

# Winthrop Routes 712/713

**Update** 

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# MBTA Bus Operations and Maintenance: Expansion Service Model

# MBTA contracting with private bus company to run Winthrop routes 712/713

- Winthrop service has been contracted out by MBTA since 1991
- Private contractor (Paul Revere) has traditionally run service using own fleet

# New model mirrors national best practices for contracted bus service

 MBTA will provide 6 New Flyer buses to private contractor to operate and maintain



MBTA to provide 6 New Flyer Xcelsior XDE40 FT buses

- Service Level Agreements govern performance and maintenance
- Private company employees operate and maintain buses
- Contract runs for 4 years with up to 2 option years
- Fixed price contract caps costs at 2% annual growth over contract period

# Consistent with the L589 12/19 agreement, the MBTA can utilize this model for all expansion bus service in the future

- Contract terms provide cost stability
- Assets are owned by MBTA while operated and maintained by private company



## **Scope of Work and Service Information**

## **SCOPE OF WORK:**

- Contractor will provide full operation and maintenance of MBTA-owned vehicles for Routes 712/713
- For the first time, MBTA will provide six (6) new 40FT hybrid diesel/electric buses to contractor
  - Same New Flyer buses recently put into operation out of MBTA's Cabot garage
- Contract Length: FY2018-FY2021 (4 years) with two (2) one-year option years

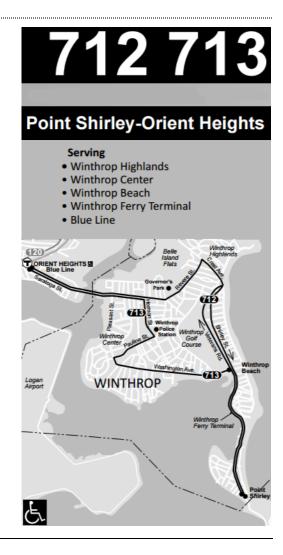
### **SERVICE INFO:**

Number of Buses: 6

• Annual Revenue Hours: 18,115

Annual Revenue Hour per Bus: 3,019

• Ridership (FY2016): 735,390 passengers





## **Service Level Agreements and Maintenance Requirements**

## **SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS:**

- Penalties will be assessed for "missed trips", defined as the vehicle never arriving or arriving more than 30 minutes after the scheduled pick-up time
- Amount of penalty will be equal to twice the contractor's per trip rate (daily rate divided by # of trips that day, times 2)
- Contractor responsible for providing weekly list of missed trips

### **MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

- Facility: contractor responsible for providing maintenance facility within 10 miles of the route
- Experience: lead mechanic applicants hired will have a minimum of 5 years maintaining heavy duty buses (a master technician with ASE certification is required); supporting mechanics will have at least 1 year of experience
- Other Requirements: adhere to MBTA-authorized PM schedules, adhere to all OEM standards, and allow for bi-annual audits by MBTA staff

Source: MBTA RFP No. 140-16



# Maintenance Requirements: Stringent Requirements Governing Facilities, Employees and Maintenance Practices

#### **FACILITY**



- Maintenance facility must be within 10 miles of routes
- Contractor required to maintain and garage buses at this facility
- MBTA reserves right to inspect buses at this facility at any time

### **EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING**



- Lead mechanic(s) must have minimum 5 years' experience maintaining heavy duty buses
- A master technician with ASE certification is required
- Supporting mechanics must have at least 1 year experience
- Trainer staff required to attend MBTA training modules on BAE hybrid propulsion, Cummins engines, Multiplex, etc.

#### SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS



Failure to

comply with

standards will

result in "heftv

fines and

sanctions"

- ✓ Daily circle checks
- ✓ MBTA-authorized preventative maintenance (PM) schedules
- ✓ Adherence to all OEM requirements
- ✓ Electronic record-keeping in MIS system
- Monthly technical and engineering inspections
- ✓ Bi-annual maintenance audits by MBTA staff
- ✓ No body damage greater than 1" in length or that inhibits safe vehicle operation
- ✓ Passenger area free from excessively worn floor or broken seats
- √ Functioning heating and A/C
- ✓ Annual emission/opacity inspections
- ✓ Wheelchair ramp maintenance and performance
- ✓ Minimum 2 weeks parts inventory

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## **Maintenance Requirements:**

## **Private Operator Must Adhere To All Specified OEM Standards For New Buses**



## **MBTA - BOSTON**

**SERVICE MANUAL** 

**XCELSIOR® DIESEL-ELECTRIC 40FT. TRANSIT BUS** 



This service manual is effective for only those coaches with the following Identification Numbers:

- Preventative Maintenance
- Front Axle & Suspension
- ✓ Rear Axle & Suspension
- Steering System
- ✓ Engine System
- ✓ Hybrid Drive System
- ✓ Cooling System
- ✓ Fuel System
- Air System
- ✓ Electric System
- ✓ HVAC System
- ✓ Structures & Chassis
- ✓ Interior Panels & Applied Parts
- ✓ Exterior Panels & Applied Parts
- Windows
- Access Doors & Panels
- ✓ Entrance & Exit Doors
- ✓ Seating & Stanchions
- ✓ Destination Signs
- ✓ Driver's Controls
- ✓ Wheelchair Ramps

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# Maintenance Requirements: Private Operator To Use Daily/Weekly/Monthly Checklists Specified By OEM

### **DAILY CHECKLIST**



#### **Daily Preventive Maintenance**

**NEW FLYER** 

2.6.6. Floor Covering

### **⚠** CAUTION

DO NOT clean the vehicle interior with pressure washing equipment. This type of cleaning causes excessive soaking of the floor covering and can result in separation of the rubber floor covering from the floor substrate, warping or deterioration of the floor substrate, and possible damage to floor mounted equipment such as floor heaters.

Inspect the interior flooring for cleanliness on a regular basis depending on operating conditions. Exposure to salt, sand, or slush during the winter months may require

#### 2.6.7. Crankcase Breather Tube

Check breather tube for kinks, dents, or other damage. Also check inside of tube for sludge, debris, or ice formation (in freezing conditions). Clean or replace tube as required

#### 2.6.8. Aftertreatment Exhaust Piping

Inspect exhaust aftertreatment system for leaks cracks, and loose connections. Inspect for leaks at V-band connections and tighten clamps as necessary.

#### 2.6.9. Air Intake Piping

Inspect air intake tubes and hoses, for evidence of wear, punctures, or other dam-

### **WEEKLY CHECKLIST**



#### NEW FLYER

#### **Weekly Preventive Maintenance**

#### 2.7. Weekly Preventive Maintenance

#### 2.7.1. Radiator

Test the function of the fan reverse switch and LED indicator on a weekly basis or any time service work is being performed in the engine compartment. Operating the fan reverse switch will not only clear debris from the radiator core, but will also confirm operation of the LED indicator which is used to display diagnostic fault codes. If any active fault codes are indicated, refer to Section 6 of this manual for trouble-shooting and vendor information.

- Ensure that the support arm magnet contacts and retains the support arm. Adjust magnet position as required
- Ensure that the support arm hooks pull out smoothly, stop at the stop screw, slide easily into the stowed position, and self stow on the magnet when released.
- Check the pivot bolt assemblies to ensure they are tight.
- Check pivot bolt bronze oilite bushings for wear or cracks. Replace as necessary.
- Check that all mounting bracket fasteners are tight, including the hardware for the

### MONTHLY CHECKLIST



#### Monthly Preventive Maintenance

#### 2.8.2. Air Tanks

It is recommended that all air tanks be drained monthly and a record of the contents collected be recorded. Performing these inspections on a regular basis will establish trend monitoring to assess the performance of the compressor (excessive oil passing) and air dyer (saturated desiccant cartridge).

The following factors can influence that amount of water collected and should be taken into consideration before making an assessment:

- An outside air source was used to charge the system and did not pass through the eir dover.
- Exceptionally high air usage, exceeding 25% compressor duty cycle due to either heavy accessory demand or system leakage
- □ Daily temperature range exceeds 30°F (17°C) resulting in condensation. Under these conditions the presence of small amounts of moisture is normal and should not be considered as an indication that the air driver is not functioning properly.

#### NOTE:

A small amount of oil in the system is not unusual and should not be considered a reason to replace the desiccant cartridge. Oil stained desiccant can function ade-

- 5. Evaluate volume collected as follows:
  - a. More than one unit of oil in a 30 day period will require the desiccant cartridges to be changed and is considered cause for further inspection of the air compressor. Worn pistons or rings will allow oil bypass and may require repair if amount of oil bypassed is excessive. Also inspect compressor discharge line for excessive carbon building.
  - More than one unit of water or emulsion will be cause to conduct an air system leakage test. Refer to Section 8 of this Service Manual for procedure.
- More than five units of water in a 30 day period indicates unsatisfactory air dryer performance. Replace air dryer desiccant cartridges.

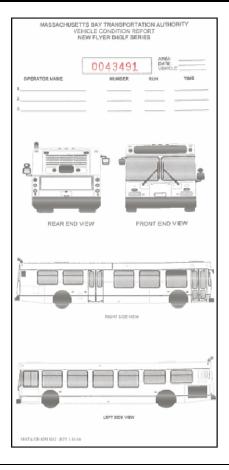
#### 2.8.3. Fire Suppression System

- Open access door behind streetside light panel, opposite the exit door, to access gauge. See "Fig. PM-1: Fire Suppression Cylinder Inspection" on page 19.
- Check pressure gauge on agent cylinder to ensure it is in the operating (green) range.
- Check all nameplates and instructional labels for legibility.
- Check physical condition of all components for mechanical damage and security of mounting.



# **Maintenance Requirements: Private Operator Must Use MBTA-Authorized Inspection Forms**

### **DAILY CIRCLE CHECK FORM**



Operators must perform routine safety check before bringing bus into service

### **MBTA PM INSPECTION FORM**

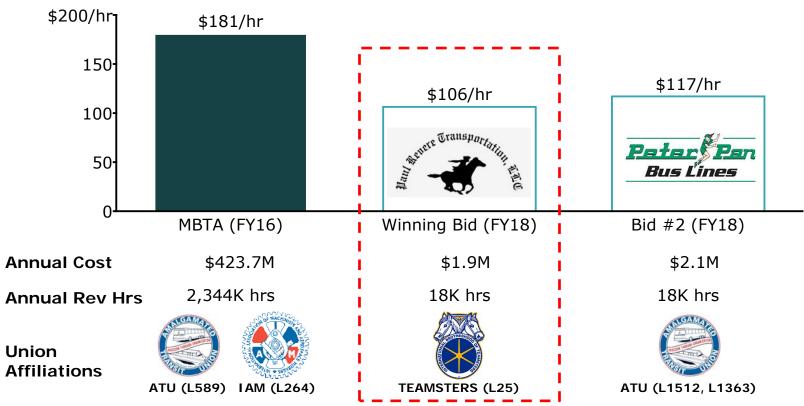
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## Best Value Bid Was Paul Revere at \$106 Per Revenue Hour

## Total Cost per Revenue Hour



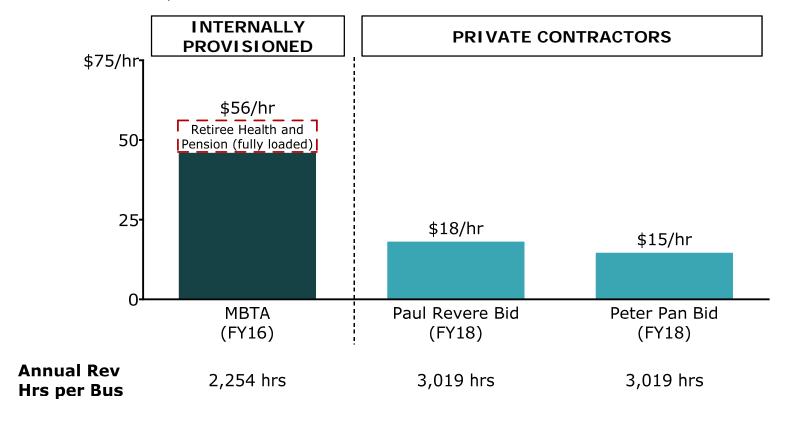
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## Lifecycle maintenance Costs New Flyer Xcelsior Diesel-Electric 40 Ft. Transit Bus

Maintenance Cost per Revenue Hour

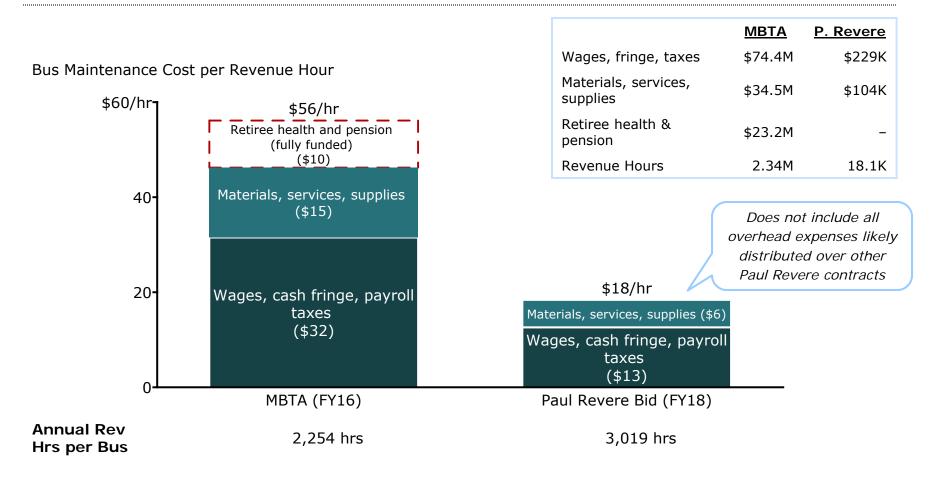


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# **Contracted operations-maintenance model: Budget Certainty and Fixed Pricing**

## **Benefits of Contracted Service:**

- Bus service costs will grow at 2% annually (vs. historical 4-5% MBTA bus cost growth)
- Provides budget certainty and predictability
- "Not to exceed" provision means contractor bears financial risk
- Aligns costs with MBTA's own long-term cost targets (below 2% annual growth) and closer to historical revenue growth



Source: MBTA Internal Data