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Progress Rail Unveils First EMD F125 Passenger Locomotive

ALBERTVILLE, AL – Progress Rail, a Caterpillar company, has released its first EMD F125 passenger locomotive, produced at its Muncie, Indiana facility, to the Southern California Regional Rail Authority's (SCRRA) commuter rail line, Metrolink. The new diesel-electric locomotive, which meets U.S. EPA Tier 4 standards, is the first of 40 125 mph passenger locomotives to be sold to Metrolink and delivered in the world.

"We are delighted to be in a leadership position with Metrolink in paving a path for lower emissions in the greater Los Angeles area," stated Progress Rail Chief Executive Officer Billy Ainsworth. "Being part of the Caterpillar family has enabled access to technologies from nearly a century of engine design, and our hard working teams in LaGrange and Muncie have vastly broadened our knowledge base for new locomotive production." Ainsworth also praised the various funding agencies and SCRRA's board of directors for their vision and commitment.

Metrolink became the first commuter rail agency to purchase the new locomotives in May of 2013. The EMD F125 also meets the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act (PRIIA) Section 305 specifications. Powered by a Cat® C175 engine rated at 4,700 horsepower, the locomotives will substantially replace the aging Metrolink fleet, improving reliability, while reducing particulate matter and nitrogen oxide emissions by up to 85 percent.

Funding has been provided through the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) Carl Moyer Program and the State of California's Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP). The remaining budget will be accounted for through a combination of Metrolink member agency contributions and other subsidies.

About Progress Rail Services:

Progress Rail Services Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Caterpillar Inc., is a leading provider of locomotive, railcar, engineering and track products and services for the global railroad industry. Since acquiring Electro-Motive Diesel, Inc., (EMD), Progress Rail and EMD work as one team to design, manufacture and sell locomotives, engines and aftermarket parts for customers around the world. Headquartered in Albertville, Alabama, we serve our customers through a global network of 200 locations, with more than 8,000 employees. For more information, visit www.progressrail.com and follow @Progress_Rail on Twitter and YouTube.

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