

MERMEC DELIVERS ITS FIRST TRAIN BUILT IN THE US

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The unveiling ceremony of the new **San Francisco Metro BART** (*Bay Area Rapid Transit*) Inspection and Control Diagnostic Vehicle made by **MERMEC Group**, part of **Angel Holding**, was held on May 3.

MERMEC Group CEO **Luca Necchi Ghiri**, MERMEC's vice president for international affairs **Angelo Petrosillo** and BART representatives, including General Manager **Robert Powers**, attended the event.

The RIV vehicle, which was built by MERMEC in accordance with the requirements defined in the *Build America Buy America Act*, represents a significant step forward for the railroad industry and BART passengers by improving the safety, reliability and quality of rail service: It will enable the vehicle to detect the presence of issues along the traveled track with extreme accuracy and without obstructing the normal course of rail operations. In particular, the vehicle will provide an exhaustive profile of the track using hi-tech laser technology, sensors, cameras, and measurement and data management systems, all while traveling at a fast speed.

MERMEC Group CEO **Luca Necchi Ghiri** said, "*Proud to partner with BART on this extraordinary project. We have launched a high-tech infrastructure measurement vehicle, one of the most advanced in the world and a model for the entire West Coast.*"

MERMEC's vice president for international affairs **Angelo Petrosillo** stressed, "*We are extremely pleased with this important milestone achieved together with BART, in which the excellence of 'Made in Italy' in high rail technology plays a key role.*"

Link to video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GHa1Si7CW8Q>