

In the mid eighties, GO Transit was looking to replace its aging locomotive fleet with a specially designed locomotive that could meet the growing demands for service across the Greater Toronto Area. The locomotive needed to be able to quickly accelerate while pulling up to 10 of the new Hawker-Siddeley/UTDC BiLevel coaches, and to save on fuel, power them with a separate HEP generator.

In close consultation with GO Transit, GMD developed the F59PH. Equipped with a turbocharged 12-cylinder two-stroke diesel prime mover (12-710G3A), a full-width North American comfort cab, with HEP provided by a smaller 600hp GM 8-cylinder diesel.

In 1988, GMD delivered the first sixteen F59PH units to GO Transit. They were numbered 520 to 535 and given a class designation of GCE-430g. Over the next 6 years, GMD delivered an additional 33 units to GO Transit, with some improvements, including a larger fuel tank and different rear grille arrangement. In 1994, the final four units were delivered to GO, but were very quickly sold to Dallas' Trinity Railway Express by the cashstrapped Ontario government. Other surplus locomotives were leased to West Coast Express in British Columbia and Metrolink in California.

Due to the success of the locomotives with GO Transit, Metrolink in California placed an order for 22 F59PHs, which were delivered between 1992 and 1993. Metrolink would later lease an additional 3 units in 2018 from LTEX, to allow for PTC upgrades to be made to their own units. These are ex. GO units.

In 2007, GO Transit began retiring its fleet of F59PHs and replacing them with the MPI MP40PH-3C. Many were sold to other railroads, including AMT, Metra, NCDOT, and RB Railway Group. However, GO still has several units in service to supplement the new fleet of MP40PHs and MP54ACs.

Model Features

- Scaled from field measurements and blueprints
- End metal handrails with plastic stanchions
- Prototype-specific details
- Incredible underframe detail including traction motor cables and other piping, and a ridiculous number of separately-applied parts
- Etched-metal grilles and separate, stamped-metal grab irons
- Full cab interior
- · Heavy, die-cast chassis with Rapido's proven and improved silky-smooth drive
- · Operating headlights, rear light, and ditch lights
- Operating ground lights and step lights
- Tri-colour class lights (white, green, red) or red markers, equipped as appropriate
- DCC/Sound units come equipped with an ESU LokSound decoder

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CANADA

DC/SILENT (DCC READY)

DC/DCC/Sound

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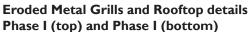
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F59PH









Highly-detailed underbody pipes, tanks, hoses, conduit and trucks



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Metrolink (Stripe Scheme)

Metrolink (Ribbon Scheme)

19016

19017

19018

19019

19020

19022

19023

DC

19025



GO Transit - Phase I (As-delivered)

DC	DC/DCC/Sound	Road #
19001	19501	520
19002	19502	524
19003	19503	528
19004	19504	535





DC/DCC/Sound

19519

19520

DC/DCC/Sound

19516

19517

19518

Road #

857

859

868

Road #

853

860

Road #

526

530

Road #

120

121



In

Danger!

GO Transit - Phase 2 (Late)

	DC	DC/DCC/Sound	•	Road #
	19005	19505		557
	19006	19506		559
	19007	19507		561
	19008	19508		564







GO Transit - Special Logo

DC	•	DC/DCC/Sound	Road #
19009		19509	527





19024 19524 532

DC/DCC/Sound

19525

19526

Montreal (3 stripe Scheme) DC/DCC/S

19522

19523

TRE - Lone Star (Solid Blue)



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Metra - Blue Vignette*

	DC		DC/DCC/Sound	Road #
	19010		19510	97
	19011		19511	98
	19012		19512	99







Metrolink - As-delivered (Periwinkle)

DC		DC/DCC/30und	NOAU #	
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190	015	19515	873	

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Ex-GO Lease (No logos or numbers)

DC	•	DC/DCC/Sound	Road #	•
19028		19528	unnumbered	

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