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MTA, ATU Reach Tentative Contract Agreement:

[Limited Metro Bus Service](#) Begins Monday night, Nov. 17;

[Limited Metro Rail Service](#) Begins Tuesday, Nov. 18.

- Full Metro Service to Resume within 72 Hours

MTA and the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU), which represents 2,800 active and retired mechanics, today announced that they reached a tentative contract agreement, ending a strike that began Oct. 14.

ATU members will meet Wednesday, Nov. 19, to vote on the pact. The tentative contract does not include an agreement on funding of the union's health trust fund. This issue will be the subject of a 90-day non-binding mediation/arbitration.

"I am extremely pleased that both sides were able to break the stalemate that created considerable hardship for nearly a half million transit riders, many of whom had few, if any, options to get to jobs, schools and medical appointments," said Zev Yaroslavsky, Los Angeles County Supervisor and MTA Board Chair. "It's time for MTA and its mechanics to get back to the business of serving our customers."

MTA anticipates full Metro Bus and Rail service to be restored within 72 hours.

Metro Bus Service

A limited amount of Metro Bus service began operating Monday night, Nov. 17. MTA will continue to add service as bus mechanics and operators return to duty. Contracted lifeline service will continue until it is replaced by regular Metro Bus service on each line.

Metro Rail Service

Limited Metro Rail service will begin Tuesday morning, Nov. 18. Metro Blue Line trains will resume operation at 7 a.m. between Willow Station and 7th St./Metro Center/Julian Dixon Station. Trains will operate every 15 minutes until 9 p.m.

Metro Red Line service between Union Station and North Hollywood also will operate every 15 minutes from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m. Trains will not be scheduled to Wilshire/Normandie Station or to Wilshire Western Station until further notice.

"The last 35 days have been extremely difficult for the people we are committed to serve, as well as for our valued employees," said Roger Snoble, MTA CEO. "We look forward to restoring service to our customers and the return of our employees."

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