



## Fastned wins at Council of State: shop and toilets allowed at fast charging stations

### Dutch Council of State overturns Minister's policy

Amsterdam, 23 January 2019. **Fastned, which is building a European network of fast charging stations, has won the appeal that it filed at the Dutch Council of State. Fastned appealed the decision of the Minister of Infrastructure and the Environment in which Fastned was refused a permit for a shop and toilets at two of its charging stations. With this ruling, the policy of the Minister that such facilities are never permitted at charging stations along the motorway has been overturned.**

The case concerned two charging stations at service areas 'Velder' and 'De Horn' along motorways A2 and A7, but has consequences for all charging stations along Dutch motorways. The ruling is a big step towards full-service charging stations where electric drivers can also enjoy a cup of coffee and a sandwich while charging. Fastned hopes that as a result of this ruling the Minister will support the realisation of these important facilities for electric drivers. This is urgently needed given the rapidly growing number of electric cars and charging sessions along the motorway. The Dutch State has set the goal that all new cars should be emission-free from 2030 onwards. Full service fast charging stations contribute to this objective. Fastned founder

*Michiel Langezaal: "This is very good news for electric drivers. They want to drink a cup of coffee and go to the toilet, just like people with a gasoline car."*

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#### ABOUT FASTNED

Fastned is building a European network of fast-charging stations where all electric cars can charge as fast as possible with 100% renewable energy. The stations are located at high traffic locations along the highways and in cities, where EVs can charge in approximately 20 minutes. Fastned's goal is to build a European network of one thousand fast charging stations. This will give electric drivers the freedom to drive across Europe. As of today, Fastned has 85 stations operational in The Netherlands and Germany. Fastned is preparing the construction of fast charging stations in The Netherlands, Germany, The United Kingdom and Belgium. Fastned is listed on the Nxchange stock exchange.

Fastned is rolling out its network of fast charging stations in response to the rapidly increasing numbers of EVs in Europe. Car manufacturers are investing billions of Euros in the development of, and production capacity for, EVs. More and more EVs are hitting the roads, which drives the need for charging infrastructure. For more information go to [www.fastned.nl/en](http://www.fastned.nl/en)

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