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Alstom receives an order worth approximately €130 million from SNCF to supply a further 19 Regiolis regional trains

The SNCF (French national railways) has placed an order worth approximately €130 million* with Alstom Transport for an additional 19 Regiolis regional trains from the Coradia Polyvalent range. This order falls within the framework of the contract signed on 27 October 2009 with the SNCF and financed by the French regions. The initial contract consisted of a firm tranche totalling €800 million for the supply of 100 Coradia Polyvalent trains.

The first 119 trainsets will be distributed between the regions of Alsace, Aquitaine, Lorraine, Midi-Pyrenees, Pays de la Loire, Provence - Alpes - Cote d'Azur and Picardie. The total number of Coradia Polyvalent trains could eventually reach 1,000 units, generating over €7 billion. Deliveries are scheduled to begin in 2013 and end in mid-2015.

The highly modular Coradia Polyvalent range is a single-level regional train offering several different technical configurations along with modular fittings for passengers. It can travel at up to 160kph in both its electric or hybrid versions and operates at two different voltages (25 kV and 1500 V). It is also available in a transborder version for operation on the German and Swiss rail networks at a voltage of 15 kV. This low-floor regional train offers travellers optimal accessibility and full all-point visibility for improved security. Motor bogies are positioned at the ends of the carriages to limit vibrations and noise levels.

The Coradia Polyvalent consumes about 15% less energy than its competitors (hence reducing CO₂ emissions) and its design incorporates eco-friendly materials. It is equipped with more compact, more efficient permanent magnet motors, compared to traditional electric motors. The technical choices incorporated into its design serve the twofold purpose of facilitating maintenance and optimizing life-cycle cost.

All the equipment will be designed, produced and assembled at Alstom Transport's French sites.

Thanks to over 30 years' experience in regional transportation, the Alstom Coradia family range of intercity and regional trains provides solutions to sharply increasing road and motorway traffic and to continuing suburban sprawl. Alstom has already built over 3,000 regional trains in its French, German and Italian plants, which together have covered over 4 billion kilometres.

** This order was booked in Q3 of the fiscal year 2009-2010*

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