

MRT Corp makes public tender evaluation criteria

KUALA LUMPUR: Mass Rapid Transit Corp Sdn Bhd (MRT Corp) has made public its tender evaluation process for the supply of electric trains for the Klang Valley Mass Rapid Transit system.

In a statement yesterday, MRT Corp said it made the unprecedented move in view of the high level of interest in the bid, and also in line with the company's emphasis on transparency for its

procurement process.

CEO Datuk Azhar Abdul Hamid said by revealing the criteria, Malaysians would be able to see the stringent steps being taken to ensure the best companies were selected to supply electric trains for the country's first MRT line.

"Although unprecedented, this transparent move shouldn't be considered out of the ordinary. We have always maintained that

there is absolute transparency in our processes, and by making the evaluation process public, the rakyat can see for themselves how objective it really is," he said.

Azhar said that when tenders close on June 11, all bidders will be subjected to a four-stage evaluation process. He added that six companies had been pre-qualified to tender for the electric trains systems work pack-

age: Kawasaki Heavy Industries Ltd, Bombardier (M) Sdn Bhd-Bombardier Sifang (Qingdao) Transportation Ltd-Scomi Rail Bhd consortium, Changchun Railways Vehicles Co Ltd, Siemens AG and Siemens (M) Sdn Bhd, Hyundai Rotem Co and CSR Zhuzhou Electric Locomotive Co Ltd. The tender for 58 electric train sets opened for bidding on Feb 24. — *Bernama*