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MTA Environmental Message

In recognition of Earth Day, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority today unveiled a new environmental educational message in all subway cars and buses operated by MTA New York City Transit

The "Transit Riders Save the Earth" message will remind our customers that because of the use of mass transit they are helping the environment, such as decreasing air pollution and vehicular congestion, by using the MTA's public transportation system.

Governor George E. Pataki said, "My administration has dedicated itself to improving the environment throughout the New York region. The MTA has continued its efforts to achieve this goal and improved the quality of life for all New Yorkers."

Using the MTA's Long Island and Metro-North commuter railroads also helps clean the planet. Each full rail car keeps 75 to 125 cars off the road every day.

The MTA Bridges and Tunnels' implementation of E-Z Pass electronic toll collection system at all its crossings has reduced idling times at toll booths, thereby also reducing vehicular emissions.