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SBB Cargo automates complete domestic freight transport with Voith CargoFlex

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- SBB Cargo orders a further 206 wagon couplers and 16 hybrid couplers for combined freight traffic.
- The order is intended to automate all domestic freight transport starting June 2021.

OLTEN/SALZGITTER. Since May 2019, the Voith CargoFlex has been successfully deployed in day-to-day operations at SBB Cargo, a subsidiary of Swiss Federal Railways (SBB). For this purpose, the 25 locomotives and 100 wagons were equipped with 200 rail-car and 50 hybrid couplers from Voith. Based on the success of the project, the transport company will automate the complete intermodal domestic transport starting June 2021. This corresponds to an expansion from the current six to 11 inland terminals in Switzerland. For that, a further 206 rail-car and 16 hybrid couplers have been ordered from Voith and delivery has already started.

The trouble-free operation and the positive feedback of the coupling personnel and wagon keepers led to the decision to extend the automation to the complete combined transport.

The CargoFlex from Voith is optimally adapted to the high loads in rail freight traffic and, thanks to its light yet robust design, is created for exceptional reliability and a long service life. Furthermore, the coupler is compatible with the UIC530 directive and ensures that no changes to the wagon structure are necessary. The whole system is complemented by a modular concept for upgrades with existing and future modules as required, for example, automatic uncoupling.

Find more information online: www.voith.com/cargoflex

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.



25 locomotives and 100 rail-cars from SBB Cargo have been equipped with Voith CargoFlex (Type 10) since May 2019.

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