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ALPINE: Final breakthrough for Metro Tunnel project in Singapore

Completion and commissioning in 2011

Singapore: ALPINE recently celebrated the final breakthrough of tunneling construction work for the extension of the Metro network in Singapore. Construction of the 33-km loop line was tendered by the Land Transport Authority of Singapore (LTA) in five stages starting in 2003. ALPINE landed two construction sections under a joint venture, impressively confirming ALPINE's competence in tunnel construction. "Breaking through the tunnel is a big step towards the completion of this section which includes 4 new Metro stations and tunnels over a length of 8.3 km by 2011," says Roman Esterbauer, managing director of ALPINE Bau GmbH. The contract value is EUR 190.67 million.

The first Metro contract section in Singapore with a value of ~ EUR 73.4 million was successfully completed at the end of May 2009.

ALPINE's competence in tunnel construction

Its extensive competence in tunnel construction not only allows ALPINE to successfully conclude projects for the construction of railroad and highway tunnels but also for water and energy management systems.

ALPINE has been involved in the construction of Switzerland's Gotthard Base Tunnel, is building part of the new subway network in New Delhi, India and the intake tunnel for the power plant in Tapovan, India. Further tunnel construction projects for power plants are located in Bulgaria and Turkey. ALPINE has also gained a foothold in tunnel construction in China by building a water supply tunnel. Consulting for tunnel construction projects is being provided in the USA, Russia, Kazakhstan and Great Britain, offering know-how and planning expertise.

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