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Two contracts worth a total of €326 million

Alstom to supply 57 Citadis tramways to the cities of Oran and Constantine in Algeria

The Algerian public transport company EMA (Entreprise du Métro d'Alger) has signed two contracts with Alstom and its partners to supply "turnkey" tramway systems for the cities of Oran and Constantine. The two projects will involve the civil engineering, rolling stock and infrastructure. They represent a total amount of approximately €662 million, of which €326 million for Alstom.

The contract for the city of Oran calls for an 18 km line, serving 32 stations. Its value is worth €355 million, of which €148 million for Alstom. The TRAMNOUR consortium is made up of Alstom Transport and the Spanish group Isolux CORSAN. Alstom will supply 30 Citadis tramways, which will be manufactured at the group's factory in Barcelona, Spain, the operating system (signalling and telecommunications), the depot equipment and the substations. Isolux CORSAN will be in charge of the civil engineering, track, engineering and overhead catenary. The first trainsets will enter commercial service 26 months after the contract takes effect.

The Constantine contract is worth €307 million, of which €178 million for Alstom. It concerns an 8 km line, serving 11 stations. The consortium is made up of Alstom Transport and the Italian company Pizzarotti. Alstom will supply 27 Citadis tramways, the track, electrical power supply, operating system (signalling and telecommunications) and the depot equipment. The trams will be manufactured at the group's factory in La Rochelle (France). Pizzarotti will perform the civil engineering works. The first trainsets will enter commercial service 27 months after the contract takes effect.

These projects form part of the Algerian government's development programme to respond to the growing need for public transport. Alstom had previously been entrusted with a turnkey project by EMA, in 2006, for the construction of the Algiers tramway.

"After Tunis, Algiers and Rabat, the choice made by the cities of Oran and Constantine confirms Alstom's position in the urban transport market in North Africa, a market that is currently experiencing strong growth", declared Philippe Mellier, President of Alstom Transport.

These successes demonstrate Alstom Transport's ability to manage entire transport projects, offering solutions that include the rolling stock, signalling, infrastructure and services. This turnkey market is a strongly growing one, due to the fact that the growing complexity of technical solutions and infrastructure projects is leading more customers to demand complete solutions. Alstom is currently managing projects of this type in around twenty countries worldwide, such as the new section of London-Paris line, the Singapore metro and the Reims tramway in France.

About Alstom Transport

A promoter of sustainable mobility, Alstom Transport develops and markets the most complete range of systems, equipment and services in the railway sector. Alstom Transport manages entire transport systems, taking in rolling stock, signalling and infrastructure, and offers “turnkey” solutions. In the 2006/07 financial year, Alstom Transport’s sales lifted the company to the number one position in the world transport market. During the first nine months of 2007/08, Alstom booked orders up by 38% and sales up by 21% versus the same period of the previous year.

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