



**TO ASTALDI INTERIM AWARD OF EURO 165 MILLION  
FOR A NEW RAILWAY LINE CONTRACT**

*Rome, March 24th, 2005* – Astaldi won at interim the Euro 165 Million contract for the increase and doubling of the Parma-La Spezia railway line, the stretch between Solignano and Osteriazza. It is a 12 Km long railway stretch and the contract includes the executive design, construction works, railway armament, electrical drive system and signalling. Works are expected to be completed in about 6 years and 3 months.

The main items of the works include: a 4.2 Km long double tunnel, a 440 meters long bridge over the Taro river, a 150 meter long viaduct and two artificial tunnels to undergo the Parma-La Spezia highway for 160 and 243 meters long.

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