PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
CLOSE OUT BUS ACCIDENT REPORT

BUS PROPERTY NAME: MTA-NYCT
CRITERIA CODE: Mechanical Failure
DATE/TIME: August 7, 2006; 09:38 AM
DATE REPORTED: August 7, 2006
VEHICLES INVOLVED: 1
NUMBER OF FATALITIES: 0
TYPE OF BUS: Orion
OTHER: NA

CASE NUMBER: 9062
TYPE OF ACCIDENT: Fire
Accident Severity Index: 0
TIME REPORTED: 10:19 AM
NUMBER OF INJURIES: 0
BUS NUMBER: 6524
PASSENGERS: 8
OCCUPANTS: NA

ACCIDENT LOCATION: Lorimer Street and Montrose Ave., Brooklyn
ROADWAY TYPE: Asphalt
SPEED LIMIT: 30
TRAFFIC CONTROL: Signal
ROAD CONDITIONS: Dry
LIGHT CONDITIONS: Daylight
WEATHER: Clear
INVESTIGATOR: M. Palanker
SUMMONS: None
HOURS OF SERVICE: NA

ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION: On August 7, 2006, at approximately 9:38 am, MTA-NYCT bus #6524 was moving on Lorimore Street near Montrose Avenue when the driver noticed smoke and flames coming from the left side of the rear of the bus. The bus operator evacuated the bus, activated the on board suppression system and called for assistance. FDNY extinguished the fire within several minutes. There were no injuries and the bus sustained extensive damage. The cause of the fire was determined to be a failed internal fuel injector, a non-maintenance item, which allowed raw fuel to enter the exhaust and combust.

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 REQUIRE NO FURTHER ACTION.

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CHIEF, ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION SECTION

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DIRECTOR, PCSB, NYS DOT

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