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TRANSDEV LONDON INCREASES ITS HYBRID FLEET

Transdev London is due to take delivery of a further five new hybrid buses. The buses – all single-deck Alexander Dennis diesel electrics – will operate from Fulwell on Route 371, which runs from Kingston to Richmond.

Their arrival follows hot on the heels of two new double-deckers in service at Hounslow Heath. The move signals Transdev London's continued enthusiasm to play a key role in assisting Transport for London in its search to find the optimum bus for the capital.

Chief Engineer Andy Morris said: "The performance of these buses will be monitored closely for operational efficiency and reliability and drivers are being trained in the unique driving characteristics, so that we can really get the best out of them."

London Buses expect that all new buses introduced into fleets after 2012 will have to be hybrid.

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Notes to Editors

London United and London Sovereign

Transdev-owned London United is one of the premier bus operating companies in the capital. It runs a network of routes across Central, West and South-West London, with over 150 million passenger journeys each year. The Company operates from six garages based in Fulwell, Hounslow, Hounslow Heath, Shepherd's Bush, Stamford Brook and Tolworth, employing more than 2000 staff and maintaining a fleet of 650 buses. London United became part of the Transdev Group in 1997. Sister company, London Sovereign, joined the Group in 2002. It operates 12 routes throughout North-West London from two garages in Edgware and Harrow. With a fleet of 100 buses it carries more than 25 million passengers a year.

Transdev in the UK

As well as its London based operations Transdev also owns Bournemouth Transport Ltd trading under the name "Yellow Buses". In North and West Yorkshire and Lancashire, Transdev owns the Blazefield Group providing high quality bus services through its five subsidiary companies. In Nottingham, Transdev is a shareholding partner with Nottingham City Transport (NCT). As part of Arrow, the concessionaire company that designed and built the Nottingham Express Transit, Transdev operates this tram system in partnership with NCT. In Edinburgh, Transdev is working with transport initiatives edinburgh (**tie**), on the development and management of the new tram system. Once the building work is completed, Transdev will operate the tram services for and on behalf of **tie**.

Transdev Globally

Transdev is a €3 billion group, operating around 100 local transport networks across Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain and the UK. It carries some 3 million passengers per day – more than 1 billion people per year in total. Transdev is the world's largest private tram operator, operating tram systems across Europe and in Australia.

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