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Adelaide's New Electric Multiple Units

**Adelaide's New Trams** 

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#### **Process**

#### **Buyer Survey**

- 47 Question Survey of all Australian and selected overseas metro passenger rail buyers
- Good advice on requirements definition, tender evaluation, contract structure and approaches, timeframes, resources to deliver (quantum & type), common supplier risks, lessons learnt, general advice (eg use of options)

#### **Process**

#### Request for information (RfI)

- Provided key elements of specification to Rolling Stock manufacturers
- What do you think? What will work best for you?
- Key learnings included 3 not 2 car sets, State funded, product range

- Supply of 66 gauge convertible 25kV railcars (permanently coupled as 22 x 3 rail car sets)
- Compulsory and discretionary options (eg selective door opening, tunnel operation, simulator)
- Maintenance (10 years) with a period, if not all, as shared maintenance facility with existing Diesel fleet maintainer

- Open call vs EoI/RfT
- Functional Specification tendered eg set timetable performance requirements rather than maximum speed, acceleration and braking curves; capacity rather than vehicle dimensions and layouts etc
- Extensive 5-month negotiations to put greater detail to contract and technical specification

- Evaluation Structure
  - 1. Specialist Technical team ———
  - 2. Specialist Commercial team
  - 3. Primary Evaluation Team
  - 4. Local specialist areas
  - 5. Due diligence

Supported by engineering consultancy Interfleet – highly specialised UK resources - (wheel/rail, HVAC, etc)



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Support by KPMG again with specific Australian passenger rollingstock experience



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Signals, maintenance, rolling stock, electrification etc. all provided review and input when required & on preferred bid

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On vehicle and on bidder

Executed 31 March 2011



#### What we bought...

- 22 Permanently coupled 3-car set Electric Multiple Units
- Bombardier Transportation Australia
- Modern design
- Modern standards
- Modern systems



#### Modern Design – VLocity Carshell

- Proven design
- Lessons learned
- Use existing processes
- Less risk



## Modern Design – Made in Australia

- Best use of Australian Sub-suppliers
- Keep our investment local
- Similar views:
  - Safety
  - Quality
  - Customer Service



#### **Modern Design - Crashworthiness**

- Latest European crashworthiness standards
- Most crashworthy passenger vehicle built in Australia
- New standard EN 15227 protects driver
- Disposable elements ensure no damage to vehicle <36 kph</li>

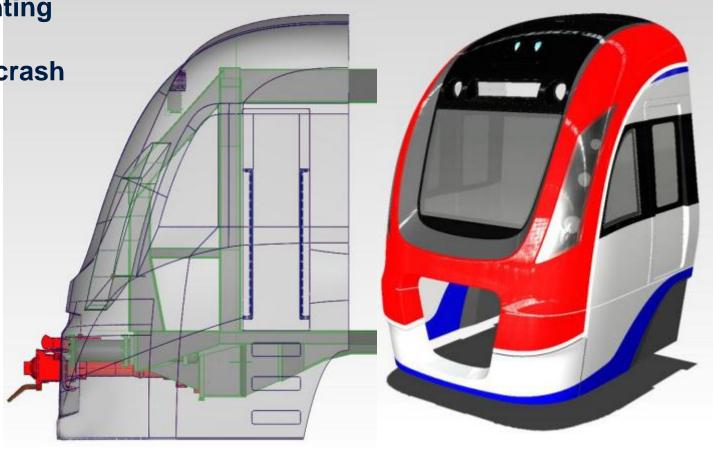


## Modern Design – Nose Cone

Visibility lighting

 Deformable crash tubes

 Recessed windscreen



#### Modern Design – Cab Access

 Platform access for drivers

 Better response to passengers who require assistance

Safer entry from track level



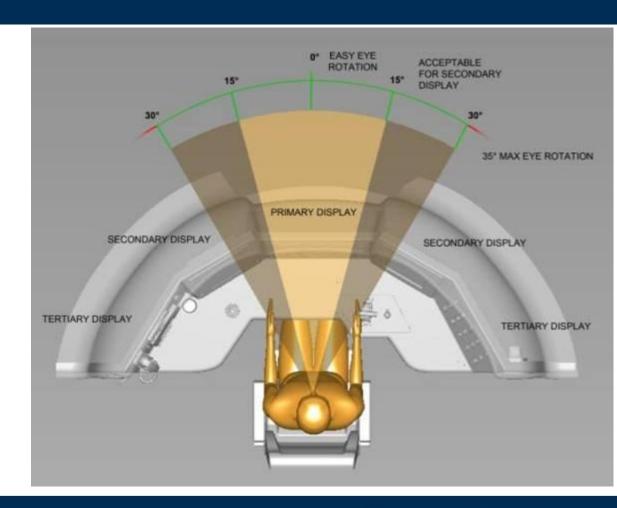
## **Modern Design – Interior Layout**

- Designed for good passenger flow
- Open, modern environment
- Seating design will allow full access for wheelchairs and maximises passenger capacity



#### **Modern Design - Ergonomics**

- Ergonomic working environment for all drivers
- Engaged industry professionals
- Drivers involved with every step of the process



#### **Modern Design – DDA**

- Disability Discrimination Act
- Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport
- Minimised stepping gaps
- Audio and visual announcements
- Two way communication with driver



#### **Modern Standards – Noise**

- Latest Australasian Railway
   Association noise standards
- Quiet operation, minimal impact to customers and the environment
- Acoustic insulation inside walls
- Rubber isolation mounts under floor



#### **Modern Standards – Fire Protection**

- Latest fire protection standards
- BS 6853, SA 2122, AS 3744
- Restricts flames, smoke and toxic chemicals

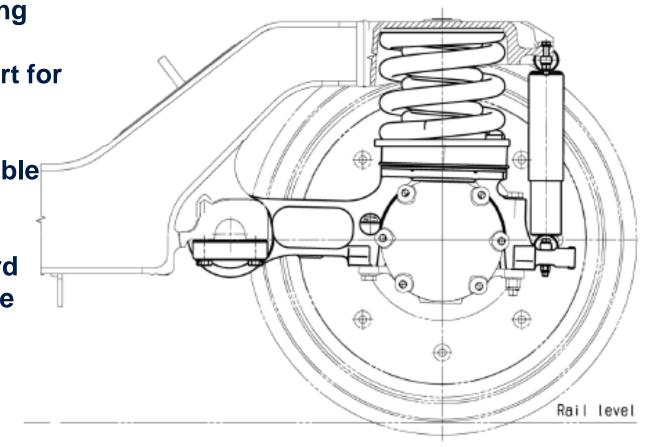
## **Modern Standards – Ride Quality**

Computer modelling

 Best in ride comfort for customers

 Safe and comfortable for crew

 Australian standard tailored to Adelaide requirements



#### **Modern Systems – Braking**

- Three forms of braking:
  - Regenerative (Electrodynamic)
  - Electronically
     Controlled Pneumatic
  - Park brake
- Measures the weight on each railcar
- Full integration with Wheel Slide Protection



## Modern Systems – Wheel Slip/Slide

- Advanced Wheel Slip system in Australia
- Monitors every axle and responds to track conditions immediately
- Maximises use of regenerative brake
- Maximises adhesion



#### **Modern Systems – Current Collection**

- High-reach pantograph
  - 7.2m Maximum wire height
- Over-height protection
- Carbon damage protection



#### **Modern Systems – Air Conditioning**

- Supercharged air conditioning
- 20°C inside when 40°C outside
- Rated for full operation at 53°C
- Dual redundant systems
- Driver's personal air conditioner





#### **Modern Systems – CCTV**

- Full coverage of saloon, doors and signals
- 20 full-colour digital video cameras per train
- Live viewing from cab
- Passenger Emergency Intercom



## Modern Systems – Passenger Info

- Latest Passenger Information System
- Six internal displays
- Six side displays
- Two end displays
- Visual and verbal announcements
- Automated, knowledge of timetable



#### **Modern Systems – Driver's Cab**

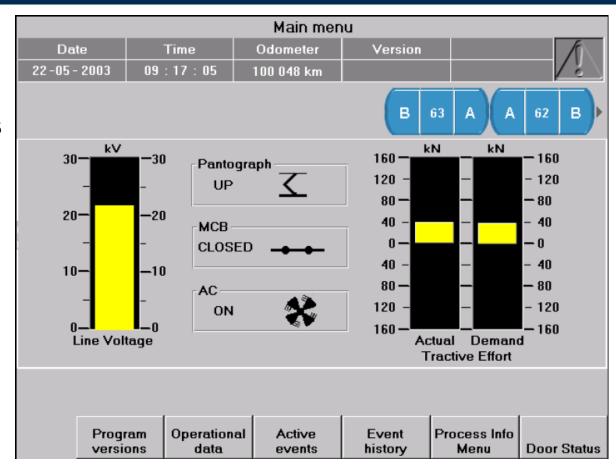
- Designed for ergonomics and function
- Created from scratch
- Fully customised for Adelaide





#### **Modern Systems – Train Information**

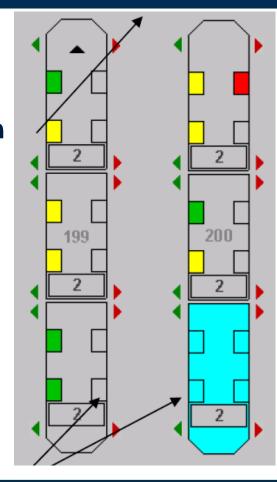
- Fault detection and Information
- Train-critical statuses and measurements





#### **Modern Systems – Doors**

- Electronic plug doors
- Failsafe with traction interlocking
- Stepping gap minimisation
- Selective door opening
- Door based passenger counters







## Challenge – Gauge Conversion

- Easily convertible from broad to standard gauge
- Spanner job
- No change to equipment
- Holistic approach to conversion



#### Where to from here?

- Design commenced after execution and is near finalisation
- Manufacturing began earlier this year
- Delivery first half of 2013 through to 2014
- Testing on Seaford extension (closed track)
- Planned acceptance of first train second half of 2013



# Adelaide's New Trams

Tramcar procurement projects 2004 - 2010



### A Brief History...

- 1878 first trams (horse-drawn) start operating in Adelaide
- 1906 MTT formed to build and operate an electric tramway system
- 1909 first electric tramway opened
- First two years 70 trams procured and 55 miles of overhead wire installed



#### The Glenelg Tramline

- 1873 Steam trains operate a service from Victoria Square to Glenelg
- 1929 Steam service closed down, line re-gauged and electrified over an 8-month period
- 30 'H-Class' trams are built locally and operated on the line for the next 80 years
- 1950's tram services are gradually replaced by trolley buses
- Eventually the majority of the network is removed or covered over. Only the Glenelg tramline remains



#### 1950 - 2004



- 1986 tramline converted to pantograph operation
- Tram Depot relocated from Angas Street to Glengowrie
- Late 1980's H-Class trams undergo first major refurbishment – 10 cars in late 1980's (Regency Park)
- Early 2000's ATI refurbishment replaces
   PC-5 chopper with electronic inverter amongst other 'modernisation' and removes asbestos

#### A New Beginning...

- Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) established in 1992
- Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport (DSAPT) released 2002
- 2003 newly-elected Government announces the revitalisation of the Glenelg tramline and intent to purchase of modern low-floor vehicles
- Tender for new 100% low-floor vehicles made difficult due to small order and a compromised market



Bombardier Transportation awarded a contract to supply nine (9) Flexity
 Classic trams on the back of a large order made by VGF, Frankfurt Germany



### From Germany with Love

- 2004 Manufacture commences in Bombardier's LRV plant in Bautzen, Germany
- Project inspection role outsourced to local Dresden-based firm with intimate knowledge of Bombardier processes
- TransAdelaide Operations and Maintenance personnel visit Bautzen and Frankfurt to observe construction and operational requirements
- Vehicles transported via road to Hamburg, then by boat to Melbourne. Road transport to Adelaide into Victoria Square (first 11), then Adelaide Entertainment Centre





# Flexity Classic - Construction





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# **Flexity Classic - Testing**





# **Flexity Classic - Transport**





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#### **Network Expansion**

- **2005** tramline upgrade works completed (tramline closed for 8 weeks). First two (2) Flexity trams arrive in November
- Shortly before arrival, the Government announces an extension of the tramline from the geographic centre of Adelaide to the 'City West' precinct
- Two (2) additional Flexity trams are placed on order





### **Network Expansion**

- 2007 Services commence along 1.2 km extension to new City West terminus
- Project is received poorly initially, but trams quickly become crowded, with patronage levels well above pre-upgrade levels
- 2008 State Government announces a second 2.8 km extension to the Adelaide Entertainment Centre, and the purchase of four additional trams to service it
- An order is placed for 4 additional Flexity trams, but these will not arrive until 12 months after the extension opening



#### **Alstom Citadis 302**



- International tender call in mid 2008 for new or second hand trams
- This brought about the discovery of 23
   'almost' new Alstom Citadis trams in Madrid
- Madrid had been in the process of installing new light rail infrastructure, but had cut back on initial plans, resulting in surplus rolling stock



#### **Alstom Citadis 302**



### **Madrid Negotiations**

- Negotiations with local transport authority, Mintra in March 2009
- Transacted under Spanish law, Madrid administrative law (with the help of some Spanish solicitors – and no thanks to Heathrow Airport)
- Same Germany-based project inspectors utilised on Flexity procurement to conduct technical & quality inspections
- Trams formally purchased in July 2009.



#### **Transport & Modification**

- TransdevTSL then operators of the Melbourne tram franchise – engaged to manage transport and modification, commissioning and staff training activities
- Sea transportation to Melbourne Docks
- Modifications conducted at Preston Workshops, Melbourne
- Road transport directly into
   Glengowrie Tram Depot first unit
   delivered November 13, 2009



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### **Additional Flexity Trams**

Four (4) additional Flexity trams, ordered in 2008 were scheduled for delivery

late 2010

 100-years flooding of a small river adjacent to the Bautzen plant

- Delayed delivery 2 trams in mid 2011, and remaining 2 trams mid 2012
- Final fleet composition:
- 15 x Bombardier Flexity Classic trams (100 Series)
- **6** x Altsom **Citadis** trams (200 Series)
- 2 x H-Class trams\* (300 Series)



# **Specifications**

	Flexity Classic	Citadis 302
Built	Bautzen, Germany, 2005	Barcelona, Spain, 2007
Length	30m	32m
Width	2.4m	2.4m
Vehicle mass (tare)	40t	39t
Max Speed	70 km/h	70-km/h
No. of Modules	3	5
No. of Bogies	4 (2 powered)	3 (2 powered)
Passenger Capacity (peak)	179	186
No. Seats	70	58
No. Doors per side	3	6 (2 single)
Boarding Device	Built-in	Portable type
% Low Floor	70%	100%

# **Questions?**

