

Nova Bus is pleased to announce that it has been awarded an order by Halifax Regional Municipality's Metro Transit service for 15 Nova LFS Artic articulated vehicles valued at \$10.4 million, to be delivered in mid-2010, plus options on a further 30 buses over two years.

With over 300 vehicles and a total annual ridership of more than 18.5 million, Halifax's Metro Transit is the largest transit authority in Atlantic Canada. Their dual focus on continuously enhancing service levels and greening their fleet means most of the buses will be set to providing expanded service to the Halifax region. Upgrading to articulated vehicles will also translate into increased capacity on several routes.

Riders will appreciate Nova LFS Artic features such as air conditioning, large windows for maximum light, as well as wide doors and aisles for easy access and passenger flow. The vehicles are also designed for performance, fuel efficiency and productivity; most importantly, they will be powered by the latest generation of clean diesel engine systems, to comply with the EPA's strict 2010 emissions standards.

#### *About Nova Bus*

Nova Bus develops products adapted to the specific needs of its clients and public transit users. The manufacturing company relies on a team of experts whose main objective is to satisfy the demands of its partners with regard to the environment, safety, quality, and performance. Today, Nova Bus employs more than 1,000 people and pursues its growth in North America.

Nova Bus is part of the Volvo Bus Corporation, the world's second largest motorcoach and transit bus manufacturing group. Nova Bus is a leading North American provider of sustainable transit solutions, including environmentally-friendly buses, high-capacity vehicles and integrated intelligent transportation systems. The company operates three plants: two in Canada and one in the United States.

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