

TSO and CIM win new contracts with Metro de Panamá S.A.

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TCP Rail Inc., a JV owned by **TSO**, subsidiary of **NGE**, and its partner **CIM**, was awarded by **Metro de Panamá S.A.** the contract to supply and install track and rigid catenary equipment for the northern extension of line 1 of the network. The company was also awarded a new contract for the maintenance of line 2 (catenaries, track and workshop equipment) for a duration of three years.

The construction of the northern extension of line 1 awarded to **TSO** includes the design, supply and laying of the track and the rigid catenary. This 2.2 km viaduct section will connect San Isidro station, current terminus, to the future terminus of the line in Villa Zaíta.

This extension will transport up to 10,000 passengers per hour and will have a multimodal bus and taxi platform at its terminus, as well as a park-and-ride facility with a capacity of 800 vehicles. Its construction is also included in this project.

The 300 employees mobilised at the peak of activity will have to lay the tracks and catenary in five months: a real challenge in terms of logistics and planning.

The **TSO-CIM** teams are currently finalising work on the extension of line 2, which includes two passenger stations, ITSE and Airport, which will benefit thousands of residents and tourists visiting Tocumen International Airport each year.

Gilles Philibert, **TSO** international director and TCP Rail Inc. CEO, said: “This new project is a recognition of the expertise and quality of the **TSO-CIM** partnership in railway infrastructure in Panama. Our teams have already successfully delivered the equipment for lines 1 and 2 and will use their experience and know-how for this new project.”