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| **Metro’s 550 New Flyer Buses are Making Their Way to Metro by Way of the New Flyer Facility in Ontario, California** [New Flyer](http://newflyer.com/) opened a new bus service facility in Ontario, California earlier this year, creating more than 50 new local jobs. The facility helps to support delivery and maintenance service of the 550 buses ordered by Metro. The buses are built in the manufacturing plant in St. Cloud, Minnesota. Once they are approximately 80-90% complete, they make the 2,200-mile trek from St. Cloud to Ontario. The drive acts as a "breaking in" and helps New Flyer perform final testing and evaluation before the buses are sent into service. At the Ontario facility, buses undergo final build – i.e. the installation of seats, support rails and decals – testing and safety acceptance. They are then turned over to the operating agency. The facility has finished and delivered 66 buses already, many of them Metro buses that are already in service on the streets of Los Angeles. |
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