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Conclusion of the Formal Contract to Supply Pneumatic Door Systems for U.K. Train Cars under the IEP

Nabtesco Corporation (headquarters: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo; President & CEO: Kazuaki Kotani) hereby announces that it has concluded the formal contract with Hitachi Rail Europe Ltd. to supply pneumatic door systems for 369 train cars running on the Great Western Main Line based on the Intercity Express Programme (IEP) implemented in the United Kingdom. Moreover, Nabtesco will make efforts to receive additional contracts for the systems regarding 227 new cars on the East Coast Main Line and 270 old ones that run on the same line, for which the replacement of equipment is planned under the Programme.

Nabtesco has already built a track record for its pneumatic door systems for high-speed train cars both in Japan and in the United Kingdom, and the systems are chosen for the IEP in recognition of their high reliability. The systems are also equipped with controllers to control the movement of each door electronically and will conform to the Safety Integrity Level 2 (SIL2), a safety standard implemented in Europe.

Thanks to the order, the number of Nabtesco door products used in railroad cars in the United Kingdom will exceed 4,000. Taking this opportunity, Nabtesco will enhance the stability of its business in the country on a long-term basis, including the after-market business, and will further expand the business across the entire European market.

Nabtesco will continuously contribute to the success of the IEP by providing products of high safety and security as a supplier of important systems for railroad cars.