

COMFORTDELGRO TAXIS FIRST IN SOUTHEAST ASIA
TO LAUNCH EURO 6 MERCEDES LIMOCABS

4 May 2015 – Southeast Asia's most environmentally friendly taxis are hitting the Singapore roads this week.

The latest ComfortDelGro Mercedes Limocabs are based on the latest Euro 6 BlueTEC technology and come with Adblue tanks that help reduce harmful emissions by transforming 90% of the nitrogen oxide (NO_x) into environmentally friendly particles such as water and nitrogen. The Euro 6 LimoCab emits only 124g carbon emissions per kilometre (CO₂/km¹), compared to 129g for the Euro 5 and 132g for the older Euro 4 models.

On top of cleaner emission, the new Euro 6 LimoCab is expected to have better fuel efficiency than its predecessor, consuming only about 4.5 litres of diesel per 100 kilometres.

The first batch of 50 Euro 6 Mercedes Benz E220 BlueTEC LimoCabs will be rolled out on 6 May. Two subsequent batches are scheduled to roll out in mid- and end-May, bringing the total number of Euro 6 LimoCabs that the Company will operate to 150, translating into an estimated 20% of the entire limousine fleet.

With its slightly longer and taller body, the Euro 6 LimoCab offers both drivers and passengers with greater headroom and a more spacious interior. Like its predecessor, it has a spacious boot which can accommodate up to three standard golf bags. The Euro 6 LimoCab also features integrated daytime running lights in its front headlamps and full LED lights in its rear lamps.

¹ Carbon emissions refer to the release of carbon dioxide from the use of a vehicle and provide a good indicator of the amount of fuel the vehicle uses. The g CO₂/km is a measure that quantifies the weight of carbon dioxide (CO₂) released for every kilometre that the vehicle is driven i.e. the vehicle's fuel efficiency. The more CO₂ released over the same distance means more fuel is being used.

Said Mr Yang Ban Seng, ComfortDelGro CEO (Taxi Business): “As climate change becomes an increasing problem, we have been actively looking at ways to reduce our carbon footprint. We believe the Euro 6 LimoCab serves this purpose without sacrificing on reliability and comfort for our drivers and passengers. We will continue to explore newer and Greener models for the comfort of both our taxi drivers and passengers.”

Background

ComfortDelGro is one of the world's largest land transport companies with a total fleet size of about 46,300 buses, taxis and rental vehicles. Headquartered in Singapore, the Group also has operations in China, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia, Vietnam and Malaysia. In Singapore, ComfortDelGro operates about 16,800 taxis.