The Darwin Bus Service has the highest proportion of airconditioned and easy access buses of all government fleets in Australia.

Mr Vatskalis said the new buses show the Labor Government's commitment to accessible, comfortable public transport.

"This Government is working on making our public transport system one of the finest in Australia," Mr Vatskalis said.

"We are committed to public transport being accessible and comfortable.

"The addition of these three buses also takes the average age of the Darwin bus fleet to about seven years, one of the lowest figures in Australia."

Mr Vatskalis said the three Volvo buses, manufactured in Melbourne by Volgren, were driven to Darwin in four-and-a-half days by three DBS employees.

"And I am told the buses, which were painted in DBS colours, attracted a lot of attention," Mr Vatskalis said.

"The drivers said that in Victoria and South Australia, they could have easily filled the buses several times with people asking for a ride to Darwin."

The buses are powered by a 10-litre, six-cylinder turbo-charged Euro3 engine which puts out 245hp at 2000rpm. They have fully automatic gearboxes and can seat 70 passengers and two wheelchairs.

DBS has a bus replacement strategy up until 2017. The strategy is updated every three years to allow for changes in technology and requirements.