



Customer Services, Operations, and Safety Committee

Board Action/Information Item IV-A

September 13, 2007

Recent Events

**Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority
Board Action/Information Summary**

Action
 Information

MEAD Number:

Resolution:
 Yes No

PURPOSE

To provide the Committee an update on the August 26 and August 27 Metrorail incidents affecting service.

DESCRIPTION

Overview of the incidents and their locations that disrupted Metrorail revenue service on August 26 and August 27. Nature of the problems and the immediate solutions implemented to date.

FUNDING IMPACT

None

RECOMMENDATION

None



Recent Events

Presented to the Board of Directors:

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August 26, 2007





August 26, 2007 Incidents

10 Incidents

- 2 Insulator Fires (Farragut North⁷ & Huntington⁸)
- 1 Bolt Smoking¹ (Mt. Vernon Square)
- 1 Train Control Room Fire² (National Airport)
- 2 Trains Lost Power (Braddock Road³ & between Pentagon/Pentagon City⁵)
 - 1 Smoke From Locked Brakes in Pentagon Disabled Train Closed Farragut West¹⁰
- 2 Offloads (King Street⁴ & Pentagon⁶)
- 1 Shuttle Bus Fire⁹ (Between Dupont & Metro Center)



August 27, 2007



August 27, 2007 Incidents

10 Incidents

- 5 Trains Lose Power (Pentagon City¹, Braddock Road/National Airport³, National Airport⁷ & Pentagon^{8, 9})
- 1 Track Fire² (Pentagon City)
- 1 Interlocking Out of Service⁴ (Huntington)
- 1 Track Fire Arching Track Equipment⁵ (U Street)
- 1 Train Offload⁶ (Braddock Road to Push Disabled Train between Braddock/National Airport)
- 1 Fire in Ancillary Room¹⁰ (National Airport)



Status

- Immediate Solutions
 - Airport substation reconfigured 8/28 to improve power delivery
 - Trains are running at restricted speeds between Pentagon City/Braddock Road
 - Employees were stationed at each power substation in the area to monitor conditions.
 - Removed two old transformers 9/5
 - New transformers delivered to substation 9/6
- Interim Solutions (30 – 90 days)
- Long Term Solutions