

# Scaling the transition towards zero emission fleets



Deloitte ran simulations to better understand the different levers for fleet electrification

- Fleet managers must carefully **balance operational costs** and **service levels** while optimizing the **business value** to make the change successful:



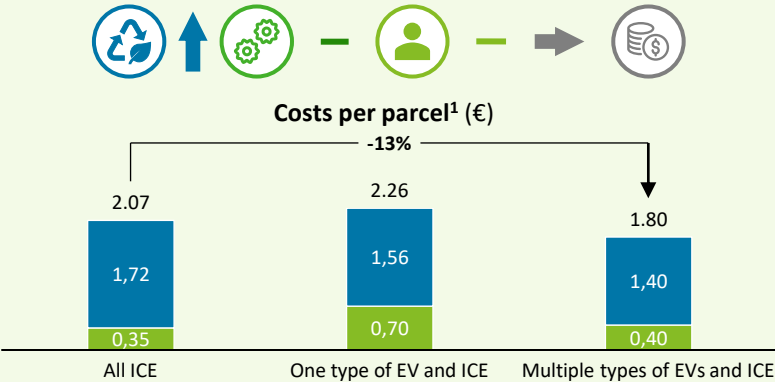
- In collaboration with Chargetrip, Deloitte ran simulations to evaluate the **feasibility** of transitioning to a fully electric using actual data from 193 routes



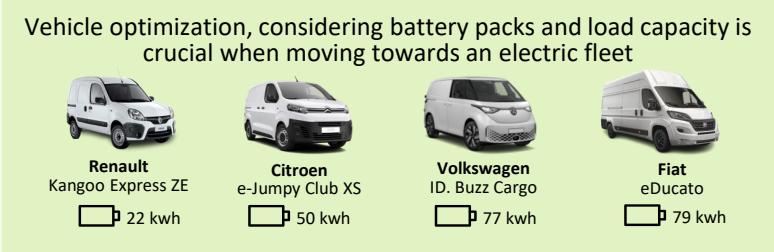
To alleviate operational fears, the simulation contains **conservative conditions**, including a large postal code region, winter temperatures (-3 °C), and 49.7% rural routes



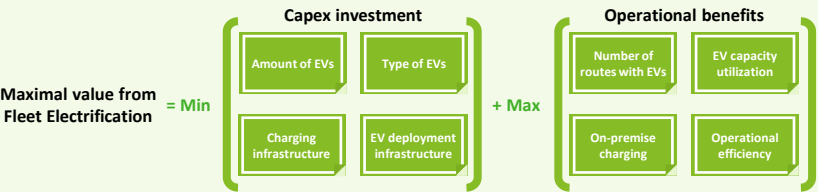
Many routes can already be electrified by integrating EVs without modifying the operational set-up or service levels



- An intelligent mix of ICE vehicles and EVs allows **72%** of routes to be electrified without on-route charging, saving **35g CO<sub>2</sub>e** per parcel



## Trade off within the operational boundaries

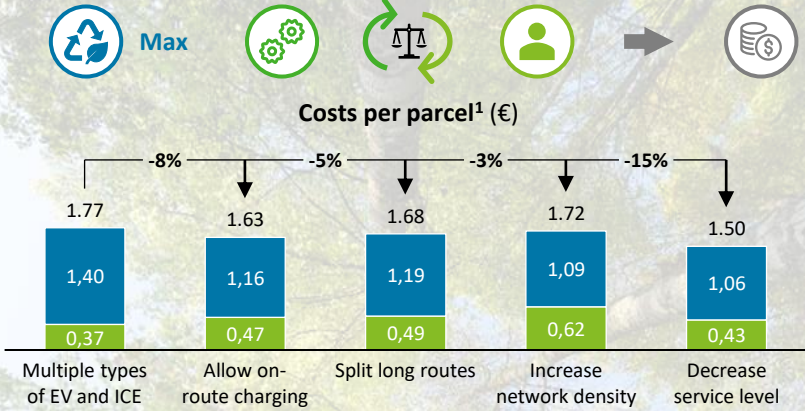


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Operational costs per parcel (OPEX) Purchasing price per parcel (CAPEX)



Full fleet electrification can be achieved without price premium, factoring the need for operational and/or service level adjustments



- The transition to a fully electric fleet does not necessarily result in higher costs
- Strategically balancing operational changes and potential service level adjustments is required for this transition
- Factors such as cut-off times, charging infrastructure and network density require careful planning and strategic choices

## Key beliefs for improving the operational boundaries





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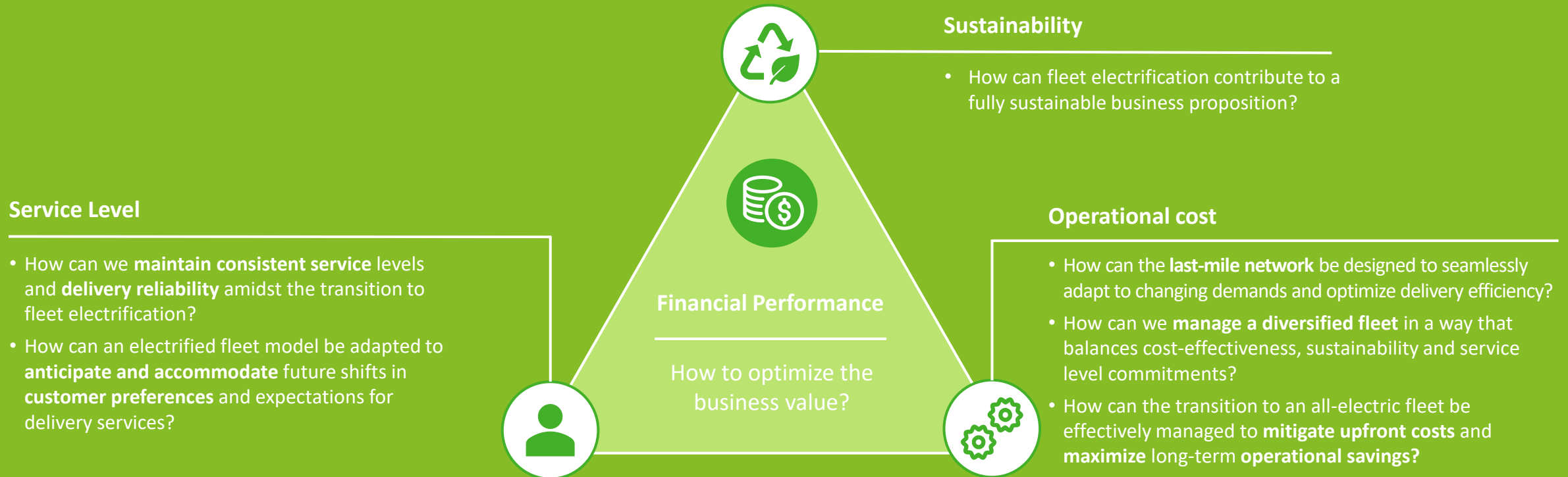
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# Key considerations for fleet managers in last-mile fulfillment companies aiming for full electrification

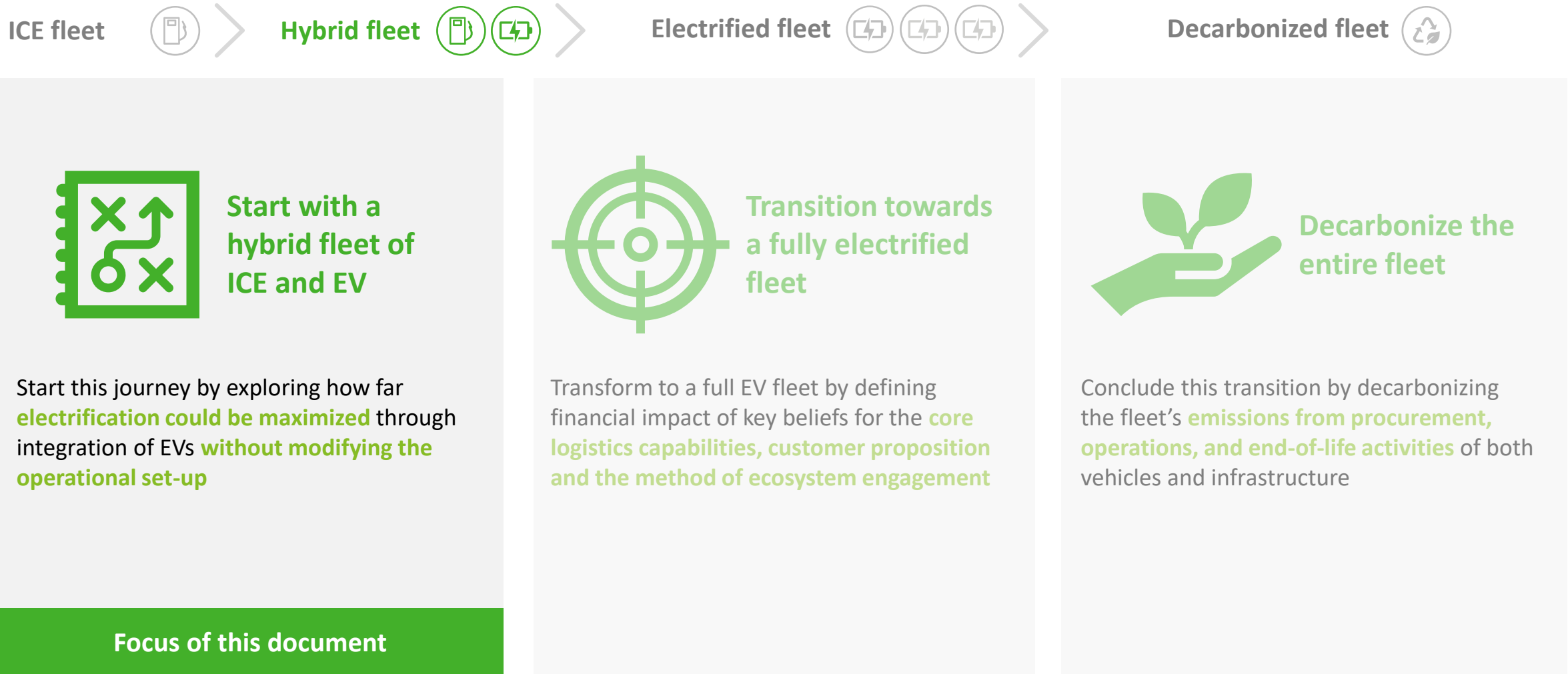
Optimizing business value depends on balancing operational costs and service level adjustments

In this point of view, we examine the impact of complete fleet electrification, and the related operational and/or service level adjustments, on **financial performance**

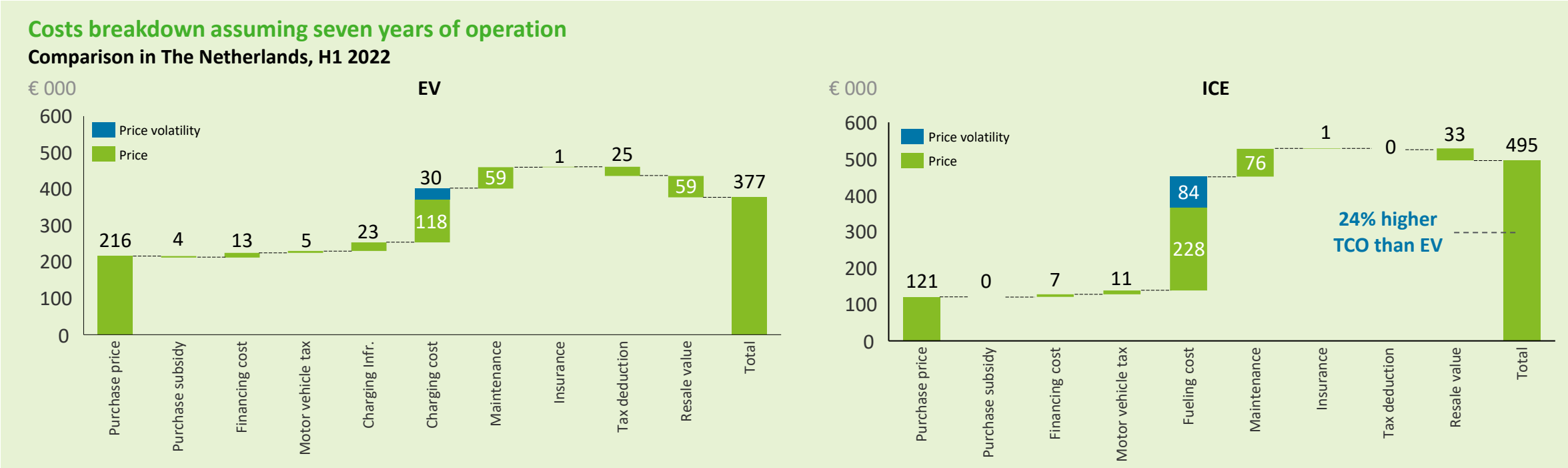





A sizable share of the fleet can shift to electric without route changes, considering typical patterns. Yet, some routes still need alternative solutions for full decarbonization




# Electrification could lower the total cost of ownership by 24% in The Netherlands




**There are three key uncertainties**



**Purchase subsidies and tax deductions**  
differ per country and year



**Fluctuating prices for electricity and fueling**  
cover a large part of total cost of ownership

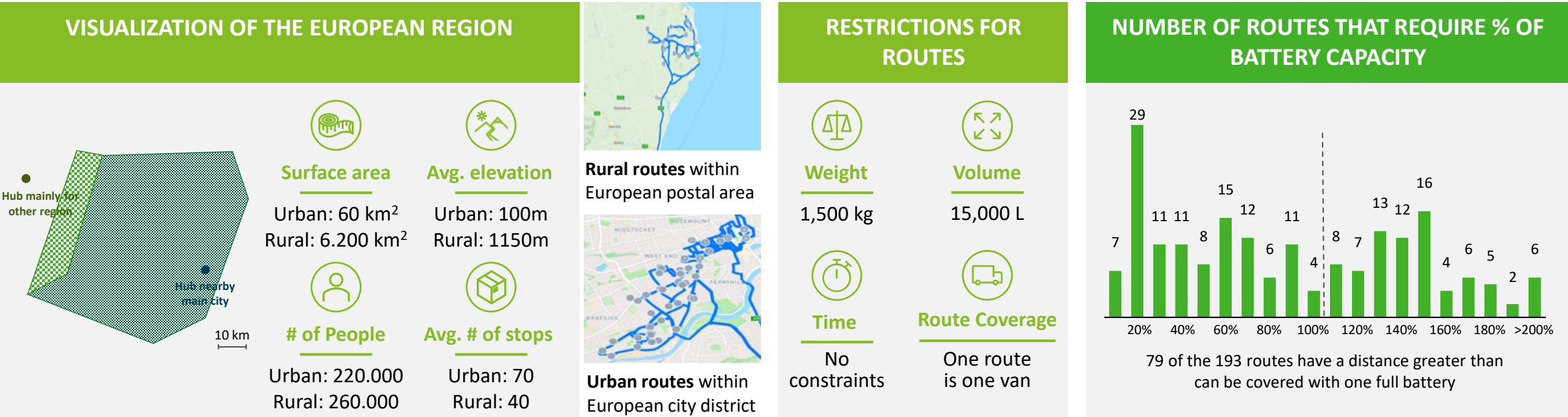


**Alternative technologies** are not considered in this comparison

Notes: 1) Resale value is based on annual depreciation beginning from net purchase price; 2) Models above assume 80,000 KM annual route distance; 3) Electricity and diesel prices based on H1 2022 Eurostat data; 4) Comparison with Germany available in appendix; 5) Price volatility of fuel based 2022 prices of [Diesel Fuel prices in Netherlands • fuel-prices.eu](#)

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Total of 193 routes driven in the European region, split between urban and rural routes




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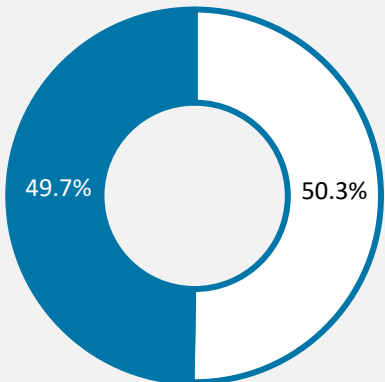
### SIMULATION CHARACTERISTICS

**Conservative circumstances:**

- Significant share of rural routes
- Winter circumstances
- One of Europe’s largest postal code areas
- Limited public charging infrastructure



-3°C



49.7% 50.3%

Urban

Rural

### CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE REGION

**Limitations to charging capacity in the region:**

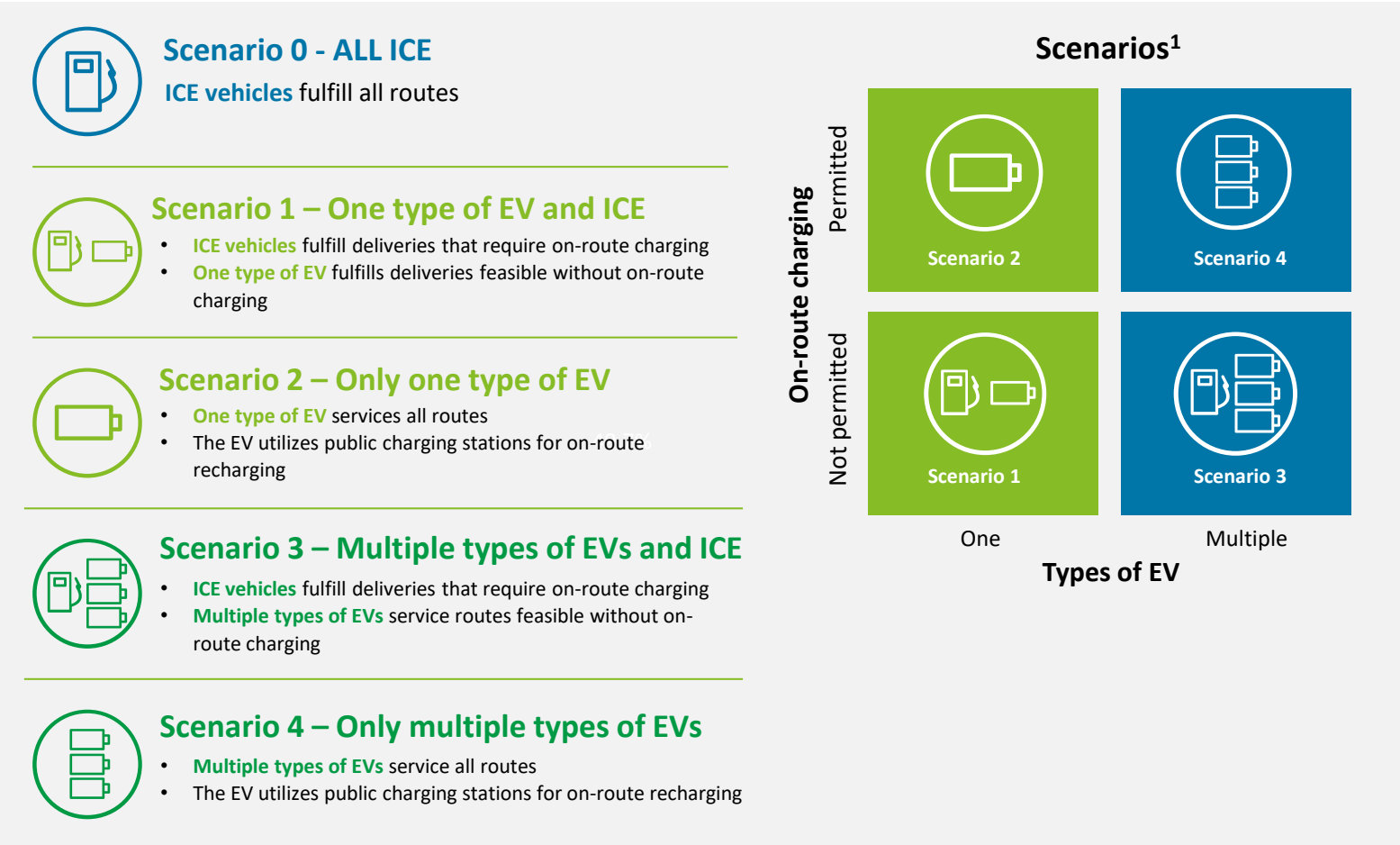
- Region’s city located on far east side of the postal code area
- Limited chargers accessible in rural areas
- Most available chargers have a 50 kW charge capacity (*compared to widespread 300 kW*)

**Charging stations in region:**

	Urban	Rural
22 kWh	49	43
50 kWh	17	23
>50 kWh	4	0

All results have been cross-referenced considerably smaller regions, which have better public charging infrastructure


The simulated case examines four distinct scenarios for completing these 193 routes, varying in the types of vehicles used and the permissibility of on-route charging





Scenario 1: A 100% increase in vehicle capex and a 9% decrease in opex  
Scenario 2: A 163% increase in vehicle capex and a 17% decrease in opex

METRICS




MEASURES

**Vehicle purchasing price** (excluding resale value), assuming 7 years of operation

**Operational costs (OPEX)** includes fueling cost, charging cost and cost of labor hours

Both measures are calculated **per year**, and divided by yearly volume to result in purchasing price and operational cost **per parcel**

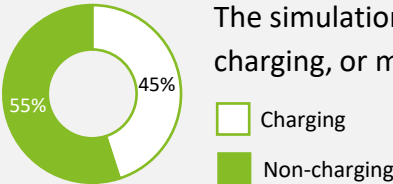


TOOL USED

The Deloitte database is used in combination with a **fleet route batch tool** from Chargetrip

SCENARIOS 1 AND 2: KEY CONCLUSIONS

ROUTES ELIGIBLE FOR ELECTRIFICATION

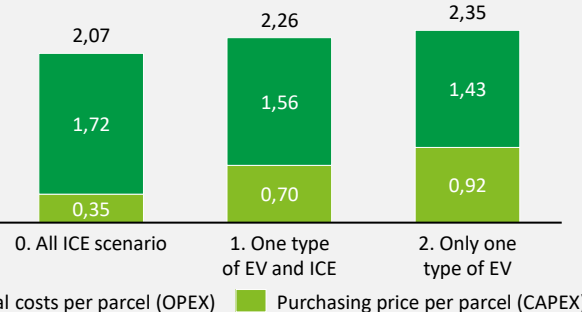


The simulation suggests it is already feasible to electrify **55%** of routes without on-route charging, or making a change in routing patterns or network set-up


Scenario 1 (one type of EV and ICE) results in a vehicles capex<sup>1</sup> increase of **100%** compared to the all ICE scenario. Scenario 2 (one type of EV) results in a **163%** capex increase versus all ICE

Scenario 1 demonstrates a **9%** reduction in opex compared to all ICE. In the all-EV scenario, operational costs decreases by **17%** compared to all ICE, primarily due to the difference in charging and fueling costs

**COST PER PARCEL (€)**



Scenario	Operational costs per parcel (OPEX) (€)	Purchasing price per parcel (CAPEX) (€)	Total (€)
0. All ICE scenario	1,72	0,35	2,07
1. One type of EV and ICE	1,56	0,70	2,26
2. Only one type of EV	1,43	0,92	2,35



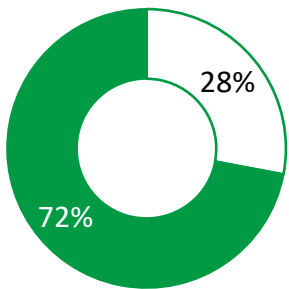
Per parcel **0.35 kg** of CO<sub>2</sub>e is saved by electrifying the routes without on-route charging

The benefits can increase when choosing a carefully calibrated mix of vehicles and battery capacities to better cater for varying transportation needs

Scenario 3: a 14% increase in vehicle capex and a 18% decrease in opex  
Scenario 4: a 31% increase in vehicle capex and a 33% decrease in opex

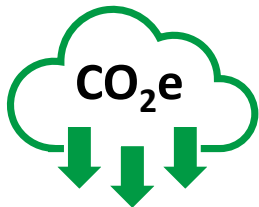
SCENARIOS 3 AND 4: KEY CONCLUSIONS

ROUTES ELIGIBLE FOR ELECTRIFICATION



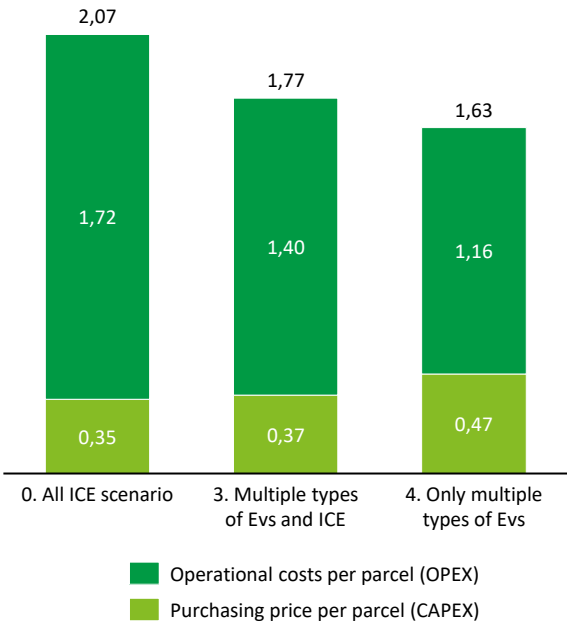
With a **carefully calibrated mix of Evs** **72%** of the routes can be driven without on-route charging

Charging  
Non-charging



By mixing EVs, a total CO<sub>2</sub>e of **0.64 kg** per parcel is saved: **83%** more than **scenario 1**

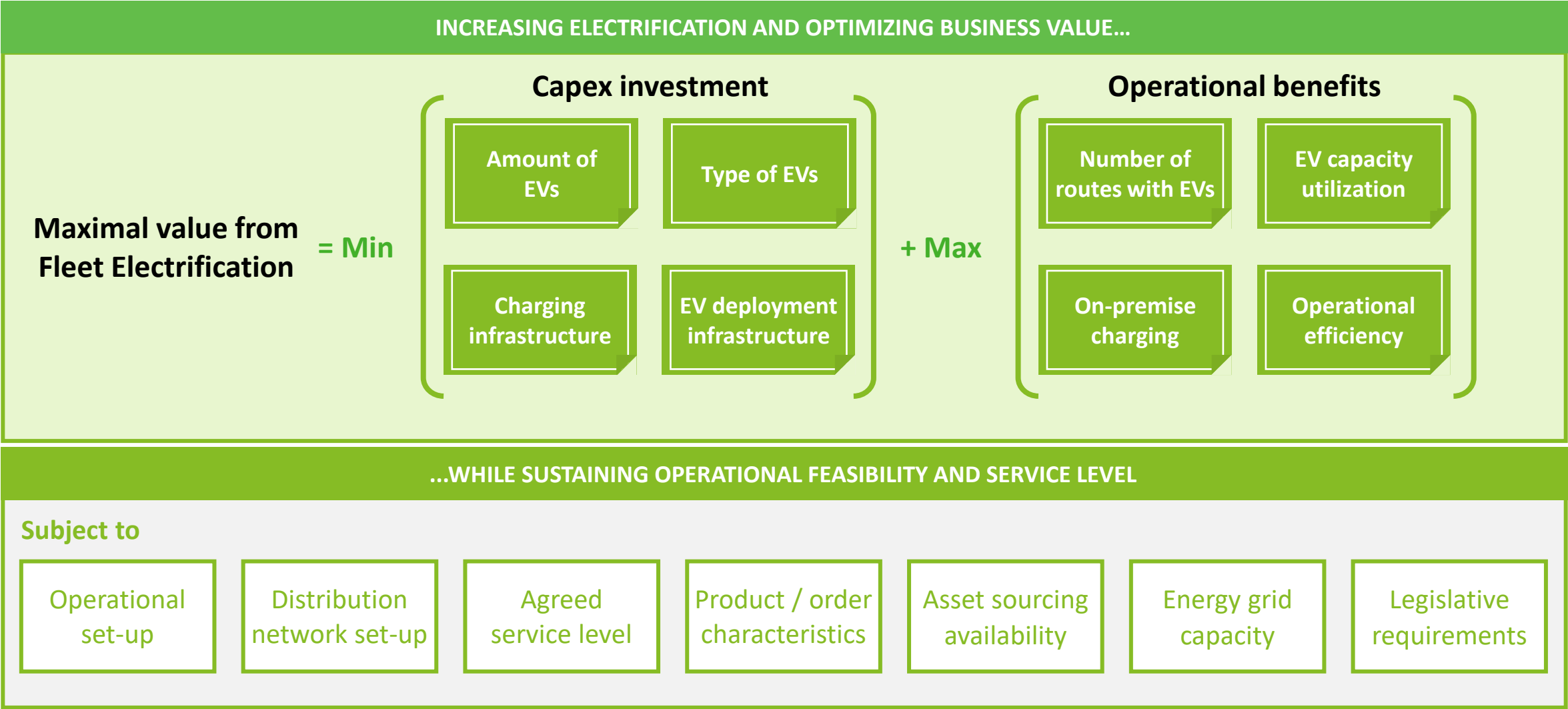
COST PER PARCEL (€)



- Scenario 3 (multiple types of EVs and ICE) increases vehicle capex <sup>1</sup> by **6%** compared to all ICE, while scenario 4 (multiple types of EVs) requires a **34%** capex increase
- Scenario 3 lowers opex by **18%** compared to all ICE, while Scenario 4 produces a **33%** reduction in opex
- The lower capex compared to scenarios 1 and 2 is due to the careful alignment of vehicle mix with the route patterns – low cost Evs with smaller battery capacities are used for shorter routes
- The lower opex compared to scenario 1 and 2 is due to a larger number of routes being fulfilled with lower fueling costs

The simulation highlighted how using EVs with different battery capacities and charging profiles allows for a flexible range of operations and optimization of charging stations to reduce infrastructure cost

A strategic trade-off is required to determine the maximal value from fleet electrification given operational constraints



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## Verification of case results | The alternate region represents a smaller and more urban region, resulting in the possibility to drive all routes with an EV in both base and hybrid case scenarios

### VERIFICATION TEST

We translated our test case in the European region to another region (~8 times as small), which is a representative size of many EUR regions to show a holistic view of Europe. All other test circumstances are kept equally conservative, concerning:

- Winter circumstances
- Conservative fuel and electricity prices



### GENERIC DIFFERENCES

The alternative test results show

- Routes with **mostly urban characteristics** with short stem times
- **Total routing time is short** in comparison with the EUR region



### BASE CASE

In the base case, the Bournemouth area offers the possibility to drive **100%** of the last mile delivery routes with EVs without on-route charging required

### HYBRID CASE

In the hybrid case, there is **no need for the largest battery pack**, as the small and medium battery packs are sufficient to cover all routes without on-route charging