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New tramway for Mainz – Stadler receives the contract to supply Variobahn trams

The contract has been signed. Mainzer Verkehrsgesellschaft mbH has awarded Stadler Pankow GmbH the contract to supply nine Variobahn trams with an option for a further six vehicles.

Delivery of the one-directional vehicles will be made from 2012. The value of the order is around € 20 million.

“The Variobahn is penetrating ever further into the market,” said Michael Daum, Chief Executive Officer of Stadler Pankow GmbH, “and its modular construction allows us to adapt it individually to the infrastructure that is already available and so respond to the wishes that are put to us.”

Following Bochum, Munich, Nuremberg, Potsdam, Graz, Bergen and Lyon, trams from the Stadler stable will also be running in the streets of Mainz from 2012. Adapted individually to the needs of the city of Mainz, the 5-piece tram sets for Mainz offer greater comfort for their passengers. 100% low floor and four access doors on each side allow easy entry for wheelchairs, baby carriages and passengers with bulky luggage. The vehicles are 30 metres long and provide space for 174 passengers with 66 seats and a further eight fold-away seats. The light, friendly interior space is equipped with a modern passenger information system.

The maximum speed of the metre-gauge vehicles is 70 kph.

Stadler Pankow GmbH has facilities in Berlin and Velten and is the German company of the Swiss Stadler Rail Group and is the group's Competence Centre for trams and intra-city vehicles.

Stadler Rail Group, the provider of customised system solutions for railed vehicle construction, has sites in Switzerland at Altenrhein, Bussnang and Winterthur, in Germany at Berlin-Pankow and Velten, Overhavel, in Poland at Siedlce, in Hungary at Budapest, Pusztascabolcz and Szolnok and in Algeria at Algiers. The group employs more than 2,400 men and women. The best-known families of vehicles produced by the Stadler Rail Group are the GTW articulated power units with 470 trains sold, the Regio Shuttle RS1 with 402 trains sold, the FLIRT with 515 trains sold and the DOSTO double-deck rapid transit trains, of which 50 have been sold in the

railway segment and the Variobahn, with sales of 255 vehicles and the newly developed Tango, with 90 vehicles sold in the tramway segment. Stadler also produces carriages and diesel-electric locomotives and is the world's leading producer of rack-and-pinion railway vehicles.

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