

Bombardier wins \$255M US people mover deal

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Bombardier Transportation is supplying 18 Innovia automated people mover vehicles to Sky Harbor International Airport in Phoenix, Ariz. (Bombardier)

Bombardier Transportation has signed a contract for a new North American automated people mover system, the company said Tuesday.

The \$255 million US deal involves supplying and maintaining 18 driverless Innovia vehicles for the 3.5 kilometre transit system at Sky Harbor International Airport in Phoenix, Ariz.

Bombardier Transportation's plant in Pittsburgh will design and build the vehicles.

The contract includes \$186 million to design and build the system's electrical and mechanical equipment, and the construction and equipping of a maintenance facility, and \$69 million for operation and maintenance services for 10 years.

Completion of the first stage of the system — linking the airport light rail stop, parking and the terminal that handles 80 per cent of the airport's traffic — is scheduled for 2012.

A second stage, continuing through the airport to a car rental location, is set for 2020, the airport said.

Phoenix is the 23rd airport to select Bombardier automated people mover technology.

Bombardier Class B stock rose two cents to \$3.71 in TSX trading.

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[So u understand](#) wrote: Posted 2009/07/14

at 5:53 PM ET Alberta1323 wrote:

"There's a 3-station 1.5 km automated people mover that's been in service at Toronto for over 3 years, that links the 2 terminals and the off-Site parking. Automated trains leave each station about every 2.5 minutes and the system runs 24-hours a day."

Hahaha What you said is true sort of... First off I work at the airport so I ride that "thing" all the time. If you think it even comes close to comparing to the Bombardier model you are so far off it isn't even funny. The European company that built it got the contract because they were the cheapest and trust me you can tell. That "thing" feels like an OLD wooden roller coaster moving at a slow speed. The thing is the most bumpy ride you have ever been on. As for it coming every 2.5 mins ya that would be nice however it is always broken and on single train service which means more like a 5 min wait if not more. And it being open for 3 years... yes it was opened 3 years ago but it hasn't been open for that whole time. The thing breaks down pretty much weekly and as of the past few months it was taken out of service completely. Finally just re-opening in the last 2 weeks. So what did we learn from this? BUY CANADIAN!!

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Alberta1323 wrote: Posted 2009/07/14

at 2:54 PM ET "The PHX APM will link the airport to the Phoenix light rail extension. " The Toronto light rail line (Eglinton LRT) and the express train (Union-Pearson Rail Link) will go directly into Pearson Terminal 1. The express train platforms are already partially constructed adjacent to the people mover.

"The rollercoaster at YYZ cannot be extended without a rebuild"

Yes it can, it was designed to be easily extended to a second Terminal 1 station, if and when Terminal 1 is expanded. However this is the ultimate capacity, and a rebuild would be required for anything further. But it was never intended to serve more than just the terminals; there is space reserved for the second system, if required. The existing train is a major improvement over the old buses. Hopefully the current maintenance will eliminate some of the vibration.

"and can only handle one car on each side"

There is a 6-car train on each side; 12-cars in total.

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gundang1 wrote: Posted 2009/07/14

at 2:17 PM ET great news..hope it saves jobs....my question is,,here we have a great Canadian company that makes state of the art people movers...yet the our own government has not saw the benefit of greener travel and giving them a huge contract to build a coast to coast people mover....trains have to be brought to the 21st century or they will fade away....that would create a ton of real jobs...

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[dowlingm](#) wrote: Posted 2009/07/14

at 1:51 PM ET The PHX APM will link the airport to the Phoenix light rail extension.

The rollercoaster at YYZ cannot be extended without a rebuild (and has just been out of service for a three month overhaul) and can only handle one car on each side - GTAA management have a plan to put an Airtrain/Skylink self-propelled people mover in down the road.

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[listen to me](#) wrote: Posted 2009/07/14

at 12:46 PM ET It won't be to long before they look for government money to keep them afloat, again, after they pay out all the big bonuses to the execs for winning the contract. They did it before and they will get it again.

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