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A contract worth €120 million

Alstom to supply track works for the Singapore metro's Downtown Line

Alstom Transport has been awarded a contract worth €120 million by the Singapore Land Transport Authority (LTA) to supply tracks for Singapore metro's future Downtown Line (DTL), which will link the northwestern and eastern areas of the island to the Central Business District and the Marina Bay. The contract includes design, supply of the equipment, installation of 70 kilometres of tracks and of a 750 VCC power supply third rail, testing and commissioning for the Downtown Line. The contract is for the stages 1 and 2 of the project (to be completed in 2013 and 2015), which will be built in 3 stages. It also includes the extension of the existing North South Line.

Alstom already equipped two other lines of the Singapore metro, the North East Line (NEL) and the Circle Line. The company supplied the metro carriages and successfully installed its Urbalis technology in the NEL, the largest automatic metro system in the world, in service since 2003.

Alstom is also in charge of the Circle Line turnkey project since 2000. In addition to the rolling stock, the contract includes engineering of the entire system, construction of the tracks, provision of power supply systems and signalling equipment and the train management and supervision system. When it is put into full service in 2011, the Circle Line will be the longest fully automated metro line worldwide stretching 33 km of in-tunnel track.

In fulfilling this contract, Alstom will draw on its expertise in the area of infrastructure (electrification of railway lines, track laying, electromechanical systems for new lines, modernization of existing lines). Alstom has already electrified more than 10,000 kilometers and has laid more than 2,000 kilometers of track. Apart from Singapore's automatic metro, the company has been awarded large-scale contracts for China's high-speed Shi-Tai line, the "High Speed 1" Paris-London link and Turkey's Marmaray project.

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