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Voith and Lineas sign maintenance contract

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- The contract covers the major overhaul of 30 locomotives type HLD 77 within the next four and a half years.
- The partners are currently negotiating the major overhaul of the type L4r4 turbo transmissions for the entire fleet of this locomotive model.
- The fundamentals of this collaboration are based on reliability improvement, cost reduction and downtime optimization.

KIEL/BRUSSELS. Voith and Lineas, the largest private rail freight operator in Europe, have signed a maintenance contract for the major overhaul of a first batch of 30 locomotives type HLD 77. The agreement covers a major overhaul with a predefined basic scope as well as other options for variant-specific components and for the type L4r4 turbo transmissions.

The work will be carried out within the next four and a half years. The fundamentals of this collaboration are based on reliability improvement, cost reduction and downtime optimizations. On top of analyzing the technical condition of the vehicles, Voith can potentially also perform several upgrades as part of the overhaul.

“This is the first step towards a long-term partnership between Voith and Lineas,” says Vincent Delfosse, Asset Maintenance Manager at Lineas. “Thanks to Voith, we have the support of a strong and reliable service partner with extensive experience in diesel locomotive technology that can provide us with qualitative maintenance services tailored to our needs.”

“We are delighted to now be able to consolidate our successful collaboration with Lineas. As an innovation driver and technology leader, we appreciate these kinds of constructive partnerships based on a spirit of trust. With our global network of qualified service employees and the latest digital tools and communication channels, we always provide our customers with the right service,” says Ulf Klaua, Director Sales Rail at Voith.



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About Lineas

Lineas is the largest private rail freight operator in Europe with headquarters in Belgium and sites in France, Germany, the Netherlands, Italy and Spain.

The company's mission is to offer such superior rail products and services that customers shift the transport of their goods from road to rail, thereby improving their supply chain while decreasing their negative impact on climate, mobility and air pollution.

Lineas' flagship product is the Green Xpress Network, which provides daily, fast and reliable rail connections between major Europe hubs, combining different types of cargo into one train. The GXN offering was launched in 2014 and now has 21 connections.

Lineas employs over 2,100 people and owns a fleet of 250 locomotives and 7,000 wagons. The company's shareholders are independent private equity group Argos Wityu together with Lineas management (90 percent) and NMBS/SNCB (10 percent).

About the Voith Group

The Voith Group is a global technology company. With its broad portfolio of systems, products, services and digital applications, Voith sets standards in the markets of energy, oil & gas, paper, raw materials and transport & automotive. Founded in 1867, the company today has more than 19,000 employees, sales of € 4.3 billion and locations in over 60 countries worldwide and is thus one of the larger family-owned companies in Europe.

The Group Division Voith Turbo is part of the Voith Group and a specialist for intelligent drive technology, systems as well as tailor-made services. With its innovative and smart products, Voith offers highest efficiency and reliability. Customers from highly diverse industries such as oil and gas,

energy, mining and mechanical engineering, ship technology, rail and commercial vehicles rely on the advanced technologies and digital applications of Voith.

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