



Press release

Nexans secures 9.5 million euros contract to supply FLAMEX® cables for China Railway High-speed trains

Over 10,000km FLAMEX® cables to be supplied for 79 train-sets

Paris, March 2nd, 2010 – Nexans, the worldwide leader in the cable industry, has been awarded for a 9.5 million euros contract to supply China's state-owned vehicle producer, CNR Corporation Limited (CNR), with the cables it requires to develop the China Railway High-speed (CRH) trains that will enter in service between Beijing and Shanghai in 2011.

Cable provided are manufactured at Nexans China's production facilities in Waigaoqiao and Baoshan, both located in Shanghai. The first batch of cables will be delivered in March 2010 and the last in March 2011.

This contract is in addition to the first award from CNR on control, power and data cables that Nexans got in July 2009 for a value of 5.0 million euros on the same programme.

This is one of the biggest spot orders for Nexans Rolling Stock business supplying a total number of over 10,000 km power control and data cables for 79 train-sets. The cables will be delivered to the CNR subsidiaries, the Tangshan Railway Vehicle Company (TRC) and the Changchun Railway Vehicle Company (CRC), which are responsible for developing and manufacturing the high-speed trains.

The new CRH trains will be composed of 16 cars, for a design speed of 350km/h, and will be able to carry up to 1,026 passengers.

The cables supplied to this CRH project come from Nexans' FLAMEX® range, which have been specially designed to adhere to the various international standards and safety needs of the rolling stock industry. For instance, the cables selected are environmentally friendly and halogen free – this helps ensure the cable resists the propagation of fire and produces low smoke emissions in the event that a fire occurs.

Stéphane Mortelette, Nexans Global Segment Manager for Rolling Stock says, "Nexans cables were selected by CNR because we demonstrated high levels of quality, technical services, an ability to meet tight deadlines, thanks to our local factories in

China. With this new contract, Nexans confirms its leading position for rolling stock cables globally and on the Chinese booming high speed train market in particular.”

About Nexans

With energy as the basis of its development, Nexans, the worldwide leader in the cable industry, offers an extensive range of cables and cabling systems. The Group is a global player in the infrastructure, industry, building and Local Area Network markets. Nexans addresses a series of market segments: from energy, transport and telecom networks to shipbuilding, oil and gas, nuclear power, automotives, electronics, aeronautics, material handling and automation. With an industrial presence in 39 countries and commercial activities worldwide, Nexans employs 22,700 people and had sales in 2009 of 5 billion Euros. Nexans is listed on NYSE Euronext Paris, compartment A. For more information, please consult www.nexans.com

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