



Volvo Bus Corporation

Press Information

Volvo order for 328 buses for New York City

Volvo Buses has secured an order for 328 articulated buses for New York City through its subsidiary Nova Bus. The order is valued at USD 231 M.

The order applies to 328 Nova LFS articulated buses. The client, MTA New York City Transit, has a fleet of more than 6,000 buses, the largest bus fleet among all local transport companies in North America and one of the largest in the world.

In the past year, MTA tested 90 of Nova's articulated buses, including on Line M15 in Manhattan. They are the first buses in New York City with three doors and low floors throughout the bus, which contribute to more rapid and comfortable boarding and alighting.

The buses functioned very well during the test and contributed to the new major order. The 328 new buses will be delivered from August 2011 to April 2013.

"Nova Bus is proud to continue its partnership with MTA New York City Transit," said Nova Bus President and CEO Gilles Dion. "Since 2009, our teams have worked in close collaboration to customize our product to address the unique operational needs of New York City."

One prerequisite for selling city buses in the US is that a large portion of the manufacturing must also occur in the country. The buses for New York City will be manufactured in Nova Bus's plant in Plattsburgh, in the northern part of the State of New York.

"MTA has made the right choice in selecting a transit bus manufacturing company like Nova Bus for this contract," U.S. Senator Charles E. Schumer said. "This decision means that New York City riders will travel in safe, high-quality buses, and Upstate workers will have even greater economic opportunities in Plattsburgh – an absolutely perfect combination."

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