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PRESS RELEASE

## Sem Sigeif Mobilités and its partners FRAIKIN and TAB Rail Road committed to an ambitious European project for the promotion of Bio-CNG.

United in the same ambition to promote the production and use of bio methane as an innovative fuel to significantly improve road transport in Europe, Sigeif Mobilités has joined forces with its partners: FRAIKIN Group, the European leader in commercial vehicle fleet management solutions, and TAB Rail Road, in a project to promote CNG/Bio-CNG named Olympic Energy.



From left to right: Olivier Dutrech (FRAIKIN), Jeanne Brunier (TAB Rail Road), Jean-Michel Philip and Christophe Provot (Sigeif Mobilités).

The European Commission has been supporting the deployment of a sustainable and efficient transport system since 2014 and is promoting the decarbonisation of all modes of transport along trans-European corridors and in urban nodes.

In this context, Sigeif Mobilités and its partners have committed themselves to a European project for the promotion of CNG/Bio-CNG, dealing with:

- > The construction of eight CNG/Bio-CNG stations in the Île-de-France region by Sigeif Mobilités,
- > The purchase of 330 heavy goods vehicles powered by CNG/Bio-CNG by The FRAIKIN Group and TAB Rail Road for their European network.

This partnership between Sigeif Mobilités, FRAIKIN and TAB Rail Road is a perfect example of a coordinated approach between a network developer of alternative fuel stations, a rental company and a user of heavy goods vehicles using CNG/Bio-CNG, united in a common ambition to promote the production and use of bio methane, an innovative and virtuous technology, decarbonize road freight transport, reduce noise derived from transport, significantly improve air quality, and thus continue to develop a sector of excellence in Europe that creates value and jobs.

The Olympic Energy project, thanks to the European positioning and the experience of its partners, also relies on the complementarity of transport modes: road, inland waterway and rail.

The results of this call for proposals will be announced in September 2018.

*"The initiative taken by Sigeif to develop the gas mobility sector four years ago is now fully in line with European Union's Energy and Climate package objectives and the declarations chosen by the Commission. By virtue of its ambition, size and coherence, the partnership created with FRAIKIN and TAB Transport has all the qualities needed to be recognized by the Commission"* declared Jean-Jacques Guillet, President of SEM Sigeif Mobilités.

*"The mission of the FRAIKIN Group is to offer companies and local authorities, whatever their size and activity, the most relevant solutions for the management of commercial and industrial vehicle fleets. This profession, which we have been passionately involved in for more than seventy years, has enabled us to reach a leadership position in the French market and to be recognized as a reference in Europe. In this way, we exercise our responsibility in designing the most efficient and environmentally friendly solutions for our customers. That's why today we decided to promote CNG and Bio-CNG"*, said Pierre-Louis Colin, Chairman of the Management Board of Groupe FRAIKIN.

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*“As a road haulage company specialized in the technology of combined road-rail transport, our aim is to develop sustainable transport. This objective is implemented with the use of long-distance railways on one hand, and the deployment of a CNG fleet on the first and last kilometers on the other. It is thanks to this virtuous alliance that we are able to offer our shipper customers carbon-free transport”, explains Ivan Stempczynski, Managing Director of TAB Rail Road.*

*“It is part of the DNA of TAB Rail Road to innovate in order to offer its customers a service corresponding to its values, whether in terms of quality or environment. Already being the leader in Combined Road Rail Transport in France, TAB had to offer a carbon-free transport service by adding CNG and BioGNV to its transport chain. The prerequisite for this project was, and still is, the installation of CNG/BioGNV stations. We therefore enthusiastically support Sigeif’s projects”, adds Jean-Claude Brunier, CEO of the Open Modal Group (of which TAB Rail Road is a member).*

**SEM Sigeif Mobilités**, with a capital of 5,000,000 euros, is currently owned by seven shareholders. Sigeif Mobilités is a leading developer of CNG and bio-CNG refuelling stations in the Île-de-France region. Sigeif Mobilités is dedicated exclusively to this activity. It benefits from the Sigeif’s experience and has acquired a unique experience in the design, development, financing, construction and operation of stations distributing natural gas for vehicles (CNG). It benefits from the support and experience of financial and industrial partners. Its organisation and flexible, agile management methodology allow it to react very quickly in all areas, particularly with land management, a key factor in the development of CNG in the Île-de-France region.

#### **FRAIKIN**

With seventy years of experience and a turnover of €683 million in 2017, the FRAIKIN Group, the European leader in fleet management solutions for commercial and commercial industrial vehicles, has the largest multi-brand and multi-function vehicle fleet (58,000 vehicles) as well as the largest dedicated and integrated network with 180 branches throughout Europe (France, Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg, the United Kingdom, Spain, Switzerland, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, the Netherlands, Italy and Russia), as well as in Saudi Arabia. FRAIKIN is more than just a rental company: with 2,800 employees, it supports its customers in defining solutions adapted to their needs and expresses a know-how that is always close to their requirements of reactivity and flexibility.

FRAIKIN will be present at SITL 2018 Villepinte, stand 6-G129, from 20 to 23 March 2018.

More information: [www.fraikin.com](http://www.fraikin.com)

#### **TAB Rail Road**

TAB Rail Road is the French leader in combined road rail transport. The company has 4 sites in Saint-Jean-de-Védas (Hérault), Saint-Thibéry (Hérault), Créteil (Val-de-Marne) and Toulouse (Haute-Garonne) and also has combined rail terminals in Lille, Avignon, Toulouse, Bordeaux, Marseille, Paris (Bonneuil and Valenton), Nancy and Milan.

TAB Rail Road is part of the Open Modal Group (Brunier family), which also includes T3M, TCRR Operator and BTM, Terminal Operator, with consolidated revenues of €82 million for 2017.

TAB Rail Road is a member of the Groupement Astre and GNTC.

TAB RAIL Road will be present at the SITL 2018 Villepinte, stand 6-H91, from 20 to 23 March 2018.

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