April 18, 2007

Mr. Thomas Savage, President
MTA Bus Company
128-15 28th Avenue
Flushing, NY 11354

RE: PTSB CASE #8911

Dear Mr. Savage:

The Public Transportation Safety Board received notice of a multiple injury bus accident involving the MTA Bus Company, which occurred on Wanser Avenue at Lord Avenue, Inwood, NY, on April 13, 2006.

Based on the enclosed Close Out Report, no further action is necessary.

Sincerely,

Brian O. Rowback
Executive Director
Public Transportation Safety Board

Enclosure
ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION: At approximately 1:45 pm, MTA Bus Company (MTA Bus) bus #8215 was traveling westbound on Wanser Avenue with a minimum initial speed of 16 mph, when an auto moving out from a drive way failed to yield the right-of-way to the bus and entered his path. In an attempt to prevent a collision the bus driver swerved to the right and applied the brakes. However, the left front of the bus struck the right front side of the auto. The bus driver and 11 bus passengers claimed various injuries, were transported to local hospitals, treated and released. The drug and alcohol test administered to the bus driver 5 hours and 10 minutes after the accident was negative. The delay in administering the drug and alcohol test was due to the bus driver being transported to a local hospital and treated. The bus and the bus driver records were reviewed and found to be in order and up-to-date. According to the investigation, the PTSB staff concluded that the bus driver was driving defensively but was unable to prevent this accident.

IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE BUS PROPERTY INVOLVED IN THIS ACCIDENT DID NOT CONTRIBUTE TO THE CAUSE OF THE ACCIDENT.

SUBMITTAL

THE ABOVE ACCIDENT HAS BEEN INVESTIGATED AND MEETS ALL OF THE CONDITIONS IDENTIFIED IN PTSB RESOLUTION #1340 AND REQUIRES NO FURTHER ACTION.