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UGL awarded \$131m contract for Tangara technology upgrade

Sydney: UGL Limited (ASX: UGL) today announced the award of a \$131 million contract by Transport for NSW to UGL Unipart Rail Services Pty Limited (UGL Unipart Rail) for the technology upgrade of the Tangara passenger rail fleet.

UGL Unipart Rail is a joint venture between UGL and Unipart Rail to deliver the Sydney Trains Level 3 maintenance contract, providing heavy maintenance and supply chain services to 1,050 passenger cars for Sydney's metropolitan fleet. UGL holds a 70 per cent shareholding in the joint venture company.

In support of Transport for NSW's drive for a more efficient and effective transport system, UGL Unipart Rail will carry out a technology upgrade of the 446 Tangara passenger railcars. These cars were designed and constructed by UGL on the Broadmeadow site and are currently maintained by UGL Unipart Rail. The technology upgrade extends the life of the existing Tangara fleet and aligns the railcars with the latest generation of trains on the Sydney network. The scope of works includes management, design, supply, integration, testing and commissioning of the upgrade to train operation systems, door systems and other customer experience enhancements.

UGL Unipart Rail will partner with Mitsubishi Electric who will be responsible for the train operation system and associated design and other technology or traction related systems.

UGL has commenced mobilisation with an expected completion date of July 2018.

UGL's CEO Ross Taylor said: "UGL has worked closely with the NSW government for over 20 years to enhance Sydney's passenger network. We have undertaken strategic technology projects such the Digital Train Radio Systems, completed a refurbishment of the Tangara fleet in 2014 under budget and ahead of schedule and have an ongoing role in the maintenance of rolling stock.

"This contract further demonstrates the capability of UGL Unipart Rail to add value to the Sydney fleet and we look forward to working with our customer to achieve their goals in enhancing the transportation system for Sydney commuters".

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