

PRESS RELEASE

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Bombardier has chosen Carbone Lorraine to supply rail equipment

Ferraz Shawmut, a Carbone Lorraine subsidiary specialising in the manufacture and sale of industrial fuses, has signed a major design and supply contract with Bombardier Transport, the world leader in rail transportation equipment and services.

Under the contract worth €8 million, which runs until 2013, Ferraz Shawmut will supply 1,900 current collectors and 3,200 current return devices for the RATP's (Paris regional transport authority) new metro units.

Ferraz Shawmut clinched this contract with Bombardier because its products offer first-class value, they are straightforward and they provide excellent levels of reliability.

This contract has made Ferraz Shawmut Bombardier's sole supplier.

This cooperation illustrates how the Group is achieving one of its strategic priorities, namely to deliver innovative products, processes and services to its customers.

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Reminder:

Carbone Lorraine is an industrial group specialising in electrical components (brushes for electric motors, magnets and industrial fuses) and advanced materials and technologies. Well-established world-wide, the Group holds world-class positions in all its main markets :

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