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MODERN STREETCAR PROJECT MANUFACTURING OF STREETCARS TO BEGIN

The City of Tucson and Oregon Iron Works, Inc. (OIW) today signed a contract to begin manufacturing seven modern streetcar vehicles, which will be part of the Modern Streetcar line slated to be operational in 2013. The streetcars have been identified as the longest lead item for the project, and the signing of the contract ensures that the project is moving forward in a timely manner.

The Modern Streetcar project is a voter-approved project being co-managed by an agreement between the City of Tucson and the Regional Transportation Authority.

The Tucson Modern Streetcar will be a 3.9-mile fixed rail transit system, with a total project cost of \$196.8 million. More than 100,000 people live and work within a half-mile of the route. The project will connect the Arizona Health Sciences Center, The University of Arizona, Main Gate Square, 4th Avenue Shopping District, Congress Shopping and Entertainment District, and the Mercado District on downtown's west side. For more information on the Modern Streetcar, please visit www.TucsonStreetcar.info.

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