Press Information

Volvo sells 203 city buses to Panama City

Volvo has sold 203 city bus chassis to the urban public transportation system of Panama City. After the delivery, nearly 1,500 Volvo buses will be running in the capital of Panama.

“This sale is the result of a very positive customer experience with Volvo’s vehicles in recent years, which has placed us in a leadership position in the heavy-duty urban bus segment”, declares Fabiano Todeschini, president of Volvo Bus Latin America.

The purchase is a continuation of the delivery made in 2010 of over one thousand Volvo vehicles to Panama.

“We are very proud of winning this deal. It reinforces the quality of our chassis and maintains us in the absolute leadership of the urban and metropolitan bus fleet of the Panamanian capital”, said Euclides Castro, business and strategic projects director for Volvo Bus Latin America.

In 2016 the administration of Panama City took over responsibility for urban transportation in the metropolitan region. The administration has further expanded the public transport operation to also include metropolitan areas. The 203 Volvo buses will run on the highways connecting the capital to its satellite cities. The buses will be delivered by the end of the year.

Volvo’s low-floor chassis model is 13.2 m long and equipped with high technology. In addition to EBS brake systems, they are equipped with ESP, the electronic stability program which significantly reduces the possibility of skidding or tipping over.

The buses will have air conditioning, Wi-Fi and seats with seatbelts. They will also feature the Fleet Manager, Volvo’s fleet management software that enables operators to
control a number of functionalities in the vehicle: fuel consumption and type of driving used by the driver, on-line reports on the vehicle’s position, average speed for the fleet, engine rpms etc.

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