19 Alexander Dennis Enviro400EV to upgrade Transdev Blazefield's iconic route 36

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Ladbert, United Kingdom – 24th August 2023: (TEX: NPI, OTC: NPVRF, TEX: NPI.DB) **Alexander Dennis, a subsidiary of NFI Group Inc., one of the world's leading independent global bus manufacturers, today announced that Transdev Blazefield has ordered 19 next-generation Alexander Dennis battery-electric double deck buses for The Harrogate Bus Company.**

The new Alexander Dennis Enviro400EV are part-funded by the UK Government's Zero Emission Bus Regional Areas (ZEBRA) scheme following a successful bid by Transdev's partner, North Yorkshire Council.

They will enter service in spring 2024 on route 36, connecting Ripon, Harrogate and Leeds. The new Enviro400EV will continue this service's tradition of pioneering innovation with their zero-emission credentials and a bespoke specification designed to further enhance customers' journey experience.

Transdev Blazefield Managing Director Henri Rafaud said: "We're delighted to launch our depot and bus electrification project. It is an important evolution in the quality and sustainability of our network in and around our home town of Harrogate. The project has been made possible thanks to the significant support from the Government's ZEBRA fund.

"Higher power output delivered by today's new generation batteries means each bus can go further between charge-ups – and to make sure we provide a reliable service, our buses will also have top-up charges at Harrogate Bus Station, as they will travel further in a day than the maximum range achievable by fully electric buses."

The Enviro400EV for Transdev Blazefield are fitted with roof-mounted charging rails that allow their future-proof 470kWh Alexander Dennis battery system to be topped up from pantographs installed at the bus station. The buses will also benefit from the power reserves of the heavy-duty version of the Voith Electrical Drive System when running at higher speeds on the interurban stretches of the route.

Alexander Dennis National Sales Manager Steve Cannell said: "We're thrilled to be a part of Transdev Blazefield's electrification project with this order for our next-generation Enviro400EV zero-emission double decker. Yorkshire's iconic route 36 will once again be setting standards with a stunning new fleet of electric buses.

"Transdev will benefit from whole-vehicle AD24 aftermarket support including spare parts, mobile technicians and our Training Academy. We're further enhancing this with the introduction of fully digital manuals which will transform the way Transdev's team members will be able to access expert information on their new fleet."

Images

High-resolution images are available for download from the Alexander Dennis website at alexander-dennis.com/news

About NFI

Leveraging 400 years of combined experience, NFI is leading the electrification of mass mobility around the world. With zero-emission buses and coaches, infrastructure, and technology, NFI meets today's urban demands for scalable smart mobility solutions. Together, NFI is enabling more livable cities through connected, clean, and sustainable transportation.

With 7,700 team members in ten countries, NFI is a leading global bus manufacturer of mass mobility solutions under the brands New Flyer® (heavy-duty transit buses), MCI® (motor coaches), Alexander Dennis (single and double-deck buses), Plaxton (motor coaches), ARBOCS® (low-floor cutaway and medium-duty buses), and NFI Parts™. NFI currently offers the widest range of sustainable drive systems available, including zero-emission electric (trolley, battery, and fuel cell), natural gas, electric hybrid, and clean diesel. In total, NFI supports its installed base of over 200,000 buses and coaches around the world. NFI's common shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") under the symbol NFI and its convertible unsecured debentures trade on the TEX under the symbol NFI.DB. News and information is available at alexander-dennis.com, nfigroup.com, nfiparts.com, alexander-dennis.com, alexander-dennis.com, and nfigroup.com.

About Alexander Dennis

Alexander Dennis is a global leader in the design and manufacture of double-deck buses and is also the UK's largest bus and coach manufacturer. Alexander Dennis offers single and double deck vehicles under the brands of Alexander Dennis and Plaxton, and has over 31,000 vehicles in service in the UK, Ireland, Europe, Hong Kong, Singapore, New Zealand, Mexico, Canada and the United States. Further information is available at alexander-dennis.com

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