



EPTA Buys Danish Refrigeration Systems Manufacturer

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Epta, the Italian commercial refrigeration group, bought Knudsen Kølring, the Danish refrigeration and CO2 systems designer, installer and maintenance business, the company announced this week.

The move will help Epta's to strengthen its business in the Nordics, a region which has high environmental and energy efficiency standards.

Knudsen Kølring's head office is in Copenhagen and the business works closely with retailers and industry with highly efficient refrigerated cabinets and

refrigeration solutions through its service and distribution partners. Knudsen Kølring is a strong industry brand in the Nordics and works with retailers Coop Group, Dansk Supermarked, Dagrofa/Norgesgruppen, and Reitan.

Epta already has offices in Finland and Norway, where it works with retailers directly and through distributors. The region's move into natural refrigerants is one reason for the purchase, as well as Epta winning more market share. With over 1,000 CO2 systems installations completed between Knudsen Kølring and Epta, the company is experienced in this fast growing part of the market.

Epta's CEO, Marco Nocivelli said:

"Since the year 2000 Knudsen Kølring has been one of the most dynamic players in Denmark in the development of CO2 systems. The acquisition of Knudsen Kølring is a perfect match for our expansion plan to strengthen our presence in the refrigeration market worldwide, through partnership with leading brands in their respective countries."

No details about the financial arrangements in the deal were announced.

