

## **ABB wins \$80 million in orders from Stadler Rail**

### *Advanced traction technologies strengthen ABB's strategic rail partnership*

Zurich, Switzerland, Jan. 29, 2009 – ABB, the leading power and automation technology group, has won orders worth around \$80 million from Swiss train manufacturer Stadler Rail for traction and onboard power equipment.

ABB's scope of supply includes specially designed traction converters with integrated onboard power supplies as well as traction transformers and battery chargers. Compact, lightweight ABB traction products convert electricity from overhead power lines to the voltage levels needed by a train's motors and a host of auxiliary power systems (lighting, heating, ventilation, automatic doors, etc.).

The equipment will be installed in 50 double-decker trains serving the busy commuter network in and around the Swiss city of Zurich. ABB will also provide specialized electrical equipment for Stadler Rail's trains on routes between Switzerland and Italy.

"This contract highlights ABB's special capabilities as a supplier of leading-edge technology to the rail industry," said Tom Sjoekvist, head of ABB's Automation Products division.

The orders, booked in the fourth quarter of 2008 and the first quarter of 2009, continue a highly productive strategic alliance between ABB and Stadler Rail begun in 2002. In 2008, ABB won orders from Stadler Rail to supply power electronics traction equipment for trains used in Finland, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Poland and Switzerland.

ABB has a long history of providing reliable, innovative and energy-efficient technologies to the rail sector, manufacturing and servicing all the systems, subsystems and components used in modern urban, conventional and high-speed rail systems. This includes rail infrastructure and components for rolling stock, as well as signaling and telecommunication systems.

Increasing concern for the environment, rapid urbanization, the need to move more people and freight faster, especially in emerging economies, as well as volatile fuel prices make rail one of several high-potential growth industries ABB has specifically targeted for its power and automation technologies.

ABB ([www.abb.com](http://www.abb.com)) is a leader in power and automation technologies that enable utility and industry customers to improve their performance while lowering environmental impact. The ABB Group of companies operates in around 100 countries and employs more than 120,000 people.

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