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A contract worth around 160 million euros

Alstom to supply 17 Régiolis to the Rhône-Alpes region

Alstom is to supply 17 Régiolis to the Rhône-Alpes region, destined for the future Franco-Valdo-Genevois RER which will circulate on the CEVA (Cornavin–Eaux-Vives–Annemasse) cross-border line that links the region of Haute-Savoie with Switzerland. The value of this contract amounts to €160 million. The order is an option exercised in the context of a framework contract signed with SNCF in 2009.

The Régiolis for the Rhône-Alpes region is adapted to the characteristics of the French-Swiss CEVA line. Supplied in its suburban configuration, every 72 metre-long trainset can transport up to 204 seated passengers at a maximum speed of 160 km/h. By coupling four trainsets together, the capacity of the train can reach 800 seats. Designed to ensure cross-border connections, Régiolis can circulate on a variety of supply network voltages¹ in total security thanks to ERTMS² technology.

«This new order is proof of the undeniable confidence placed in Alstom's new generation of regional trains by the French regions and SNCF. These 17 Régiolis come in addition to the 184 trains previously ordered (of which 79 have already been delivered) by 12 French regions. With over 3 million kilometres covered, Régiolis can demonstrate all their qualities in terms of comfort and reliability,» said Ana Giros, Managing Director Alstom Transport France.

To make exchanges more fluid and reduce stopping time in stations, the Régiolis for the Rhône-Alpes region is equipped with a fully low floor, seven doors on each side, each equipped with bridging plates, and a large reception area on the platforms. Régiolis is the first train to conform to the STI PMR³ standard. The train's interior offers heightened comfort thanks to seats equipped with individual reading lights and electric sockets as well as dedicated storage spaces for bicycles and luggage. The quality of the journey has also been improved by large bay windows and reduced noise levels.

The production of Régiolis generates over 4000 jobs in France for Alstom and its suppliers. Six out of the twelve Alstom sites in France participate in the project: Saint-Ouen for the design, Reichshoffen for the conception and assembly, Ornans for the motors, Le Creusot for the bogies, Tarbes for the traction chain equipment and Villeurbanne for the onboard electronics.

¹ 25 kV, 1500 V and 15 kV for Germany and Switzerland

² European standard for rail interoperability

³ Technical Specification for Interoperability – Persons with Reduced Mobility

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