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# Low Floor Light Rail Vehicle Procurement

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## Streetcar Facts – Current System

**Annual Streetcar  
Passenger-trips ~ 80 million**

**Vehicles:**

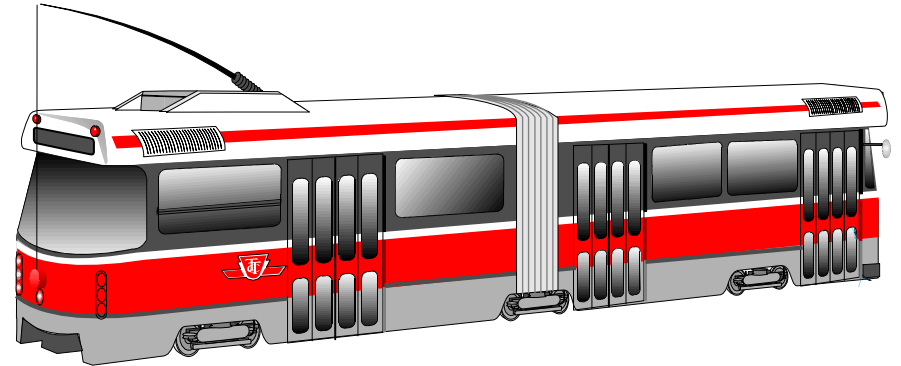
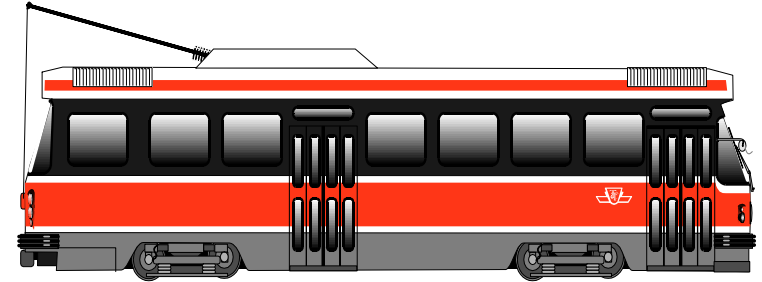
- 196 CLRVs (Car 1 – **1977**)
- 52 ALRVs (Car 1 – **1987**)

**Tracks:**

- 85 double track km
- 89 special track work

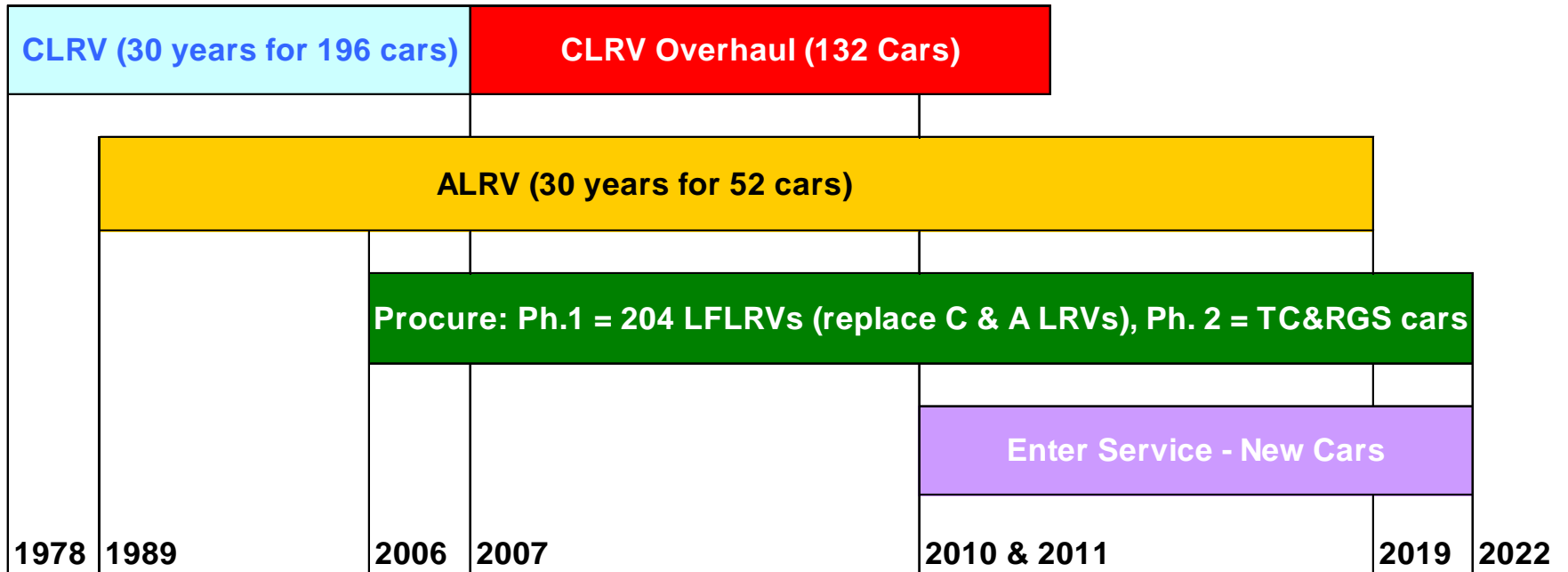
**Service Routes:**

- 11 Routes total
- 3 Semi-Right-of-Way





## Streetcar - LRV Fleet Plan





## Main Project Objectives

### **Base 204 LF LRVs will:**

- Replace aging fleet, relieve congestion & accommodate natural ridership growth**
- Provide accessible, safe and customer-friendly vehicles; attract ridership**
- Improve fleet reliability, availability & maintainability**
- Form base design for adaptation for Transit City LRVs for improved reliability, maintenance efficiency and reduced spare parts ratio**



## MOVE ONTARIO 2020

- 120 double-track km / 7 lines
- 175 million new riders p.a.
- approx 480 new LF LRVs
- Commissioning starts 2012



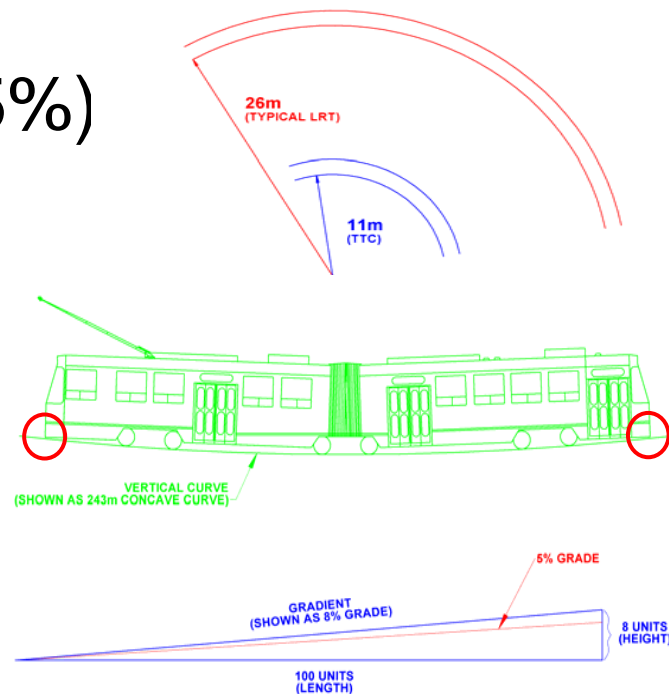
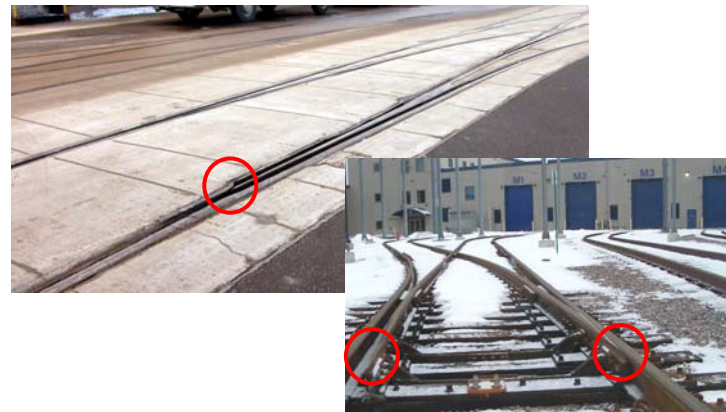
## Toronto Transit City Light Rail Plan

- existing subway
- existing light rail



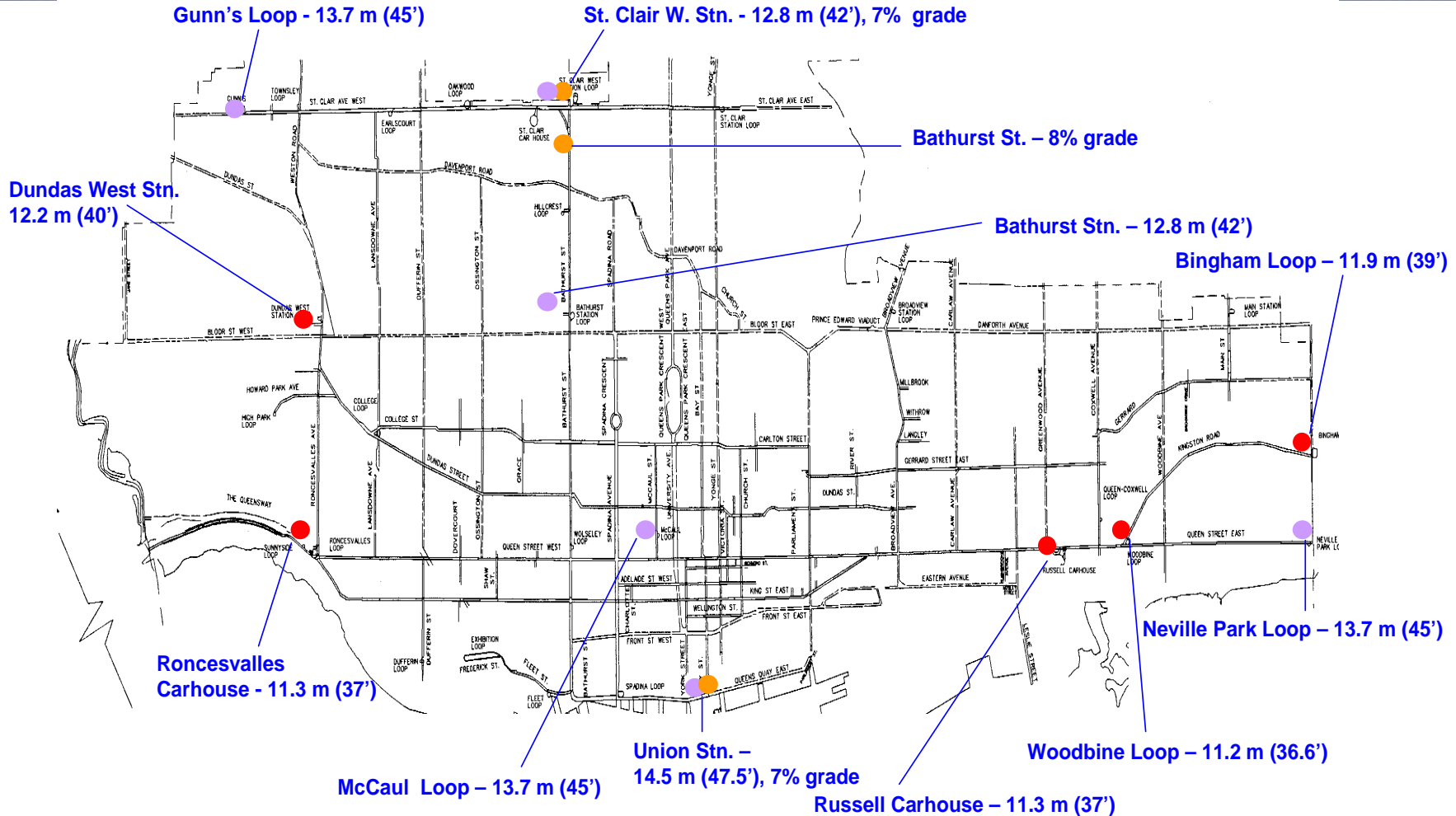
## Unique Technical Challenges in Toronto

1. Track Switch  
(Single vs. Double-Point)
2. Tight Loop and Curve Radius  
(11m vs. 25m)
3. Grade Requirements (8% vs. 5%)
4. Ground-borne Vibration
5. Overhead Wire Capacity
6. Buff Load (Collision Strength)
7. Fare Collection





## 2. Tight Curve Radius & 3. Steep Gradient



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SAMPLE OF TIGHT RADIUS CURVES AND STEEP GRADES

- Curve or Loop under 12.2 m (40') radius
- Curve or Loop between 12.2 and 14.6 m (40'1" and 48')
- Grade steeper than 7%



## Queen at Mutual, December 1933







## Derailment Video – Prague, the Czech Republic





## LF LRV Main Features (1)

- 27m – 30m long (CLR V = 15.4m; ALRV = 23.2m)
- Single ended, 4 doors, air-conditioned
- ~ 260 passenger crush load (CLR V = 132; ALRV = 205)
- Customer input driven design
- Accessible – 2 wheelchair positions, bike rack, audio/visual stop announcement
- Secure – cameras, advance warning to motorists about impending stops, anti-microbial coating on stanchions
- Safe – performance, crash energy management, outward visibility, meet SSP





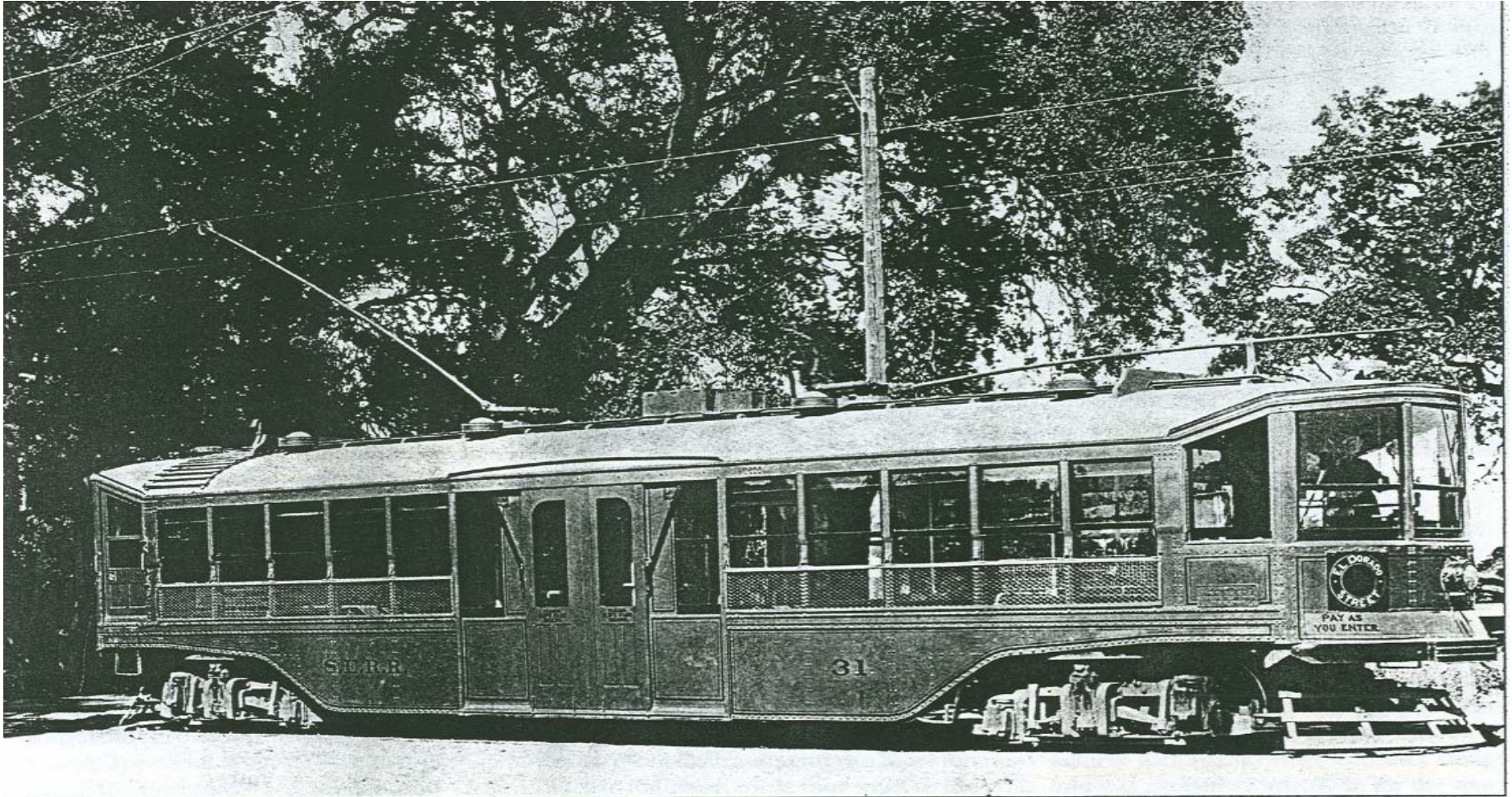
## LF LRV Main Features (2)

- Environmental impact mitigation:
  - Regenerative braking
  - Equipment right-sizing
  - L.E.D. exterior lighting and intelligent auxiliary power control
  - Energy efficient glazing and insulation
  - Non-ozone depleting air conditioning freon
  - Aggressive weight and end-of-life recyclable material management programs
- Enclosed cab - ticket vending & validation machines
- Go anywhere – steep grades, tight curves, extended tunnel operation
- High reliability and maintainability
- Easy adaptation for Transit City vehicles





## Possible Worldwide Solutions





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## LF LRV Procurement Schedule

**Year**

**Issue Request For Interest (RFI)**

**Create New Streetcar Specifications**

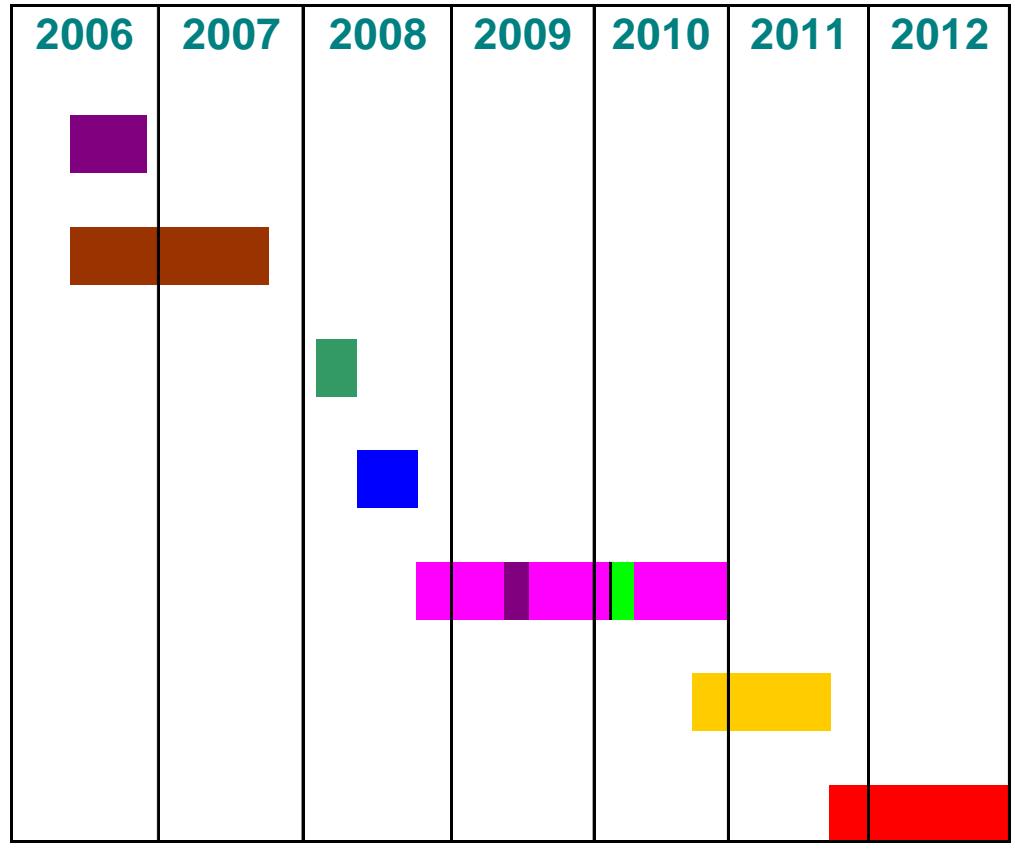
**Issue Request For Proposal (RFP)**

**Review Submissions & Award Contract**

**Review Design, Cab & Car Mock-up**

**Evaluate Prototype Vehicles**

**Start Receiving Production Vehicles**





## Procurement Process to Meet Challenges

1. Analyze technical risks & Identify Best Practices
2. Advertise & Issue Request for Interest (RFI) to known carbuilders – 7 responded
3. Public consultation
4. Canadian Content
5. Meet with internal stakeholders
6.
  - a) 3-D track geometry mapping to ensure compatibility of LRV with TTC infrastructure
  - b) Simulate LFLRV behaviour – ground-borne vibration, overhead catenary capacity
7. In-depth technical discussions with 4 carbuilders
  - a) Safety Against Derailment - single point track switch & tight radius curves
  - b) Gradeability – all trucks powered, 100% vs. partial low floor
  - c) Ground borne vibration
8. Release draft specification for industrial comments
9. Issue Request for Proposal (RFP)



## RFP Submission Evaluation Process (1)

- Two Envelope process
- Pass/Fail technical requirements
- Qualitative technical evaluation
- Pricing (including relevant life cycle costing)
- Canadian Content requirement
- Negotiate with recommended qualified proponent



## RFP Submission Evaluation Process (2)

- Complete evaluation process identified in RFP
- Qualitative technical evaluation (includes specific scoring for various technical elements)
- MUST reach a minimum of 85% to be considered qualified



## Canadian Content

- RFP will include Canadian content requirement
- Booz Allen developed target
- Designed to provide competitive bids
- Contract will include audit provisions to validate Canadian content
- Holdbacks will be in place to protect the Commission



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*Thank you*