

Swedish building boom drives interest in Allison-equipped trucks

Hansa Entreprenad AB purchased its first Scania tipper fitted with an Allison transmission last year, with a second on the way to boost productivity

STOCKHOLM – Impressed by how its first Allison-equipped truck maneuvers through muddy construction sites and climbs hills without rollback, Hansa Entreprenad AB is planning to add another to its fleet.

Founded in 1986, the ground preparation and construction company has a fleet of trucks, excavators, wheel loaders and a sweeping machine. But Hansa's need to improve productivity has grown as construction around Sweden – not the least in the Stockholm area – has intensified.

"I had heard so much positive information from colleagues about Allison's fully automatic transmissions. So last year, when we needed to complete the fleet with a new truck, I thought it could be a good idea to test one with an Allison automatic," said Hansa Chief Executive Officer Hans-Olof Holmberg.

"I bought a Scania P370 tipper 6x2*2 with an Allison transmission from the 4000 Series™. As expected, it has worked flawlessly ever since, and I have had no reason to even think about the transmission. It works perfect, changes gears when it should and seems to be very reliable. Furthermore, it's great on muddy grounds, which often is the case at construction sites."

The company's next truck will be a Scania G450 tipper/hook truck that will be delivered this fall. It will be equipped with a fully automatic Allison 4500 transmission. It's likely to receive a welcome reception from Hansa drivers such as Peter Lagerborn. He has years of experience driving everything from manual transmissions to automated manual transmissions (AMTs).

"The first time I came upon an Allison automatic was when I tested one at a truck show. I could hardly believe my eyes when I started the fully loaded truck with trailer in a steep ascent. All I had to do was to hit the gas pedal to start the truck with no retrograde whatsoever. I must admit I was impressed," said Lagerborn. "When I later was entrusted to drive the company's first Allison-equipped truck, I was both happy and thankful. Today, we get along very well, me and the box."

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Lagerborn said the Allison-equipped truck has proven useful both at narrow construction sites and in heavy city traffic. It also accelerates very quickly after the traffic light changes, without any power loss during gear changes. "When the truck is unloaded I can accelerate as fast as a car. In the long run, that sure makes a difference for how much I can do in one day," Lagerborn said.

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	<p>Hansa driver Peter Lagerborn said he is impressed with the Allison-equipped truck's operability at narrow construction sites and in heavy city traffic. Acceleration and startability on steep ascents have also been favorable.</p>