BUS PROPERTY NAME: Capital District Transportation Authority
CRITERIA CODE: Mechanical Failure
DATE/TIME: June 30, 2008 at 4:02 pm

DATE REPORTED: June 30, 2008
VEHICLES INVOLVED: 1
NUMBER OF FATALITIES: None
TYPE OF BUS: 1998 Orion VI

ACCIDENT LOCATION: 20 Mall Guilderland.
ROADWAY TYPE: Asphalt
TRAFFIC CONTROL: Yield Sign
LIGHT CONDITIONS: Daylight
SUMMONS: None
HOURS OF SERVICE: Not Related
INVESTIGATOR: Mike Gluskin

ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION: At approximately 4:02 pm, the operator of CDTA bus #2052 was departing the Twenty Mall when the bus operator noticed smoke coming from the left rear side of the bus. Simultaneously, the fire alarm activated. The operator shut the bus down, secured the bus, and evacuated the seven passengers to a safe location. There were no reported injuries. The operator called 911 and dispatch. The local police and fire departments responded to the scene. The bus was not equipped with a fire suppression system. The bus was transported on a flat bed to CDTA maintenance facility at the Albany Division and secured. Bus and bus driver records were reviewed and found to be complete, in-order and up to date. A post accident drug and alcohol test was not administered to the bus operator due to the nature of the incident. A post fire inspection was performed on July 2, 2008, with the PTSB staff and CDTA maintenance staff. Due to the extensive damage to the engine compartment, the cause of this fire was unable to be determined.

DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES REGARDING THIS INVESTIGATION IT HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED WHETHER THE BUS PROPERTY INVOLVED IN THIS ACCIDENT CONTRIBUTED 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			DATE

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DIRECTOR, PCSB, NYSDOT			DATE