Ford Will Build Electric Vehicles

Ford Motor Company announced last month it will build a fleet of 70-100 electric cars in order to gain experience before going into large-scale production.

The company said it ultimately plans to develop a "customer-friendly" electric vehicle for the second half of the decade. Ford said production of the test vehicles will begin as early as next year and be completed by 1993.

"This fleet will provide us experience in designing, developing and manufacturing electric vehicles," said John McTague, Ford vice president for technical affairs.

The Ford electric vehicles are based on the European Escort van. The vehicles will use a high-energy sodium sulfur battery developed by ford.

The auto manufacturer said the vehicles will have a range of 100 miles, accellerate from zero-to-50 in 14 seconds and require about six hours for recharging.

Some of the vehicles will have a small internal combustion engine to extend the range to at least 250 miles.



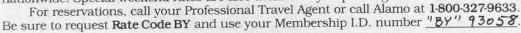


New Cobra Model Kit Available

Monogram is now offering a 1/24th 427 Cobra Street Machine model kit. The kit is molded in red, is 6-5/8 inches long with clear and plated parts. The hood opens to show a 427 cubic inch V8. The kit is available through MCC Inc., 7138 Maddox Road, Lithonia, GA 30058. Kit price is \$8.00 plus \$1.50 shipping.

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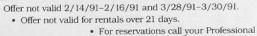
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