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CAF SECURES THE CONTRACT TO SUPPLY METRIC GAUGE UNITS FOR RENFE

On June 29th, 2020 RENFE awarded CAF the supply of 37 metric gauge trains which will be used to replace the railway operator's existing fleet of this type of unit. The trains in this order are separated into two different sets: Firstly, 31 trains that will run on the RENFE Metric Gauge lines, previously managed by FEVE, improving rail services in Galicia, Asturias, Cantabria, Castilla y León and the Basque Country; and secondly, 6 trains - also Metric Gauge - that will replace the entire existing fleet serving the Cercedilla-Cotos line in the Madrid mountains, vehicles that have been running for over 40 years. The total volume of this operation for CAF amounts to over 250 million euros.

Accordingly, RENFE has begun an ambitious investment scheme, which, with an initial projected budget of close to 5 billion euros, will replace a significant proportion of its train fleet. These initial contracts are testament to the trust that RENFE has placed in the CAF Group, further strengthening the close relationship established between both companies since they started working together. This has also provided CAF with the opportunity to collaborate with RENFE to update its rolling stock, something which CAF will also make good use of to work on and develop new solutions which are called for given the current health problems, with a view towards guaranteeing completely safe travel aboard this new fleet.

The newly-developed CAF trains will feature cutting-edge on-board technology, accessibility and comfort, and will provide access to people with reduced mobility, as well as being fully adapted for persons with visual or hearing impairments.