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Stadler announces first ever contract in Turkey for Körfez Ulaştırma, which seals their biggest locomotive purchase

Stadler together with Turkish rail freight operator Körfez Ulaştırma announce the contract for seven hybrid locomotives of the EURODUAL type to be used in rail freight transport services in Turkey, as well as a maintenance agreement for eight years.

Stadler and Körfez Ulaştırma, the logistics affiliate of Turkey's largest refinery Tüpraş, signed a contract for the supply of seven Co'Co' hybrid locomotives of the EURODUAL type, as well as spare parts and a full service maintenance agreement for 8 years. The first locomotive is expected to be delivered by 2021 according to the contract.

These versatile locomotives are the first hybrid locomotives in Turkey. Körfez Ulaştırma will use them in freight transport services combining both 25 kV AC electric and diesel operating modes on lines with high gradient, where a strong traction force is required. The new EURODUAL will be utilized as a single locomotive to haul up to 2000 tons fuel product trains, which will improve the operational efficiency of the Turkish rail operator. The EURODUAL boasts a power range of 2,8 MW in diesel-electric operation and 6,15 MW in electric catenary operation, as well as an outstanding tractive effort of up to 500 kN, thanks to six-powered axles and a state-of-the-art adhesion control system.

Including this contract, the number of locomotives sold from the new generation of Co'Co' locomotives developed and manufactured by Stadler Valencia amounts to 74 units.

Körfez Ulaştırma is the first private operator in Turkey to secure a licence for freight transportation, since the government began issuing licenses to use its mainlines two years ago.

Iñigo Parra, Managing Director of Stadler Valencia, emphasised the importance of the project and the advantages of the new platform: "We are proud to expand the market of EURODUAL locomotives to Turkey and appreciate the trust of our client. The agreement corroborates our commitment to the development of this new locomotive family, offering rail operators numerous economic and environmental benefits."

Tufan Başarır, General Manager of Körfez Ulaştırma said: "We are rapidly growing our resources to increase our share in rail freight market and proud to have sealed the agreement with Stadler, a reputable player of the railway industry. This deal signifies the supply of the first batch of imported locomotives into Turkey for a private

sector player. The addition of powerful EURODUAL locomotives in our fleet will support our rail operations, providing us with a strong competitive advantage”.

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About Körfez Ulaştırma A.Ş.

A wholly owned subsidiary of Tüpraş, Körfez Ulaştırma A.Ş., is the first private railway operator in Turkey. The company started operations in December 2017 and transported ~3 million tons of products. Körfez Ulaştırma was established to maximize the rail mode transportation of Tüpraş loads, and also to grow further by transportation of other goods and thus play a vital role in increasing Turkey’s rail freight transport volume and share. With a total of 439 owned wagons, as well as some rented wagons leased from the market and 10 owned/leased locomotives, Körfez Ulaştırma continues to expand its operations.

About Tüpraş (Türkiye Petrol Rafinerileri A.Ş.)

Operating four oil refineries with a total of 30 million tons annual crude oil processing capacity, Tüpraş is the first and the largest producer in Turkey’s refining sector and largest industrial enterprise of the country. It is a part of Koç Group, a Fortune Global 500 company and Turkey’s leading conglomerate. Tüpraş has a subsidiary in sea transportation - Ditaş, a subsidiary in railway transportation - KUAŞ (Körfez Ulaştırma A.Ş.) and an affiliate in fuel oil distribution sector - Opet. As Europe’s 7th largest refining company, Tüpraş serves as an integrated oil company with distribution, shipping, railway and trading arms. 49% of shares are traded in Istanbul Stock Exchange. Tüpraş supplies 45 different types of petroleum products in Turkey. Tüpraş customer portfolio has a wide range including transportation fuel, LPG, bunker fuel and mineral oil distribution firms, petrochemical industry, paint industry and various state entities.

About Stadler

International rail vehicle construction company, Stadler, is headquartered in Bussnang in Eastern Switzerland. Founded in 1942, it has a workforce of over 8,500 based in various production and over 40 service locations. Stadler provides a comprehensive range of products in the heavy and urban transport segments: High-speed trains, intercity trains, regional and commuter heavy rail trains, underground trains, tram trains and trams. Stadler also manufactures main-line locomotives, shunting locomotives and passenger carriages, including the most powerful diesel-electric locomotive in Europe. It is the world’s leading manufacturer in the rack-and-pinion rail vehicle industry.

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