

News Release

SBS Transit and ST Kinetics Collaborate to Strengthen Rail Engineering and Maintenance Capabilities

Singapore, 26 April 2017 – SBS Transit Ltd and ST Kinetics, have entered into a strategic partnership by way of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to collaborate and strengthen maintenance and engineering capabilities for rail operations in Singapore.

The signing of the MOU today by Mr Gan Juay Kiat, CEO, SBS Transit and Dr Lee Shiang Long, President, ST Kinetics, marks the start of a strategic partnership between the two companies where SBS Transit will leverage on ST Kinetic's strong capabilities in testing and repair, maintenance, engineering and obsolescence management to support SBS Transit's rail operations, while ST Kinetics will be presented with the opportunity to enter the rail maintenance industry and further develop its technical capabilities.

The partners will collaborate on the use of automation and robotics solutions to improve operational productivity and efficiency. The MOU also covers data analytics among others to further improve the resilience of SCADA (supervisory control and data acquisition) infrastructure.

Mr Gan said: "This collaboration will help us deepen our capabilities in rail repairs and maintenance. We are always looking at new and innovative ways to further improve rail reliability and provide our commuters with a robust system."

"This partnership with SBS Transit marks ST Kinetics' entry into rail MRO and engineering. While we are new to the rail segment, we are an experienced and established player, having built up a strong engineering base in design and development of various platforms, through-life management and systems integration for 50 years," said Dr Lee, President of ST Kinetics. "we look forward to working with SBS Transit, a leading rail operator in Singapore, and leveraging collective capabilities to contribute to Singapore's fast growing rail network."

Following from the MOU, the first agreement was signed today in which ST Kinetics will provide expertise and services to refurbish electronics components that are used in SBS Transit's trains on the North East Line as well as the Light Rail Vehicles on the Sengkang-Punggol Light Rail Transit systems.

This electronics refurbishment contract was signed by Mr Simon Lane, Executive Vice President, Rail, SBS Transit and Mr Tan Peng Kuan, Executive Vice President, Singapore Business, ST Kinetics.

SBS Transit is a leading bus and rail operator in Singapore. Every day, we carry about three million passengers on our extensive bus and rail network. We aim to provide world-class public transport which is safe, comfortable, affordable, reliable and friendly. Today, we operate more than 200 bus services with a fleet of about 3,000 buses. We also operate the North East MRT Line, which is the world's first fully automated, underground heavy rail system that connects Punggol to HarbourFront, as well as the Light Rail System in the Punggol and Sengkang new towns. Besides this, we are the operator of the Downtown Line (DTL), which is Singapore's newest MRT Line. Phase 3, which is the last stage, of the DTL is scheduled to be opened for passenger service in the second half of 2017. When fully completed, the 42-km line with 34 stations will be the longest underground line in Singapore.

SBS Transit is a member of the ComfortDelGro Group, which is one of the world's largest land transport companies. As part of an international, multi-modal transport company, we have been able to leverage on the Group's extensive resources, expertise and knowledge to bring about higher levels of service and comfort to our Singapore commuters.

ST Kinetics (Singapore Technologies Kinetics Ltd) is the land systems arm of ST Engineering, an integrated engineering group. With 50 years of engineering expertise behind us, we are driven by a passion for innovation and work with partners and customers to deliver customised land systems and security solutions that meet the stringent operational requirements of defence, homeland security and commercial customers. Headquartered in Singapore, ST Kinetics employs a skilled workforce of some 5,000 people, 70% of whom are in engineering and technical roles, to support customers in over 40 countries. We are the world leader in niche products such as 40mm munitions. In FY2016, ST Kinetics recorded revenue of S\$1.4b. Please visit www.stengg.com for more information.

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