



### **URBAN FREIGHT GOES ELECTRIC!**

What do we learn from the Muses story?

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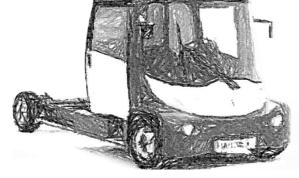
## Mooville: the only one eLCV N1 with motors in wheels



















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- Headquarter at "Paris" Factory (Faurecia) in Vosges (France)
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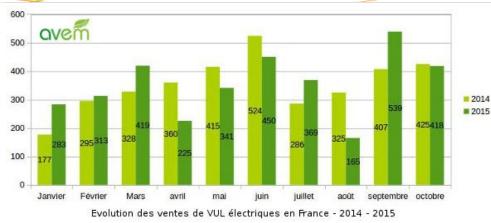
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## French figures for eLCV 2015

Market: no growth



Kangoo ZE	237	1.941
Goupil *	45	351
Citroën Berlingo	45	101
Renault Zoé	30	184
<b>Peugeot Partner</b>	14	114
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October 2015

418

Usable volume: around 4 cu.m. **Too low for Express, Fresh, Drugs activities** 



**Total** 

2015

3.522

## What are current solutions in Europe

#### Designed for electricity





Colibus Univers VE Helem

Goupil G3
Polaris





For delivering in town

Main segment 10 m<sup>3</sup>

14 m<sup>3</sup>

 $2 \text{ m}^3$ 

 $4 \text{ m}^3$ 



Kangoo ZE Renault



Berlingo Citroën





BD Trafic Van BD Otomotiv

Daily Iveco Electric



Electron Gruau France (Fiat Ducato)



EVC (Jumper PSA)



#### Adapted to electricity





## Muses Learning 1: Hard to break the vicious circle

#### Last mile covers a wide range of activities

beer is heavier than cell phone; salad needs a temperature higher than ice cream; delivery time in 2h does not need the same organization than 2d...



The proof of an existing market segment (eLCV do not do everything) is key



## Learning 2 : eLCV users have to have a benefit

- **Even if large customers specified with Muses and tested Mooville vehicles, they bought them according to their anticipation of regulation implementations in towns (many orders of one vehicle)**
- FYI: Based on 80 km per day, a Mooville vehicle had the same TCO than a Boxer (rental model on 5 years)
- Excepted for implementing a global strategy or for demonstrating their political willpower, why should they invest in eLCV while competitors go on with heat engine vehicle?
  - No benefits for anyone who invests
  - No penalties, no fines for the others

Regulations, balance benefits - penalties are key for getting fixed orders



# Learning 3: The right product without volume is frustrating

#### Product (what you see) is there:

- 10 vehicles deliver all days between 80 and 100 packages by round
- 2 vehicles do 3 rounds by day (around 70 km)
- 1 vehicle delivers fresh goods (+2 + 8)
- Internal height of bodies are different : 1m30 1m85 1m90 2m00
- Availability rate: more than 90% from January to September
- ☑ We needed 400 vehicles to earn money
- **ID** We needed around 8-10 m€ for ending industrialization

Figures are related to the model of design, of production



## Learning 4 : Towns (or regions) – Manufacturers do not understand each other

- Muses won many awards, was supported by French pubic actors, was an EASME project, but when a French major thinks about some hundred vehicles, he thinks WW Manufacturers
- WW manufacturers consider that large towns is not the right scale for having the right production volume
- Customers do not think WW Manufacturer because they son not answer to the last mile characteristics
- To reconcile these three perspectives, it could be a concentration of efforts, e.g:
  - 1. European large towns should define together a common frame to give rise to a huge volume market by a global WW market
  - 2. A large town (region) + large carriers (on its territory) should define common expectations to give rise a "big" local market



## **Conclusion (last mile)**

#### **Between 2009 (birth date of Muses) and 2015 (death of Muses):**

- A little new cities have implemented regulations for e-Last Mile (most of them without control)
- Projects are still experimental and does not still allow consistent and sustainable profits

#### **Learnings from Muses story:**

- Together, we have still to prove that eLCV is a profitable market
- Cities have to implement the right balance of "benefits penalties"
- Muses proved that a small manufacturer is able to introduce a right eLCV on the market
- Is the right answer a global WW vehicle (European Cities network) or a local vehicle which could be deployed (Local city and carriers)?







## URBAN FREIGHT GOES ELECTRIC (but do not slacken our efforts)

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION



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