

BUS DISPLAY HIGHLIGHTS



▲ Nova Bus unveiled Austin, Texas-based Capital Metro's new LFX articulated bus. It is the first of 22 buses designed for the agency's new MetroRapid BRT line, with the contract including options for an additional 58 vehicles. It features a full roofline, flush windows and LED lighting.

▲ New Flyer and Alexander Dennis officials, including New Flyer President/CEO Paul Soubry, launched the new MIDI bus. It will be available in 30- and 35-foot models and is set to begin production this September at New Flyer's St. Cloud, Minn. plant. Currently, the MIDI is available with a Cummins clean-diesel engine, with the companies in the preliminary stages of developing a CNG option.



▲ Winnebago introduced its new Metro Link to the public transportation market. Features include direct body-to-frame mounting for improved strength; fully welded, tubular steel framework for a more durable body structure; and a one-piece fiberglass roof to reduce maintenance and eliminate areas for potential water leaks, according to Terry Tweeten, dir. of specialty vehicles.



▲ MCI's team was on hand to showcase Denver RTD's new Commuter Coaches, which are equipped with a wheelchair lift and an ACTIA multiplex system as well as an ergonomic driver dash and the latest clean-diesel engine technology for near-zero emissions.



▲ Gillig's new BRTPlus bus was used for shuttling show attendees before it heads to Cincinnati's SORTA. It features a unitized stainless steel chassis with a unique side-impact barrier to add strength and corrosion resistance as well as protect passengers in the event of a collision.

▲ Complete Coach Works is weeks away from delivering its first Zero-Emission Propulsion System (ZEPS) bus to Richland, Wash.-based Ben Franklin Transit. The updated ZEPS bus features composite lightweight flooring, energy-efficient LED lighting and low rolling resistance tires, which takes more than 3,300 pounds off the total weight of the bus, resulting in greater range.



▲ The sun kept the raindrops at bay at APTA's outdoor bus display located in White River State Park Visitor Center's parking lot.



▲ Proterra's EcoRide BE35 is the first zero-emission full-size bus to pass Altoona-testing and was proven to have both the highest fuel economy (22 mpg average) and lowest noise (57 dBA or 10 times lower) of any full-size passenger bus ever tested.



▲ Arboc's Spirit of Liberty features a lightweight "Bolt-N-Bond" hybrid composite construction that is 30% lighter, which contributes to a 6% gain in fuel economy, and is designed to address and exceed 2014 to 2018 economy standards.

METRO DAILY

Tuesday, May 7, 2013



APTA 2013 BUS AND PARATransIT CONFERENCE, REANAPLES, / TUESDAY, MAY 7

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Registration/Check-in

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Breakfast

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Opening Remarks

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Keynote: The Future of Public Transportation

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Session: The Future of Public Transportation

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Session: The Future of Public Transportation

10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Session: The Future of Public Transportation

11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Session: The Future of Public Transportation

11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Lunch

12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Session: The Future of Public Transportation

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Communication, Partnering Key to Transit's Sandy Response

Transit agencies across the country are looking for ways to improve their communication and partnering efforts in the wake of Superstorm Sandy. The storm hit the Northeast coast of the United States, causing significant damage to infrastructure and disrupting public transportation services. Industry leaders are emphasizing the importance of clear communication and strong partnerships with local government and the community to ensure a swift and effective recovery.

Spirit of Liberty



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