

## **Press Information**

# Truck deliveries – January 2004

Compared with the year-earlier period, deliveries of trucks from the Volvo Group to date this year increased 11%. Mack Trucks was up 5% and Renault Trucks increased by 4%. Volvo Trucks posted an increase of 19% during the period.

"Generally, we have had a highly satisfactory start on the year for our three brands in our truck operations. This is particularly the case in North and South America. In addition, Asia market area continues to be very strong, primarily driven by a strong development in the Middle East," comments Leif Johansson, CEO and President of the Volvo Group.

On a 12-month rolling basis, total order bookings for the truck brands was up 8% compared with the preceding year, with Europe 4% lower and North America up 21%.

# Deliveries by market area:

Delivered Units	Year-t	Year-to-Date	
Volvo Group	2003	2002	
Europe	6 987	7 233	-3%
Western Europe	6 472	6 703	-3%
Eastern Europe	515	530	-3%
North America	2 809	2 076	35%
South America	497	373	33%
Asia	1 461	832	76%
Other markets	468	520	-10%
Total Volvo Group	12 222	11 034	11%

#### Mack Trucks, Inc.

Deliveries for Mack Trucks, Inc. in January totaled 1,440 units, up 5% compared with the corresponding month in 2003. The gain in deliveries was attributable to recent strong order support, which offset a seasonal weakness in Mack's key vocational market segments in January - traditionally the slowest month of the year in terms of Mack commercial activity.

#### Deliveries by market area:

Delivered Units	Year-to-Date		Change
Mack Trucks, Inc.	2003	2002	
North America	1 334	1 253	6%
South America	26	69	-62%
Asia	15		n.a.
Other markets	65	45	44%
Total Mack Trucks, Inc.	1 440	1 367	5%

#### **Renault Trucks**

Deliveries for Renault Trucks in January 2004 totaled 5,013 units, up 4% compared with the corresponding period in the preceding year. This increase was mainly supported by sales outside Europe. The increase in Asia was mainly due to strong sales in the Middle East.

The Medium Duty and Heavy Duty segments posted highly favorable development, with increases ranging from 8% for Renault Premium, 11% for Renault Magnum, 20% for Renault Midlum and 39% for Renault Kerax.

#### Deliveries by market area:

Delivered Units	Year-to-Date		Change
Renault Trucks	2003	2002	
Europe	4 349	4 513	-4%
Western Europe	4 085	4 197	-3%
Eastern Europe	264	316	-16%
North America	17		n.a.
South America	16	17	-6%
Asia	452	88	414%
Other markets	179	214	-16%
Total Renault Trucks	5 013	4 832	4%

#### **Volvo Trucks**

Volvo Trucks increased its deliveries during January by 19%, compared with the year-earlier period. The increase is attributable primarily to very strong deliveries in North and South America. The favorable sales trend from the end of the year continued during January 2004.

The plant in New River Valley will switch to two shifts in May to ensure deliveries to North American customers.

## Deliveries by market area:

Delivered Units	Year-to-Date		Change
Volvo Trucks	2003	2002	
Europe	2 638	2 720	-3%
Western Europe	2 387	2 506	-5%
Eastern Europe	251	214	17%
North America	1 458	823	77%
South America	455	287	59%
Asia	994	744	34%
Other markets	224	261	-14%
Total Volvo Trucks	5 769	4 835	19%

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