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**Alpha Trains and Niederbarnimer Eisenbahn strengthen their cooperation****Niederbarnimer Eisenbahn leases additional trains from Alpha Trains**

- **NEB leases compatible DMUs for 4 years**
- **Larger capacities for commuters, tourists and their bicycles**
- **Successful remarketing with long-standing existing customer**

Niederbarnimer Eisenbahn (NEB) leases four additional three-car diesel multiple units from Alpha Trains in response to the steadily increasing number of passengers in the Ostbrandenburg and Heidekrautbahn networks. The Bombardier Talent trainsets, which will be in service from 2020, can be coupled with the diesel multiple units of the same type already leased from Alpha Trains and is an ideal addition to the existing NEB fleet.

"We are delighted to be able to support the growing success of our long-standing customer Niederbarnimer Eisenbahn with our trains," says Thomas Schmidt, Managing Director of Alpha Trains Europa GmbH.

"Even after more than 10 years in service, the Talent fleet is extremely popular with our passengers. The trains are very reliable and are used by many commuters and tourists taking them safely to their destinations in East Brandenburg and Berlin," comments Detlef Bröcker, Managing Director of NEB Betriebsgesellschaft mbH.

Before entering service at NEB, the four Talents will undergo a general inspection, including the revision of all essential components in a workshop, monitored and supervised by Alpha Trains' in-house engineering department.

NEB has been leasing trains of various types from Alpha Trains for more than 10 years, including 19 diesel multiple units for the Ostbrandenburg network, which are in operation since the timetable change in December 2013.



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#### **About Alpha Trains**

*Alpha Trains is the leading rolling stock lessor in Continental Europe. Around 110 employees from 11 countries work in offices in Luxembourg, Antwerp, Cologne, Madrid and Paris. Alpha Trains owns 416 passenger trains and 363 locomotives and offers tailor-made leasing solutions, comprehensive know-how in maintenance and vehicle repairs as well as long-term experience in the financing of new build projects. Alpha Trains' fleets are in use by many public and private operators in 17 European countries. Alpha Trains' shareholders are Arcus Infrastructure Fund, AMP Capital and Public Sector Pension Investment Board (PSP Investment).*

#### **About NEB**

*Niederbarnimer Eisenbahn (NEB) creates mobility in local rail passenger transport for our Berlin-Brandenburg region. The roots of the more than 100-year-old, traditional company lie here and are at the same time the claim and motivation for an environmentally friendly connection between city and country. Niederbarnimer Eisenbahn-AG is a railway infrastructure company that owns and operates the Heidekrautbahn network in the northern outskirts of Berlin. NEB Betriebsgesellschaft mbH is a railway company operating eleven regional railway lines in the north and east of Brandenburg on behalf of the Berlin-Brandenburg Transport Authority (VBB).*

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