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Axalta Paints China's New Bullet Train Model Fuxing

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Axalta coats new generation CR400AF bullet trains with durable coatings that support longer service lifespan

SHANGHAI--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Axalta Coating Systems (NYSE: AXTA), a leading global liquid and powder coatings supplier, coats China's new Fuxing model bullet train in collaboration with CRRC Qingdao Sifang Co., Ltd. A CR400AF model with Axalta's bright red Imron™ coatings along its beltlines departed from Beijing South Railway Station to Shanghai on June 27, welcoming a milestone in China's high-speed railway system.

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Axalta's Imron dazzles on China's new super high-speed Fuxing bullet train between Shanghai and Beijing. (Photo: Axalta)

As China's next generation high speed train, the Fuxing, which means "rejuvenation" in Chinese,

is designed to cruise at 350 kilometers per hour and reach a maximum of 400 km/h, which doubles the speed of its predecessor Hexie train. The Fuxing train is designed to last for 30 years, which is 10 years longer than that of the Hexie train. It also has been constructed to meet China's latest rigorous environmental, safety, and passenger comfort performance standards.

Partnering with CRRC Qingdao Sifang Co., Ltd, the world's largest supplier of rail transit equipment, Axalta provided a comprehensive portfolio of surfacer, primer, base coat and clearcoat to meet the Fuxing's tough operating environments and high speed demands. The outstanding weatherability characteristics of Axalta's products will provide the trains with 1,500 hours of resistance to aging, significantly upgrading the lifespan of the painted exterior of the Fuxing.

China's Fuxing trains have two models, the CR400AF and CR400BF. Fuxing's CR400AF models are painted with Imron

and decorated with poppy red coating beltlines.

“Congratulations to China's new generation bullet train - Fuxing - rolling out successfully! Axalta feels great honor to join in the design and construction work with CRRC Qingdao Sifang Co., Ltd and make it all happen,” said Willie Wu, Vice President of Axalta and President of its Greater China operations. “Over the past 150 years, Axalta has kept its sights on providing sophisticated coating solutions and products to meet specific customer standards. We are excited to play our part in strengthening transportation networks and operation capacities across China and at the same time work with our business partners to contribute to great breakthroughs.”

Axalta is committed to various public transportation projects in China and has contributed to high-speed railway networks such as the high-speed trains of Harbin Dalian railway, and to trains in the extension section of Tianjin Urban Rail Line 1 and the Beijing Metro Line 15.

About Axalta Coating Systems

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