Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Bus Procurement Status Update

Presented by Vehicle Technology Department



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60 Foot Option Order

- 30 buses have been delivered and accepted through this option order.
- Nine shells are still in the fabrication process in Budapest
- Remaining buses are in Anniston being assembled.
- All buses are on schedule to be delivered by June 30th 2007.



Gasoline Hybrids

- Staff held two Pre-proposal meetings to discuss styling differences and Hybrid system upgrades.
- The price submitted by New Flyer for this procurement was 35% higher than the base order provided to Long Beach Transit.
- Staff has countered proposed with a more reasonable price.



HCNG Project

- Four (4) test engines acquired by City Engines, currently undergoing base line testing.
- Preliminary results of the CNG version indicates a significant reduction of NOx emissions.
- HCNG version to be tested in mid November.
- Staff has met with fueling facility provider to ensure site plan at RRC is adequate for testing phase to start 3rd quarter 2007.



CARB ZEB FLEET RULE

- Roger Snoble's letter about ZEB was instrumental in CARB's decision to not to adopt the proposed revisions to Zero Emission Bus (ZEB) rules.
- Requirements to purchase ZEB's are now deferred until 2012 for alt. path and 2011 for diesel path agencies.
- No ZEB demonstration project will be required before purchases in 2012.
- MTA has offered to work with CARB staff on further refinements of ZEB regulations that will be up for reconsideration in 2009.

