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**Hitachi Rail Italy wins a new contract from Trenitalia worth 190 million euro**

**for regional trains**

Naples/Tokyo, 9 November, 2015 - Hitachi Rail Italy S.p.A.(HRI) today announced that it had won an order worth 190 million euro from Trenitalia to supply new Vivalto regional trains, for Trenitalia’s commuter service.

Trenitalia has exercised an option in the contract signed in March 2010. HRI will supply Trenitalia with an additional 136 rail vehicles consisting of 112 intermediate double-decker coaches and 24 driving cars, all of which will be used for providing seats in standard class. The cars will operate across the entire Italian regional network of over 16.000 km. Following the delivery of these optional units, HRI will have provided a total of 706 carriages, consisting of 575 intermediate double-decker cars and 131 driving cars to Trenitalia.

The vehicles are constructed using a steel frame. The double-decker coaches are designed to offer superior passenger comfort by maximizing the use of available space.

The trains will be manufactured in the HRI plants of Pistoia and Reggio Calabria, while components and electronics will be manufactured in the HRI plant of Naples.

Maurizio Manfellotto, CEO of Hitachi Rail Italy said "By exercising the option for these additional vehicles, Trenitalia has confirmed its confidence in the quality of Vivalto trains, as a proven and up-to date product. Our order backlog is growing and we will continue to offer our leading-edge technology to Trenitalia. "

**About Hitachi Rail Italy S.p.A**

Hitachi Rail Italy is specialized in the manufacture of technologically advanced rolling stock. Created by the evolution of AnsaldoBreda, the most important Italian brand with more than 160 years of history in the rail and metro sector, Hitachi Rail Italy has a wide range of products, ranging from high speed to driverless metros.

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**About Trenitalia**

Wholly owned by Ferrovie dello Stato Spa, Trenitalia is the company which handles passenger transport and logistics. Founded to meet the needs of the railway industry, Trenitalia focuses on seizing the challenges of the market by placing customers at the centre of its activities. It works to make its industrial organization increasingly modern and efficient, where productivity, earnings and high quality services are combined with high levels of social and territorial responsibility and environmental sustainability.

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