Siemens Wins Contract to Power Stage 2 of the Gold Coast Light Rail

As part of Gold Coast Light Rail Stage 2, Siemens has been awarded a contract to support the project with four Traction Power Substations. The win means Siemens will play an integral role in the construction of the 7.3km project which, when complete, will connect the existing light rail system at Gold Coast University Hospital to heavy rail at Helensvale station.

Delivery of Stage 2 will not only enhance Stage 1 of the system but will also improve connectivity between Brisbane and the Gold Coast, providing significant economic benefits. GoldlinQ is delivering Stage 2 of Gold Coast Light Rail which is due for completion in time for the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games. Siemens’ design work on the Traction Power Substations is underway and the main works of the project are due for completion in 2017.

Speaking on the win, Max Eichhorn, Executive General Manager of Siemens Mobility in Australia and New Zealand said, “Congratulations to the team and all those involved. With the biggest team of rail engineers in Australia, Siemens has been an integral partner to several key pieces of infrastructure and transportation in the region. We look forward to bringing in our global and local expertise in delivering the Traction Power Substations for this significant light rail infrastructure.”

This win increases Siemens’ heavy and light rail electrification footprint in the region that includes work in both Auckland and Adelaide metropolitan rail and other light rail electrification projects across Australia and New Zealand.

This project is critical to meeting increasing demand for public transport before and during the 2018 Commonwealth Games in the Gold Coast. An estimated 6,600 athletes and team officials, 50,000 workers and volunteers, and 1.5 million ticketed spectators are expected to attend events.
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