

## ROG to Deliver and Test New TfL Trains

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The new class 710 series 'LOTRAIN' EMUs, currently being built by Bombardier in Derby, will be main-line tested and delivered by ROG. The first in class 710 is expected to undergo testing in the autumn with deliveries to Willesden TMD planned to commence at the end of the year. ROG will utilise its Dellner fitted class 37 locomotives to undertake deliveries.



### New Livery for ROG Class 47 Fleet

ROG revealed its new locomotive livery and branding on Friday 07 July. The branding includes ROG's new 'connections' graphic.

ROG's class 47 locomotive 47813 was the first locomotive to receive the new livery and branding.

The remaining class 47 fleet will undergo similar treatment in due course.

The work was undertaken by LORAM in Derby. (More images on ROG's website).

### ROG Launch Wheel Turning Service

ROG are launching a new wheel turning service for the UK rolling stock engineering community. The principle of the model is that, following a request from the customer for vehicle or unit wheel turning, ROG will arrange access to the most appropriate wheel lathe and then provide collection and delivery to/from the 'home' depot to the lathe. Jason Hall, ROG's Head of Rail Services, said "the principle is to utilise spare capacity of under-utilised wheel lathes and provide the customer with alternative arrangements when the primary wheel lathe is unavailable".

Now that ROG have both Dellner and Tightlock fitted locomotives, the task of collecting an EMU from a depot and taking it to a wheel lathe is made much easier than the historic methodology of using translator or barrier vehicles.

## More Technical Advancement from ROG



*Tightlock fitted ROG class 37 locomotive, 37884, hauling a pair of class 319 EMUs*

In 2015, ROG announced its vision to terminate the use of barrier and translator vehicles from locomotive haulage of UK EMU train fleets. The vision forms part of ROG's principle objective of supporting the rolling stock engineering community with a more dynamic and modern approach to train operations.

The vision required ROG to acquire and modify a small fleet of locomotives. The modification equips the locomotives with electro-pneumatic brake translation equipment and also Dellner and Tightlock couplers compatible with UK EMU rolling stock.

Although ROG has been locomotive hauling EMU stock with Dellner couplers for 18 months, ROG completed the vision earlier this month when it ran its first commercial service hauling a pair of class 319 EMUs using direct coupling through its new drop-head Tightlock coupler arrangement.

The new Tightlock arrangement has been designed, engineered and fitted by UKRL in Leicester.

### ROG Strengthen Their Class 37 Fleet

ROG's latest addition to their locomotive fleet is class 37 locomotive no. 37601. The locomotive has been fitted with electro-pneumatic translator equipment and will support its sister locomotives on Dellner fitted EMU haulage operations.



### Tram Safety

Since 2016 ROG has been supporting Edinburgh Trams with the development of the Rail Management Maturity Model (RM3). This critical step forward adds value and quality to this specialist part of the industry and ROG are proud to be part of this process bringing our skills and experience as UK train operator. ROG have recently engaged with Croydon Trams assisting with reviewing and refreshing safety procedures.

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