

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

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PURPOSE

To request board approval to initiate and award a contract to replace an unsafe antiquated paint booth at the Service Vehicle Body Shop.

DESCRIPTION

This requirement provides for the procurement of a modern downdraft, climate-controlled automotive paint booth. The current booth is outdated and non-operational. Removal and replacement of the booth is required to improve quality standards and to minimize downtime to our customers.

Currently the Service Vehicle shop employees have to transport vehicles to the Bladensburg shop about five miles away to paint them. The extra man hours and impact on the Bladensburg Heavy Overhaul Shop's booth availability are serious problems both in terms of cost and downtime to our customers. The Service Vehicle Body Shop is responsible for almost 1700 vehicles and pieces of equipment and currently employs seven personnel in a building inherited from the Hechinger Company when WMATA acquired the Pennsy Drive Property.

Lastly the quality of paint repair has fallen far behind current technology. The new booth will meet the current painting standards including climate-controlled.

FUNDING IMPACT

BUDGET: Metro Matters Infrastructure Renewal Program - FY 2008

Project: Maintenance Facilities - Support Equipment, Other

FY08

Budget	\$1,340,014
Prior Actions	804,968
This Action	<u>150,000</u>
Remaining Budget	\$ 385,046

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend Board approval to initiate and award a contract to replace the non-operational antiquated Paint Booth at the Service Vehicle Body Shop.