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Akiem Invests in 10 New Vectron Dual Mode Locomotives to Boost Cross-Border Rail Operations

Saint-Ouen (France), October 2, 2025 – Akiem, the European leader in locomotive and passenger train leasing, confirms the exercise of an option for 10 additional Vectron Dual Mode (VDM) locomotives from Siemens Mobility, after signing a framework contract for 50 VDMs in June 2025, thus confirming its commitment to offering innovative and sustainable traction solutions to European rail operators.

This investment is part of Akiem's ongoing strategy to modernize its fleet and support the modal shift towards greener, more efficient rail transport. The Vectron Dual Mode locomotives combine the flexibility of dual-mode operation with the reliability and performance that Akiem's customers expect. With seamless transition between electric and autonomous traction, the VDMs are intended to replace diesel locomotives operated in Europe and offer lower operating costs, a reduced carbon footprint and an improved level of reliability.

This order includes variants approved to serve the German and Austrian markets and connect them with Central Europe to the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria.

Fabien Rochefort, CEO of Akiem, commented: *"Our Dual Mode offering has been a real success with our customers since last June. This confirms our strategy and the quality of our partnership with Siemens. With this new option exercise, we intend to expand our offering and build the services our customers need."*

The Vectron Dual Mode stands out for its modular architecture, its power (up to 2.4 MW electric / 2 MW diesel), and its advanced safety systems, including ERTMS. Its versatility, its ability to operate without load breaks and its multi-country compatibility make it a benchmark for modern rail traction, both for freight and passengers, and a real lever for controlling operating costs.

About Akiem

Akiem is one of the leading European providers of services to rail operators, manufacturers, and local authorities. The company offers a fleet of over 750 locomotives and 42 passenger vehicles, as well as solutions covering the entire rolling stock value chain. Akiem has more than 100 customers and operates in 22 European countries. The majority of its 450 employees are based in France, Germany, Poland, Sweden, Italy, Hungary, and the United Kingdom.

Akiem has a complete industrial ecosystem, certified ECM (Entity in Charge of Maintenance), which relies on a pan-European network of workshops and significant inventories of spare parts for the maintenance of the rolling stock supplied to its customers.

Akiem is owned by La Caisse (formerly CDPQ, Caisse de Dépôt et Placement du Québec), a global investment group strongly committed to the development of low-carbon infrastructure.

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