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Crossrail concession requirements outlined by TfL

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Transport for London has given notice of plans to let a concession to operate Crossrail trains.

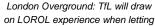
The contract, which will be modelled on the London Overground concession let to Deutsche Bahn/MTR owned LOROL, will take charge of existing commuter services in East Anglia and west London which will eventually be joined up to provide a cross-London service once the new Crossrail tunnels are completed in 2018/19.

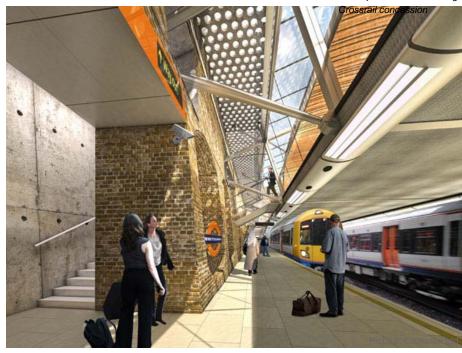
TfL's Rail for London arm intends to invite tenders for the concession in the third quarter of 2013, according to a periodic indicative notice published in the Official Journal of the European Union this week. The successful bidder will run the Shenfield to Liverpool Street train services, which will be separated from the Greater Anglia rail franchise in 2015, and will support the introduction of the new fleet of Crossrail trains -

initially on this route but across London as the full Crossrail service comes online.

As such it is a pre-requisite that the concessionaire will be able to prove they can establish a close relationship with the company chosen to supply the new trains and Old Oak Common depot. Bombardier, CAF, Hitachi and Siemens are shortlisted for this contract. Until the new rolling stock is delivered the concessionaire will run existing leased trains on the Liverpool Street-Shenfield route.

Other key responsibilities will include the recruitment and training of the personnel necessary to provide train services and the satisfactory attainment of safety certification to undertake both trial operations and timetabled services. The operator of Crossrail trains will provide resources to support the introduction of the new rolling stock, depot and station facilities and the associated testing and commissioning activities.





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The concessionaire will help develop the final Crossrail timetable to deliver up to 30 trains an hour during peak periods. There will also be a requirement to enter into station and track access agreements, station leases and the delivery of station improvements.

LOROL operates trains on the London Overground network under contract to TfL which takes the revenue risk for services.

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