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Deutsche Bahn and Siemens: Regular operation of ICE 4 as of December 2017 not at risk

Not a safety issue • Solution for impaired comfort already found • DB board member Huber: Planned start of regular service of ICE 4 in December 2017 is ensured

(Berlin, June 21, 2017) Deutsche Bahn AG (DB) rejects media reports claiming that vibrations encountered in individual cars during test operations could threaten certification of the ICE 4.

During the course of the months-long test operations of the ICE 4, a high-frequency vibration was detected in both test trains with increasing operating mileage. This is not a safety issue.

A short-term solution for this impairment to comfort has already been found. At the same time, producer Siemens and DB are working to further optimize the solution.

“This is exactly the reason why DB is conducting a 12-month introductory phase of the ICE 4, the longest test in its history: to put the train through exhaustive tests and eliminate possible “teething troubles” before regular service begins,” said Berthold Huber, member of the DB Management Board for Passenger Transport. “The planned start of regular service of the ICE 4 in December 2017 is ensured.”

“Together with DB, we deliberately decided to subject the ICE 4 pre-series trains to extensive tests at testing facilities and in real operations. The information derived from these tests flows directly into the train’s series production. The project is right on schedule,” said Jochen Eickholt, CEO of Siemens Mobility Division.

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