

Prevost Showcases 15,000th Vehicle – The New 2011 H3-45

Sainte-Claire, QC, January 3, 2011 – Prevost has manufactured their 15,000th vehicle and will showcase the new motorcoach at the American Bus Association Marketplace and the United Motorcoach Association Expo in January. This important announcement marks another milestone in the history of Prevost and demonstrates the continued commitment from Prevost to the motorcoach industry. The 15,000th vehicle is a newly re-designed 2011 H3-45. Being the flagship of the Prevost line-up, the new H-Series conveys the brand values of customer intimacy, premium quality and sound innovation; and it is designed to look the part. Expressive forms and elegant features make it a sophisticated standout: The high-end coach with attitude.

H-Series Design

Front end

The outstanding expressiveness of the H-Series front end grabs public attention and embodies the Prevost brand and its unique DNA in a highly recognizable and truly memorable way. The presence at the front of the coach, of the chromed logotype on the glossy black surface and the attention given to minute details, reinforces the appeal and distinction of the coach. The front end strikingly integrates sound functionality improvements such as the new proprietary headlamps which deliver the highest halogen light output ever on a Prevost coach. Extra space for a full-size 365 tire has been composed behind the sharply restyled front bumper, making use of the fuel efficient super-single tires even more convenient.

New profile

Visually sharper, the new H-Series seems to be machined from a solid piece of steel. The new sculpted wheel arches are bold yet refined and add character to the coach's expressive and timeless design. Its stature and its robust appearance translate into a feeling of safety for both passengers and drivers. Its elegance and prestige confirm your status and reputation.

The basic proportions of the H-Series offer your passengers the highest and most panoramic view in the industry, making it the ideal coach for sightseeing and enjoyment.

New rear section

Unique wrap-around tail lamps, superior air flow management and a striking design highlight the new rear section of the H-Series coach.

The new proprietary tail lamps show Prevost's commitment to excellence. Their wrap-around surface and integrated automotive reflectors give the coach a luxurious and sophisticated quality. These tail lamps, the largest in the industry, are more visible than ever thanks to modern, long-lasting LED technology and their high location on the coach. Light diffusion is carefully managed to increase side visibility, while amber LEDs make turn signals stand out for maximum safety.

The clean and modern design of the rear section of the coach features a reduced number of air vents made possible by advanced air-flow management in the engine compartment. The unique full-width engine door and top panel door provide superior access to mechanical components for your convenience. Crisp vertical character lines visually integrate the doors into an elegant and well proportioned volume.

Prevost AWARE – Adaptive Cruise Braking

Prevost AWARE introduces innovative new safety features that advance Prevost's commitment to safety.

Adaptive Cruise - When cruise control is on, AWARE automatically adjusts the cruise speed of the coach to maintain a safe following distance, taking into consideration the position of the vehicle ahead. The system automatically returns the coach to the original cruise speed when it is safe to do so. AWARE will decrease speed to try to maintain adequate distance, and if the system realizes that this intervention will not be sufficient, it will activate the Impact Alert to tell the driver to apply full braking.

Impact Alert - This feature will alert the driver if the distance between coach and vehicle ahead closes too quickly, giving the driver an opportunity to take action. Impact Alert is always active and protecting the coach (in cruise or not).

Following Distance Alert - Reminds the driver to keep a safe following distance by indicating when the coach is following too closely to the vehicle ahead.

Volvo D13 Engine

The Volvo D13 engine is the only EPA 2010 engine that uses an existing platform, so it is the only engine platform that has been tested with years of real-world road conditions. Volvo's D13 engine has superior low-end performance, smooth, quiet operation and drastically lowers emission of air pollutants, with better performance and lower fuel consumption. Prevost's care for the environment supports our long-standing policy of conserving energy and protecting natural resources. Volvo's D13 engine adheres to this philosophy, drastically lowering emission of air pollutants, with better performance and lower fuel consumption.

Well-Tested D13 Engine Platform

- Superior Low-End Performance
- Smooth, Quiet Operation
- High Fuel Economy

The Volvo SCR Solution Exceeds EPA Emissions Standards

When the EPA imposed new heavy-duty diesel emission standards, Volvo chose Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) as the technology that most efficiently solved the problem of nitrogen oxides. Our SCR approach – already well proven in Europe – combines the best aspects of Exhaust Gas Recirculation (EGR) with a Diesel Particulate Filter (DPF) and selective catalytic reduction to provide the best possible solution. A solution that exceeds new 2010 EPA NOx emissions requirements.

SCR Advantages

NEAR-ZERO EMISSIONS

Volvo engineers created a system that delivers near-zero emissions of particulates and NOx. Volvo's D13 engine with advanced SCR is a highly efficient solution that reduces diesel emissions and improves air quality in accordance with EPA '10 regulations.

IMPROVED FUEL EFFICIENCY

Thanks to Volvo engines with SCR exhaust aftertreatment system, we're able to lower fuel consumption. The 2010 D13 engine's unparalleled SCR system provides improved fuel efficiency over previous D13 engines.

NO ACTIVE REGENERATION

A DPF accumulates particulate matter that periodically must be burned off using a process called regeneration. With Volvo's 2010 SCR technology, this regeneration occurs automatically—and the driver proceeds without even being aware the process is taking place. Under normal driving conditions, there's never a need to park and perform an "active" regeneration.

Volvo I-Shift

Volvo I-Shift is a 12-speed, two-pedal, lightweight automated manual transmission (AMT) that delivers an exceptional level of productivity by simultaneously maximizing driver comfort, safety, payload capacity and fuel efficiency.

I-Shift is designed to integrate seamlessly with Volvo Power engines. It represents the fourth generation of proven Volvo AMT technology that requires minimum service and virtually no maintenance. Volvo I-Shift has become the new transmission standard in terms of fuel efficiency, safety and ease of operation. It helps fleets attract and keep good drivers, and makes good drivers even better.

Operational advantages to enhance your productivity and lower operating costs

I-Shift lets every driver shift like a fuel efficiency expert, reducing your fuel costs. Smooth shifting puts less stress on the driveline and the tires, and can extend the useful life of the driveline and minimize maintenance. I-Shift is also light in weight, increasing your payload opportunity.

Improved Cluster/Driver Display

Prevost's new Cluster showcases an insightful Driver Information Display (DID), providing significant advantages to drivers and operators. Important information is easily communicated, offering several valuable tools. The Fuel Data Management function allows better management of fuel stops to optimize trip planning (i.e., how much fuel has been used, how much fuel is remaining before refueling the vehicle). The Driver Information Display shows Clear Text Display Messages to help drivers understand the importance of the message and allows drivers to take actions according to the urgency level. Another convenient feature is the optional pre-trip inspection. The available pre-trip tests include the Exterior Light Inspection check and the Air Leakage check. Password protected functions allow the operator to control what information is available to be seen and modified by the driver. In addition, through Data Logging, the operator can access built-in functions about fuel and trip data to assist fleet management and identify driving habits to address in training. The Driver Information Display allows customization of the information in the display. It gives the operator the flexibility to highlight information he values as important. For example, fuel data could be included in the favorite display to promote fuel efficient driving habits to drivers. Also, the LED

screen of the Driver Display improves cycle life and reduces maintenance related to replacing bulbs.

Steering Wheel Controls

Using its multiplexed architecture, Prevost moved controls for key functions from the dashboard to the steering wheel. Some controls that are used frequently by drivers only—cruise control, shifting, engine brake, and electric sun visor—have been moved to the steering wheel. Putting vehicle functions at drivers’ fingertips lets them keep their eyes on the road and hands on the wheel, helping to increase safety for all on board.

About Prevost

Prevost is a leading manufacturer of premium intercity touring coaches and the world leader in the production of conversion coaches for high-end motorhome and specialty conversion. A company in the Volvo Group of Companies, it has access to the financial strength, research capability, and manufacturing expertise of the group. The Volvo Group is one of the world’s leading manufacturers of heavy-duty diesel engines. Prevost has its main manufacturing facilities in Sainte-Claire, Quebec, Canada and has seven Parts and Service Centers located in the United States and Canada. www.prevostcar.com

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