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Joint venture incl. ALPINE lands contract for railway line in Slovakia

Major contract for EUR 290 million for rehabilitation of twin-track railway line between Trenčianska Tepla and Belusa. Completion planned for 2013

Salzburg: ALPINE Bau GmbH was able to land its second railway contract within a few weeks. After two contracts for the modernization of the railway lines in Bosnia and Republika Srpska were awarded directly to ALPINE, the second largest Austrian construction company won another infrastructure project, this time under a consortium in Slovakia. The Slovakian Railway 'ZSR' awarded the contract to rehabilitate the twin-track railway line between Trenčianska Tepla and Belusa to the consortium consisting of STRABAG, PORR, ALPINE and BÖGL. The contract value is EUR 290 million.

"Winning the contract for this challenging railway project is also impressive proof of ALPINE's superior competence. Construction will start this year. Completion of the project is planned in 2013," says Dr. Peter Preindl, CEO of ALPINE Bau GmbH, pleased at winning the railway contract.

The project will involve the complete rehabilitation of a roughly 20-kilometer stretch of railway between Trenčianska Tepla and Belusa. Track will be replaced and four railroad stations, connecting roads and infrastructure buildings renovated and modernized. The modernization process is to raise the standard to the level of the Trans-European railway network.

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