomotives today to ten in 2024, some of them will initially run in Skåne as well. As soon as the transport demand in the corridor grows, all ten Vectron locomotives will run between Malmö and Maschen. The current six corridor locomotives will be integrated into Green Cargo's domestic network and thereby increase the company's capacity on the Swedish market.

"All in all, these new locomotives represent an important reinforcement of both quality and capacity for Green Cargo's international traffic with positive effects for our domestic network as well", says Marcus Wiklund.

Green Cargo is a sustainable logistics partner and a crucial part of Scandinavia's trade and industry. 97 percent of our transports takes place using electric trains with a very low climate impact. Every 24 hours, some 400 freight trains depart, replacing around 9,000 truckloads on the road network. We serve close to 300

locations in Sweden, Norway and Denmark through our network, and with our partners we reach all of Europe. Green Cargo is owned by the Swedish State. We transport 21 million tonnes of freight, have 1,900 employees and annual sales of about SEK 4,5 billion (2022).

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