

Employees Get Sneak Peek



Metro Rapid Bus Takes a Bow at MTA Headquarters

Employees gathered in front of MTA Headquarters, Tuesday, to get their first look at a Metro Rapid bus. The 40-foot coach is a low-floor, CNG-powered vehicle with a simple hydraulic ramp for disabled patrons. Metro Rapid buses will seat 40 passengers. Two seats on either side of the aisle behind the operator fold up to accommodate two wheelchair patrons. Both doors open and close together when the operator activates them. Metro Rapid buses will be painted in distinctive red and white with special logos to distinguish them from other Metro Bus service. Metro Rapid buses will go into service, June 24, along the Whittier/Wilshire and Ventura Boulevard demonstration corridors. The buses will serve stations placed about a mile apart with headways varying from three to ten minutes, depending on time of day and line.

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