

# towards Sustainable Refrigerated TRANSport

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# Idea

Collection of **facts and experience** of electric driven refrigerated transport:

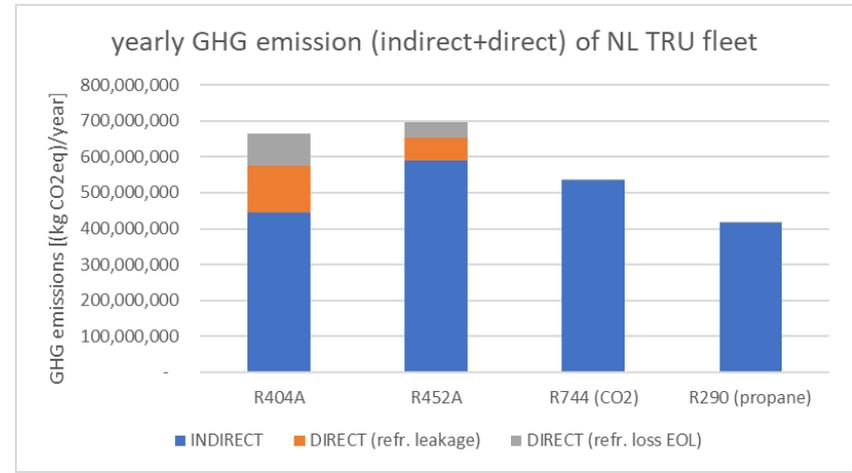
- Different type of systems which are one market yet.
- Feasibility in practice/ success factors

# Results

## Fact finding: Much or little?

- NL TRUs  $0.7 \cdot 10^9$  kg CO<sub>2</sub>eq /yr\*\*
- NL road transport  $6.3 \cdot 10^9$  kg CO<sub>2</sub>eq /yr (CBS, 2022)
- NL TRU GHG emissions equal CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by in-house energy consumption (gas+electricity) of some 212,000 Dutch households (milieucentraal, 2023)

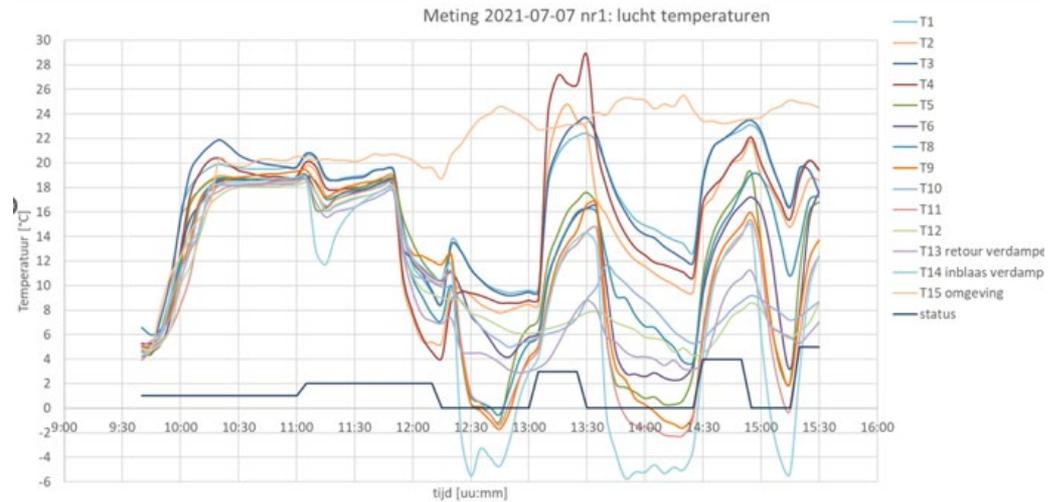
\*\* No. of NL units source: RDW



# Results

- Technology and/or operational use?

Experience/measurement of Maxwell and Spark is that **charge of the battery is often not sufficient**, because the energy need in practical use is much higher expected due to **unforeseen additional heat loads**.



# Results conclusion

Although the technology of **electric driven refrigeration** is available, it is **practice often less successful**.

**Transition** to electrical refrigeration is **not simply replacement of hardware**, but needs reconsidering/adaptation of practical operation and additional technical energy/capacity savings options of hardware.

**Cooperation needed** between with policy makers (Qasim Hussein @ Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management), research, hardware suppliers and end users.

**KNVvK Themabijeenkomst “Gekoeld transport”** in Wageningen on 14 November 2024 + **RCC publication**

# next steps

Reduction of required energy/capacity needed for successful transition  
(weight- and cost savings)

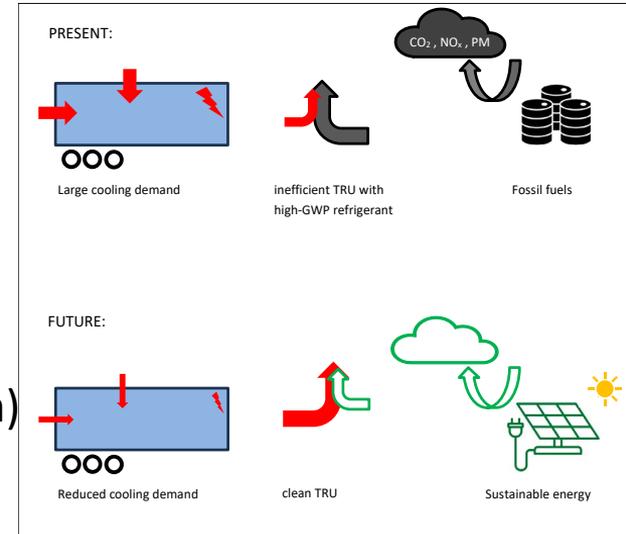
- Technology improvements/correct selection
- Adaptation of logistic by user to avoid

**PPS SURETRANS** – Sustainable REfrigerated TRANSport Consortium: Maxwell and Spark, TIP, WFBR.

Not granted:

“The proposal is a good topic and relevant to the KIA.  
It is not sufficiently clear what the impact of the result is on the acceleration of electricity”.

Next option: PPS Innovatieregeling 2025- Call 1 (closes 28 March)



# Support experienced private partner



A leading innovator in Li-ion battery technology for industrial mobility systems.

- Created a valuable platform for discussing the challenges associated with adopting electric solutions in the transport refrigeration industry.
- Facilitated a connection with a research institution, providing critical insights and expertise in our market.
- Marked an essential first step in fostering collaboration between industry and research institutions to drive the green transition forward.

# Thank you

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