



What is Switch EV?

Switch EV is one of only 8 projects across the UK to have won funding through the Technology Strategy Board's Ultra Low Carbon Vehicle Demonstrator Program. It will see 35 brand new all electric vehicles on trial across the North East region from November 2010. The vehicles will be leased to organisations, councils, car clubs and individuals across the region, providing real life experience of living with an electric car.

The Vehicles

Several different makes and models of electric car are being developed for this trial. The Nissan LEAF, the Avid CUE-V, the Liberty E-Range and the Smith Electric Vehicle Edison mini bus will all be provided for the trial. The different specifications and performances of the vehicles mean they will be deployed in different circumstances, testing the capability of electric vehicles in many capacities. The vehicles manufactures all have a strong presence in the North East.

The Partners

As well as the vehicle manufactures, the project is being sponsored by the Technology Strategy Board and One North East. Data collection and analysis will be completed by the University of Newcastle, and over all project management is being provided by Newcastle based Future Transport Systems.

Find Out More

Information about the trial, including case studies of the trial candidates and technical information and photographs of the cars, is available on the project website: www.switchev.co.uk.

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