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RailCorp awards train maintenance contract

RailCorp has awarded a \$1.4 billion contract to UGL Unipart Rail Services Pty Ltd (a joint venture between UGL Limited and Unipart Rail) to manage heavy maintenance and logistics for 1050 cars in RailCorp's fleet, Chief Executive Rob Mason announced today.

The contract covers a range of maintenance, engineering and logistics services for RailCorp's electric train fleet, excluding the Millennium and Waratah (PPP) fleets, as well as project and logistics work for RailCorp's diesel fleet.

"The contract with UGL Unipart Rail will play a key role in RailCorp's commitment to deliver safe, clean and reliable passenger services, while delivering value for money to the taxpayers of NSW," Mr Mason said.

"The maintenance and improvement of RailCorp rolling stock is critical to ensuring on time running for customers, minimising delays and supporting close to one million passenger journeys a day.

The joint venture between UGL and Unipart Rail presented a compelling option to RailCorp and met key goals in the contract, including value for money, the ability to support existing reform projects and improvements in fleet safety, availability, reliability and customer satisfaction.

The contract replaces the existing Level 3 maintenance and logistics contract, currently known as 'MainTrain', which commenced in 1993. The new contract will run for seven years with the option for RailCorp to consider extensions totalling up to five years.

Specific areas of the contract include:

- Rolling stock heavy maintenance of the electric fleet (excluding the Waratah and Millennium PPP fleets)
- Project and program works for the electric and diesel fleets
- Component purchasing, logistics and inventory management for the electric and diesel fleets
- Rotable component overhaul and management including aspects such as bogies, wheelsets and air equipment, air conditioners, traction and diesel motors for the electric and diesel fleets
- Engineering support

UGL Unipart Rail was one of three entities chosen to enter the selective tender process in mid-2011 following an expression of interest stage. Following a six month transition, the target commencement date of the contract is July 2012.

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