

PRESS RELEASE

50 VDL SB-4000 chassis for regional buses Jerusalem

Tashtit is currently taking delivery of a follow-up order of 50 VDL SB-4000 chassis. These chassis are destined for use as regional buses in the municipality of Jerusalem. 2 city buses and 1 regional bus based on the VDL Bus & Coach SB-4000 chassis were put in service at various transport companies in Israel for a one-year period. The trial period was completed successfully, with this follow-up order for 50 SB-4000 chassis as a result.

VDL SB-4000 chassis

The SB-4000 chassis are fitted with an FPT Euro 6 engine and ZF automatic gearbox. Local bodybuilder Merkavim completes the buses with a Mars regional bus body, thus contributing to local employment. Merkavim is Israel's largest bus body manufacturer and develops, designs and manufactures advanced models for all market segments.

Tashtit – Taavura

With 5,000 employees and more than 40 companies, the Taavura Group is one of the largest companies in Israel. Tashtit is Taavura's Commercial division and imports, distributes and maintains construction equipment, trucks and buses. Tashtit has a leading market position in the Israeli truck sector. The company owes much of this success to its deep understanding of the market needs, its regular informal customer contact, the ready availability of spare parts and the 24-hour repair services. In recent years Tashtit has enriched its product line with new and innovative brands in the heavy commercial vehicle segment, aiming to offer customers an even more complete and comprehensive solution. In total, since 1995, VDL Bus & Coach has delivered around 1,200 chassis and nearly 200 Light Low Entry buses to Israel.

VDL Bus & Coach

The core activities of VDL Bus & Coach consist of the development, manufacturing, sales and after-sales of a wide range of buses, coaches and chassis modules, the conversion or extension of mini & midi buses and the purchase and sales of second-hand buses. Manufacturing takes place in the Netherlands and Belgium. VDL Bus & Coach places high value on quality, safety, durability, the environment, low fuel consumption, comfort and low maintenance costs. Sales of VDL Bus & Coach products take place through a worldwide network consisting of corporate-owned sales offices, importers and agents in more than 30 countries. This makes it possible to offer custom-made transport solutions. For after-sales and maintenance, the client can count on rapid, hassle-free assistance from VDL Bus & Coach employees in any of the many service locations. An extensive distribution network ensures that spare parts and accessories are delivered to the requested destination as quickly as possible. VDL Bus & Coach is one of the largest bus producers in Europe.

VDL Groep

VDL Bus & Coach is part of VDL Groep. VDL Groep, with its head office in Eindhoven (The Netherlands), is an international industrial company focused on the development, production and sales of semi-finished products, buses & coaches and other finished products and the assembly of cars. Since the founding in 1953 this family-owned company has grown to include 90 operating companies, spread over 19 countries with almost 15,000 employees and an annual turnover of 3.2 billion euros in 2016. The strength of VDL Groep lies in the mutual cooperation between the companies.

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