ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION: At approximately 6:46 pm, an MTA Long Island Bus (LIB) #334 was traveling in the #1 travel lane westbound on Hillside Avenue when a motorcyclist moving eastbound in the opposite direction was unable to control his motorcycle due to a high rate of speed. The motorcyclist entered the path of the bus. In an attempt to prevent a collision, the bus driver swerved to the left and applied the brakes. However, the motorcycle struck the bus head on. The motorcycle tilted over its front wheel and broke through the right front panel of the bus. The motorcyclist was pronounced dead at the scene. The drug and alcohol test administered to the bus driver 2 hours and 9 minutes after the accident was negative. The delay in administering the drug and alcohol test was due to the bus driver being detained at the accident scene for the purpose of investigation. The bus and bus driver records were reviewed and found to be in order and up-to-date. The bus sustained moderate damage with extensive damage to the motorcycle. At the close of the investigation, PTSB staff concluded the bus driver was unable to prevent involvement in the collision.

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.

CHIEF, ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION SECTION

DIRECTOR, PCSB, NYSDOT