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Stadler wins contract to manufacture 12 trams for the Metropolitan Train Project of Cochabamba, Bolivia

For the first time electric trams will be operating in Bolivia. The METELITSA type model will have a capacity of up to 200 passengers and will be in commercial service by 2020.

The Swiss rail vehicle manufacturer Stadler has been awarded the contract to manufacture and deliver 12 trams for the Cochabamba Metropolitan Train project. The order has been granted by The "Asociación Accidental Tunari" formed by the Spanish construction company JOCA, a company of the ICADI Group, and the Swiss Molinari Rail AG.

The contract has been signed on 26 February, 2018. The delivery of the METELITSA vehicle is planned for August of next year. According to the contract Stadler will also support the Asociación Accidental Tunari with the technical maintenance of the trams for three years. The vehicle will link the municipalities of Sacaba, Cercado, Colcapirua, Quillacollo, Vinto and Sipe Sipe in the Department of Cochabamba, providing transport services to more than 1 million people.

The trams will be assembled in a European factory and, once verified, disassembled by modules and shipped to Cochabamba. The shipment of the tram modules is estimated to last one and a half month.

Characteristics of the METELITSA type tram

The 3-car low floor trams are of modular buildup with a track gauge of 1,435 mm, a total length of 33 meters, width of 2.50 meters, height of 3.60 meters (pantograph not including), a capacity for up to 200 passengers and space for four wheelchairs, which can be increased.

A special feature of this lightweight tram is its designed maximum speed of 80 kilometers per hour. The vehicles will have doors on both sides of the car.

Tram of the future

JOCA, the Spanish construction company belonging to the ICADI Group, and the Swiss MOLINARI RAIL AG, started to work on the metropolitan train for Cochabamba (third largest city in Bolivia) in August of last year. The project commencement was preceded by the provision of all guarantees and compliance conditions of the competent authorities required in the bidding process, as well as the formalization of the

aforementioned contract. It is a three-year contract granted within an international tendering procedure. It will be financed by the General Treasury of the State of Bolivia and executed by JOCA and the Swiss company Molinari Rail AG.







About Stadler

Stadler has been building trains for 75 years. The system provider of rail vehicle construction solutions is headquartered in Bussnang in Eastern Switzerland, and has a workforce of over 7500 based in various production, service and engineering locations across Switzerland, Germany, Spain, Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Belarus and the United States. Service locations are also being operated in countries including Algeria, Denmark, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Russia, Sweden and the UK. Stadler provides a comprehensive range of products in the heavy and urban transport segments: High-speed trains, intercity trains, regional and commuter rail trains, underground trains, tram trains and trams. Furthermore, Stadler also manufactures main-line locomotives, shunting locomotives and passenger carriages, including the most powerful diesel-electric locomotive in Europe. Stadler is the world's leading manufacturer in the rack-and-pinion rail vehicle industry.

More Stadler figures: The best-selling FLIRT (Fast Light Intercity- and Regional Train) vehicle has already sold over 1500 units in a total of 17 countries. The KISS (the name is an acronym of the German for Comfortable Innovative Speedy Suburban Train) is also very popular: It has sold 271 units in 10 countries. The most powerful diesel-electric locomotive in Europe, the EURO4000, has sold 140 units in 7 countries. Additionally, Stadler Service maintains vehicle fleets comprising over 680 vehicles that cover a combined annual distance of 120 million kilometers in 16 different countries.

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