

WEBINAR #5

Success Story: How Renault Trucks used District Heating to turn off its gas boilers



Agenda - #5 INTREPIDH Webinar

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Intro



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Dalkia

How do I connect to heat network with Dalkia ?



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Renault Trucks

District Heating use case



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>>> Who are we ?

The leading alliance for industry decarbonisation

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Why ALLICE ?

- To **connect, inform and support** industrial stakeholders through a **cross-sector approach**
- To **accelerate innovation** for industry decarbonisation
- To **ensure informed decisions**

Our organisation

- An **independent and objective** facilitation organisation
- A **membership-based** model
- A governance aligned to **industrial needs**

Our founders



Key figures

- Created in **2018**
- **130** members & partners
- **50+** published studies
- Study cumulative budget: **2,5 m€**

INTREPIDH: PROJECT GOAL

The project aims to increase awareness and knowledge about industrial process heat based on district heating across Europe.

- Establish strong project team and network – get smarter together
- Publications and dissemination
 - Best practice catalogue – [Published](#) Oct 2025
 - Webinar series – [8 webinars](#) during Nov-2025 to Sept-2026
 - Spreading the word through networks and events (SDEWES, Serbia, ...)
 - Recommendations and gaps (at end of project). Focus of role of facilitators such as municipalities, energy agencies,..

Raise awareness – This solution is overlooked. We encourage everyone to help!

Demonstrate that this is possible and attractive for Europe!



Webinar INTREPIDH How do I connect to heat network with Dalkia ?

Romain DROUART
Head of DHC in french market



Dalkia District Heating & Cooling in France



Design, build & operate heat production to district heating in the same contract

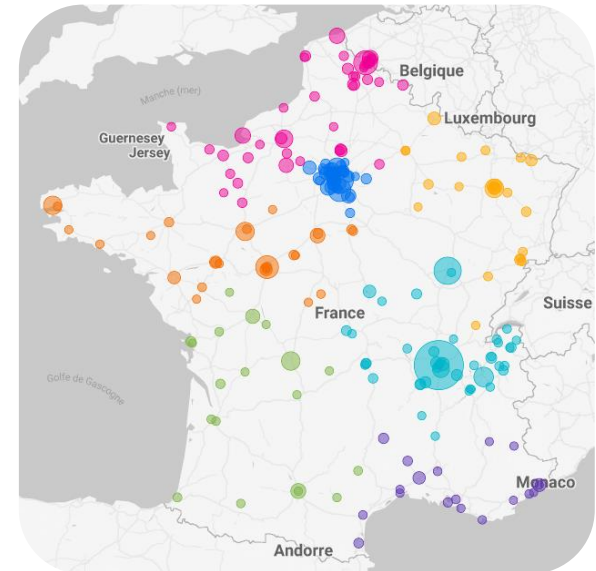
Most District Heating operated by Dalkia and connected to Industrials are result from public tenders (Public Service Delegation - DSP).

To understand factor keys of success of industrial sites connection it's important to understand how these contracts are working :

- Price : €/MWh (energy transformation, excl. VAT) & €/kW (investment & maintenance, excl.VAT)
- Duration of contract : 25 – 30 years
- Financial risks have to be taken by operator
- Equality of treatment between same kind of users

DSP in 2025 at Dalkia :

- > 165 district heating & cooling (total Dalkia ≈ 300)
- > 14 000 delivery points (≈ 40 industrial sites)
- > 8 TWh of heat delivery (total Dalkia ≈ 10 TWh)



How to Connect Industrial Sites to Low-Carbon DHC?

Energy needs and temperature :

Can our network meet your demand?

- **Annual consumption:** How many MWh do you use per year? (3-year history).
- **Peak power:** What is your maximum power demand (kW or MW) ?
- **Load profile:** Is your consumption constant (24/7) or do you have peaks? Do you stop during weekends or summer?
- **Temperature levels:** What temperature do you need for your process? (Hot water or Steam?)



How to Connect Industrial Sites to Low-Carbon DHC?

Technical constraint

How difficult is the connection?

- **Current production:** What is your current system? (Gas, oil, or biomass boiler).
- **Equipment age:** How old are your boilers? Are they reaching the end of their life?
- **Space & location:** Is there enough space for a new delivery station (substation)?
- **Internal Network:** How far is the connection point from your production lines?

109
kgCO₂e/MWh

2025 Annual Survey of District Heating Networks - Fedene



How to Connect Industrial Sites to Low-Carbon DHC?



Strategy and decarbonization

Aligning the project with your goals.

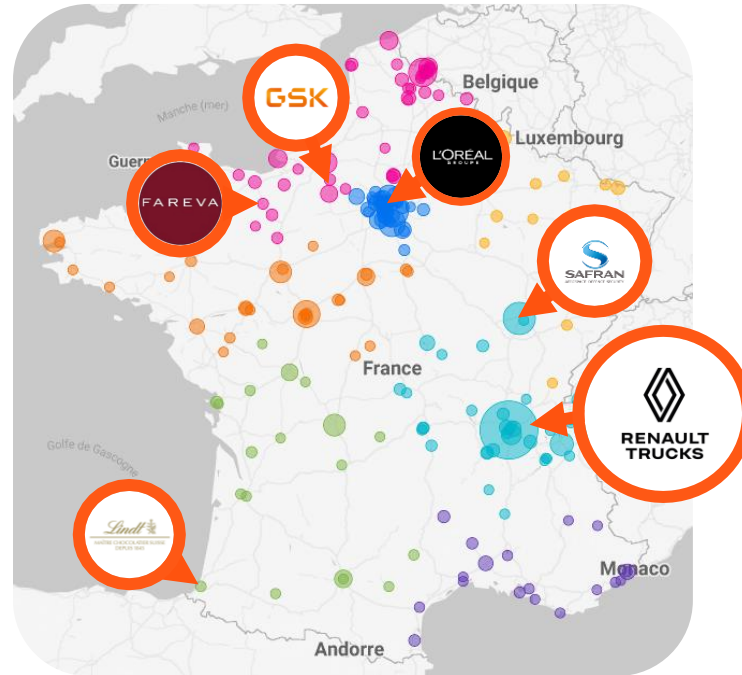
- **CO2 Goals:** What are your targets for carbon reduction?
- **Carbon Market:** Are you part of the ETS ?
- **Price stability:** Do you have a long-term gas contract? When is the end date?
- **Backup System:** Do you want to keep your old boiler as a backup for emergencies?

Economics and contracts

Making the project competitive

- **Total cost of energy:** What is your current global cost per MWh? (Including fuel, taxes, maintenance, and equipment depreciation).
- **Contract Duration:** Are you ready for a long-term partnership? (Usually 10 to 20 years).
- **Investment (CAPEX):** Who pays for the connection works? (Possible financing options from the network operator).

More and more Industrial Sites connected !





Thank you

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Renault Trucks A Volvo Group company



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- 2nd world's manufacturer of trucks, buses, construction equipment as well as marine and industrial engines.
- 99 000 employees
- Production in 17 countries
- 45 de billions € net sales

Renault Trucks Commitment for Climate

“1.5 °C” scenario



SCIENCE
BASED
TARGETS

SCOPE 1

Own operations direct
greenhouse gas emissions

SCOPE 2

Purchased
energy emissions

SCOPE 3

All other indirect green-
house gas emissions, incl.
use of sold products

1% of our CO₂ emissions
- 50% CO₂ in 2030
vs. 2019

99% of our CO₂ emissions
- 40% CO₂ in 2030
vs. 2019

100% fossil-free vehicles in 2040
Net zero company in 2050

Towards sustainable Heat

PROJECT

The Vénissieux internal heating network project is at the heart of the energy transformation of Renault Trucks and its region.

It consists of moving from decentralised and carbon-based heating production to centralised and carbon-free production.



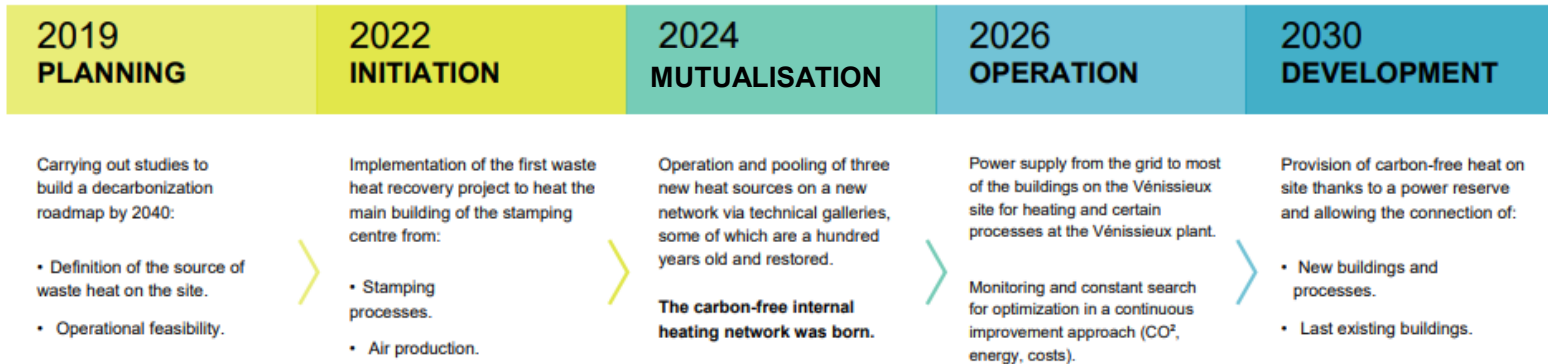
What is waste heat?

This is the heat produced by our industrial activities (machines, processes, technical rooms, etc.) and which has not been used until now.

The internal heating network aims to recover this energy to heat our buildings or power our industrial processes. The waste heat is thus reused and becomes a local resource.

OBJECTIVES

- To meet the challenges of the energy transition and reduce our greenhouse gas emissions.
- Strengthen our energy independence from fossil fuels and strengthen our competitiveness.
- To recover the site's waste heat in a circularity approach.



How it works ?

GENERATION

Production of heat is done through different sources



District heating
Lyon city



Waste heat
Foundry Vénissieux



Waste heat
Stamping/compressed air



Boiler room n°3

A 3 STEPS CYCLE

1. RECOVERY

Heat from our processes is recovered during work hours warm water.

And if the waste heat is not sufficient ?

The other productions, district heating, boiler room n°3 ensure hot water production at 70°C.



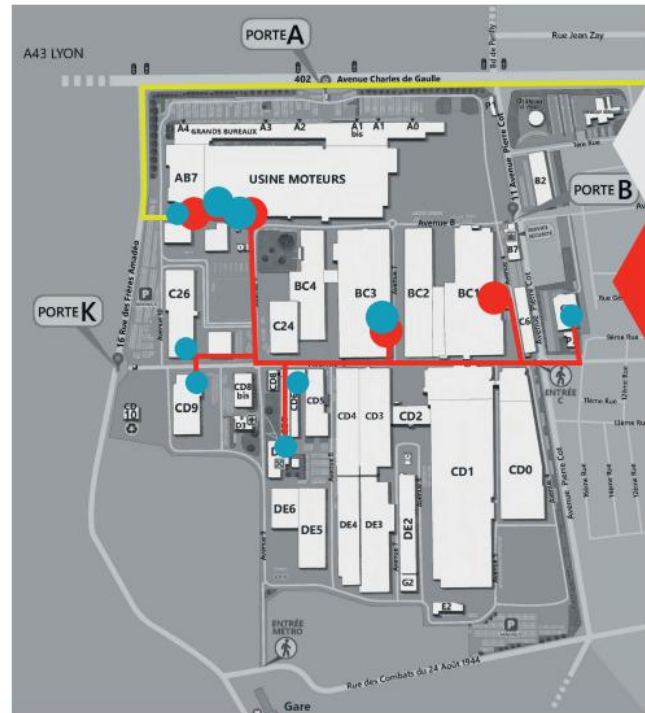
2. DISTRIBUTION

The water goes through heat exchangers and is thanks to pumps go to the network.

3. USE

Heat from water is used to heat buildings, domestic hot water and processes.

The internal heating network in summary



The internal heating network is a local and efficient solution to meet the challenges of decarbonization and energy security.

SUSTAINABLE AND CARBON-FREE ENERGY
2.4KM OF NETWORK THAT SUPPLY THE SITE

- Distribution substation
- Production substation
- Internal network
- District Heating Network



Why another production

- Ensure back-up for our internal network in case of heat recovery failure or specific climatic conditions
- Ensure stable source of heat independently of our production lines
- Increase power of the network during the time

The different keys to choose district heating :

- Development close to our site, the **closer is the network, the cheaper is the CAPEX**
- Low CO2 emission factor with, **plan to continue lower it**
- District heating availability and back-up
- Alternative to electrification to decarbonize and keep electricity for other specific needs
- Energy cost under control with **less influence of fossil energy market**
- Energy cost **less expensive than natural gas or electricity**



13 000 kW
of
Installed power

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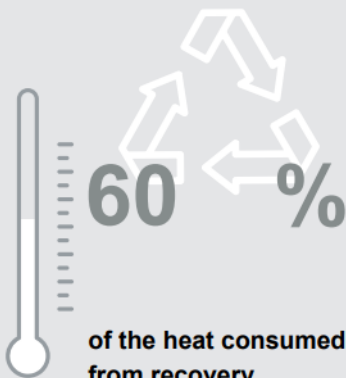
Dismantled boiler rooms



SAVING
of

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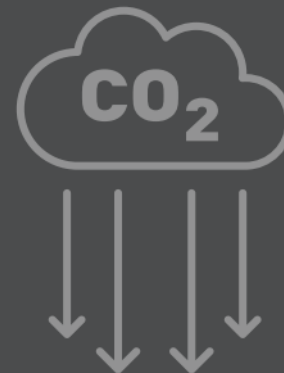
tons of
CO₂ / year



85 000 m²
of
Heated buildings



8 000 MWh/an
saved





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Thank you

Network synoptic

