



Volvo Bus Corporation

## Press Information

# Volvo Buses and Wrightbus land billion order in UK

**Volvo Buses has received its largest single order so far in Europe. Jointly with the bodybuilder Wrightbus, the company will deliver buses in the coming years in the UK valued at SEK 1.5 billion. Volvo's share of the order value is about 35-40%.**

The order is from one of the world's leading transport companies, FirstGroup. The order covers double-decker buses built on the Volvo B9TL chassis and 12-meter low-entry buses on the Volvo B7RLE chassis. Exact how many will be built on each chassis and where the buses will be placed in traffic will be announced by FirstGroup later. However, production of the first buses is starting immediately.

“Wrightbus together with Volvo were the obvious choice for this substantial investment,” says Moir Lockhead, FirstGroup Chief Executive. “We have worked closely together for many years and I am always impressed by Wrightbus’ innovation and creativity in design, allied to Volvo’s reliability and durability.”

“This order is a significant milestone in what I hope will continue to be a successful partnership.”

Stefan Nordström, Senior Vice President Volvo Bus Business Region Europe, is of course highly satisfied with receiving such a large order.

“This is the biggest order so far placed for Volvo bus chassis in Europe and underlines our ability to work in partnership with both Wrightbus and FirstGroup to deliver a product and service package that meets their challenging requirements over an extended timeframe. “

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