

# To Our New Haven Line Customers

**M8 Interior “Mock-Up” on Display May 21-22**



**A** mock-up of one-third of the interior of a new M-8 train car has arrived and will be on display at New Haven/Union Station at the following dates and times:

■ Wednesday, May 21, 4 PM – 7 PM

■ Thursday, May 22, 5 AM – 8 AM

The mock-up will also be made available to customers at Stamford Station and Grand Central Terminal. As soon as plans for those two locations are finalized, we will let you know.

The mock-up is 27 feet long by 11-1/2 feet high by 9-1/2 feet deep, and weighs 16,825 pounds. Inside this stainless steel box is a recreation of an M-8 interior, with its red, beige and yellow color scheme. Highlights include high-back seating, a distinctive vestibule area, luggage racks, bathroom, and other amenities.

The M-8 interior also features convenience outlets at every window seat, seat armrests in a loop style, and enhanced flip-down seating that easily and quickly converts to a spacious wheelchair area.

Customers will note the open, airy and bright feeling, thanks to improved lighting and addition of curves where possible, giving these cars a distinctive design identity.

After viewing the mock-up, customers will have the opportunity to fill out comment cards.

The M-8 prototypes are scheduled to arrive for testing the second half of 2009. The 300 cars in this contract will continue to arrive through mid-2012.

We are excited about this new era of rail service on the New Haven Line. Thank you for your continued patience.