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KEOLIS DOWNER AWARDED NEWCASTLE TRANSPORT CONTRACT

Downer EDI Limited (Downer) announced today that Transport for NSW had awarded Keolis Downer a 10 year contract, valued at approximately \$450 million, to operate a new, integrated public transport system for the city of Newcastle.

Newcastle Transport is the first multi-modal transport system to be contracted to the private sector in Australia and integrates network planning with the operation of the city's buses, ferries, light rail and interchanges.

The Chief Executive Officer of Downer, Grant Fenn, said *Newcastle Transport* would provide the growing population of Newcastle with a modern and integrated transport system that connected the city's new light rail with frequent and reliable buses and ferries.

"This integrated approach to public transport, combined with the Newcastle revitalisation and light rail projects, will greatly improve the city's transport network," Mr Fenn said.

"We look forward to working closely with Transport for NSW to deliver better public transport for the second largest city in the State."

Keolis Downer is Australia's largest private provider of multi-modal public transport. It is a joint venture that combines the world leading expertise of Keolis, a French company and one of the world's leading public transport operators, and Downer, a leading provider of engineering, transport and infrastructure services in Australia and New Zealand.

Keolis Downer is the largest light rail operator in Australia, operating and maintaining Yarra Trams in Melbourne and G:Link on the Gold Coast. Keolis Downer is also one of Australia's most significant bus operators with operations in Western Australia, South Australian and Queensland. Keolis Downer provides more than 210 million passenger trips each year.

Today, Transport for NSW also approved Stage Two of Downer's contract to design, construct and commission the new light rail, including a stabling and maintenance facility and associated precinct works.

About Downer

Downer EDI Limited (Downer) is a leading provider of services to customers in markets including: Transport Services; Rail; Mining; Utilities Services; Technology and Communications Services; and Engineering, Construction & Maintenance. We build strong relationships of trust with our customers, truly understanding and predicting their needs and bringing them world leading insights and solutions. Downer employs about 19,000 people across more than 200 sites and projects, mostly in Australia and New Zealand, but also in the Asia-Pacific region, South America and Southern Africa. For more on Downer, visit: www.downergroup.com.

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