PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
CLOSE OUT BUS ACCIDENT REPORT

BUS PROPERTY NAME: NFTA
CRITERIA CODE: Multiple Injury
DATE/TIME: August 21, 2008 at 11:37 am

DATE REPORTED: August 21, 2008
VEHICLES INVOLVED: 3
NUMBER OF FATALITIES: 0
TYPE OF BUS: 2001 Gillig
OTHER: 2006 Chevy, 1994 Cadillac

CASE NUMBER: 9868
TYPE OF ACCIDENT: Collision
ACCIDENT SEVERITY INDEX: .15

DATE REPORTED: August 21, 2008
TIME REPORTED: 12:45 pm
VEHICLES INVOLVED: 3
NUMBER OF INJURIES: 5
BUS NUMBER: 2127

NUMBER OF FATALITIES: 0
PASSengers: 5
OCCUPANTS: 2

ACCIDENT LOCATION: Bailey Avenue & Genesee Street
ROADWAY TYPE: Asphalt
SPEED LIMIT: 30 mph

TRAFFIC CONTROL: Traffic Signal
ROAD CONDITIONS: Dry
WEATHER: Clear

LIGHT CONDITIONS: Daylight
SUMMONS: Yes (Vehicle #1)
HOURS OF SERVICE: 8 hrs last 24 hrs/44 hrs in the last 7 days
INVESTIGATOR: Mike Gluskin

ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION: Vehicle #1 (2006 Chevy) was traveling eastbound on Genesee Street approaching Bailey Avenue. Vehicle #1 failed to stop for a red light and collided with vehicle #2 (1994 Cadillac) which had entered the intersection traveling southbound on Bailey Avenue. After the impact vehicle #1 continued eastbound and struck vehicle #3 (Metro Bus) which had just departed the bus stop. The bus and bus driver records were reviewed and found to be complete, in order, and up-to-date. The NFTA Transit Police, and Buffalo Fire Department responded to the scene. The bus operator and two passengers, and both drivers of vehicles #1 and #2 were transported to local hospitals, treated for minor injuries and released. A post accident drug and alcohol test was administered to the bus driver 1.9 hours after the accident. The results were negative. The driver of vehicle #1 was issued three uniform traffic tickets. The PTSB staff determined that the bus operator could not have avoided the 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.

CHIEF, ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION SECTION

DIRECTOR, PCSB, NYS DOT