

# Thales gets contract extension to continue work on Montreal Metro network

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Thales has had its contract extended by Société de transport de Montréal (STM), which will see the global technology company provide new computer-based interlocking systems to eight additional metro stations.

The contract extension will see engineers complete a series of upgrades across all lines of the rapid transit system in Montreal, Canada. When the work is finished, Thales will be supplying new technology to a total of 16 stations/depots.

The new technology from Thales will enable the STM to improve its metro network operations which, before the pandemic, could serve nearly a million passenger trips per weekday.

The **original contract, awarded in 2018 to Thales**, included replacing the signalling equipment across eight stations and garages to allow STM to maintain service quality by upgrading their existing infrastructure. This means Thales will be supplying new technology to a total of 16 stations/depots, enabling the STM to improve their signaling equipment while staying state-of-the-art.

Alcino De Sousa, VP & managing director, Thales Urban Rail Signalling, said: "This contract extension

solidifies our strong working relationship with the STM and demonstrates our commitment to supporting the ambitions for Montreal's metro through our technology solutions. Our strong local presence in Quebec will ensure long term support for the STM and the passengers they serve."