

News from Hima-Sella

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Hima-Sella wins major Metronet Rail SSL contract for Tracklink Selective Door Opening

Hima-Sella has just been awarded a multi-million pound contract by Metronet Rail SSL (now owned by London Underground) to provide its unique and proven Tracklink III, a selective door opening (SDO) and correct side door enabling system (CSDE).

Tracklink III is Hima-Sella's latest SDO and CSDE, designed for rail stations where there are longer trains and variable platform lengths. This latest Metronet Rail SSL contract is for equipment to be installed on 191 new trains being built by Bombardier and for trackside beacons to be fitted on Metronet's Circle, District, Metropolitan and City lines.

Hima-Sella begins design work on the project with immediate effect.

Tracklink III equipment will be installed on 2 new trains during September 2009 and then be tested at Old Dalby. After satisfactory testing is completed, there will be further tests in London before the five year roll out programme which ends in January 2015.

Iain Wilkinson, business development manager at Hima-Sella explains, "Tracklink III is essentially a 'fit and forget' system - it's a passive system which does not require power or on-track installation so it is cost-effective, easy to use and virtually maintenance free".

Hima-Sella won this latest rail contract in a competitive tender. Hima-Sella has previously supplied safety run back protection systems to Metronet Rail SSL, with whom it has worked since the early 1990's. ENDS

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About Hima-Sella

Hima-Sella is a market leader in engineered solutions for safety, control and automation applications in the oil & gas, petrochemical, rail, steel and power industries. Services include completely integrated systems, panel building, sub assemblies, product development and on-site support. The company, based in Stockport, has ninety-five staff and a turnover of £10m.

Established as Sella Controls in 1974, the company was appointed agent for HIMA Paul Hildebrandt for safety system products in 1983, becoming Hima-Sella in 1994 and in 2001 received the first ever CASS certificate awarded for conformance assessment to IEC 61508. Hima Sella's quality management system has been approved to BS EN ISO 9001: 2000 since 1989.

Hima-Sella is an active member of the following:

First Point Assessment Limited (FPAL), the industry database from which the oil and gas industries select their contractors and suppliers.

Link-Up - the standard database from which rail industries select contractors and suppliers.

Joint Qualification Scheme (JQS), the prerequisite for suppliers to the oil industry in Norway and Denmark, used by the top 20 oil companies in those countries.

Hima-Sella is also a member of several associations and industry-based councils, including the Energy Industries Council, the Institute of Measurement & Control and the Railway Industries Association, keeping the company up to date with the changes in legislation and standards.

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