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A contract worth approximately €280 Million

Alstom to deliver Australia's first fully-automated rapid transit trains

Alstom will deliver Sydney's new generation of rapid transit trains as part of the North West Rail Link, Australia's first fully-automated rail network and Australia's largest public transport project.

Under the operations contract for the North West Rail Link, awarded today to the Northwest Rapid Transit consortium, Alstom will be responsible for the project management, design, supply, manufacturing, testing and commissioning of the rolling stock and signalling systems.

Alstom will supply 22 six-car fully-automated Metropolis train sets and the Communications Based Train Control (CBTC) signalling system.

Under the contract, the North West Rail Link is expected to open in 2019.

"Alstom's Metropolis and computer based train control signalling systems are based on proven platforms that have been adapted to the specific needs of Sydney which will ensure fast, safe and reliable services to the residents of Sydney's North West", said Bernard Joyce, Managing Director of Alstom Transport in Australia and New Zealand.

Alstom's Metropolis is a world leading, proven, safe and reliable train that serves many of the great global cities including Amsterdam, Barcelona and Singapore, with more than 10 years of operational experience in fully-automated operation. More than 4000 cars have been sold in over 40 cities.

The streamlined design for Sydney's rapid transit trains has been developed to meet the needs of customers in Sydney.

The trains will include 3 double-doors per car for improved access and passenger flows, large windows, ambient LED lighting. They will also have the highest levels of customer safety including constant CCTV monitoring, emergency intercoms and the latest way-finding aids for customer information and real time travel information. The system will be equipped with Alstom's world leading computer based train control system, Urbalis 400, which minimises the time stopping at stations and the times between each service – ensuring a comfortable and reliable journey for all passengers.

The North West Rail Link further strengthens Alstom's position as a leading supplier of railway infrastructure for the Australian market

The NRT consortium, made up of MTR Corporation (Australia), John Holland, Leighton Contractors, UGL Rail Services and Plenary Group, have been awarded the Operations, Trains and Systems (OTS) contract from Transport for New South Wales (TfNSW), the State's public transport authority, to supply and operate the new rapid transit system.

About Alstom

Alstom is a global leader in the world of power generation, power transmission and rail infrastructure and sets the benchmark for innovative and environmentally friendly technologies. Alstom builds the fastest train and the highest capacity automated metro in the world, provides turnkey integrated power plant solutions and associated services for a wide variety of energy sources, including hydro, nuclear, gas, coal and wind, and it offers a wide range of solutions for power transmission, with a focus on smart grids. The Group employs 93,000 people in around 100 countries. It had sales of over €20 billion and booked €21.5 billion in orders in 2013/14.

About Alstom Australia

Alstom has been providing Australia's essential infrastructure for more than 100 years, employing close to 800 staff across 18 sites that include offices, engineering facilities, workshops and manufacturing facilities.

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