



Volvo Bus Corporation

Press Information

Order for 300 Volvo double-deck buses in Singapore

Volvo Buses has secured an order for 300 double-deck buses from SBS Transit in Singapore with a value of about US\$ 110 million. SBS Transit has once again opted for environmentally enhanced Euro V engines.

SBS Transit is one of Volvo Buses' most important customers. Since 1981, Volvo has delivered more than 1,700 buses to the Company. The last order was for 150 double-deck buses in 2009. With this order, Volvo has secured its position as the primary supplier of double-deck buses to meet SBS Transit's new vehicle requirements into 2012.

The order is for 300 double-deck buses built on the Volvo B9TL chassis. The chassis will be produced in Borås, Sweden, while the bodywork that is to be made by Wrightbus will be mounted in Singapore. Deliveries will commence in 2011 and be completed by end 2012.

SBS Transit has opted to equip the buses with engines that comply with Euro V. It has not yet been decided when these requirements will be introduced in Singapore, but this is the way for SBS Transit to show its continued commitment to environmental protection in Singapore.

In a first for SBS Transit, the buses will also be equipped with Volvo's latest fleet management system, ITS4mobility. This system will allow SBS Transit to monitor the buses operational efficiency and also driver behaviour which will assist in reducing fuel consumption and general running costs.

SBS Transit Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Gan Juay Kiat, said: "We have been renewing our fleet over the last five years to provide our commuters with a more comfortable and safer ride. The new buses are also environmentally friendly, which is a key consideration for us."

"This order once again underlines the strong relationship built up between SBS Transit and Volvo Buses over many years of close partnership," says Alec Bell, Volvo Buses'

Area Director South East Asia. “The quality provided by the B9TL chassis combined with Wrightbus bodywork provides SBS Transit with an environmentally advanced, solution that is fuel-efficient and reliable, best suited to Singapore’s demanding operations. This, together with Volvo Buses commitment to providing world class service and parts support provided the winning formula”

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