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## INDUSTRY

In preparation for the Post-2012 International Climate Change Agreement, the **International Association of Public Transport (UITP)** has joined, as a founding member, the Sustainable, Low Carbon Transport Partnership which was launched in Bangkok in September.

De Lijn, for the Commercial Campaign, and Metro de Madrid, for the Printed Campaign, were the successful winners of the 4th edition of the **UITP Marketing Awards**. The vote was announced at the closing ceremony of the 5th International Marketing Conference, which was held in Lisbon on 7-9 October. With a total of more than 4,800 online votes, the special Public's Choice awards went to Flemish De Lijn for Best Commercial Film and to Singapore's SMRT for Best Printed Campaign. The ten finalists were selected amongst more than 60 campaigns originating from Asia, Australia, Latin America, North America and Europe.

**Siemens** has received an order from San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) for the delivery of 57 S70 type light rail vehicles which will be built in the Siemens plant in Sacramento, USA with deliveries to begin in 2011. MTS is currently operating 134 Siemens-built LRVs in San Diego.

**Bombardier Transportation** unveiled its first Itino diesel railcar equipped with C.L.E.A.N. diesel technology on 7 October, conducting a series of demonstration runs with the prototype train at Jönköping station in Sweden. The first production trains equipped with the Catalyst based Low Emission Application diesel engines are expected to enter service in both Sweden and Germany this year. Bombardier is currently assembling four Itino trains with C.L.E.A.N. diesel technology for Fahma-Fahrzeug Management in Germany with the first entering service in the Odenwald region near Frankfurt-am-Main in Germany late in October. A further 13 trains have been ordered by various operators in Sweden, with the first due to be delivered this month.

A joint venture of Texmaco, India and **United Group Rail**, Australia is collaborating with a Japanese consortium of Kawasaki, Itochu and Toshiba, in a bid to manufacture metro cars for Kolkata in India.

Driveline and chassis technology company **ZF Australia Pacific** has launched its ZF EcoLife transmission, with Volvo Bus Australia as the first company to take delivery.