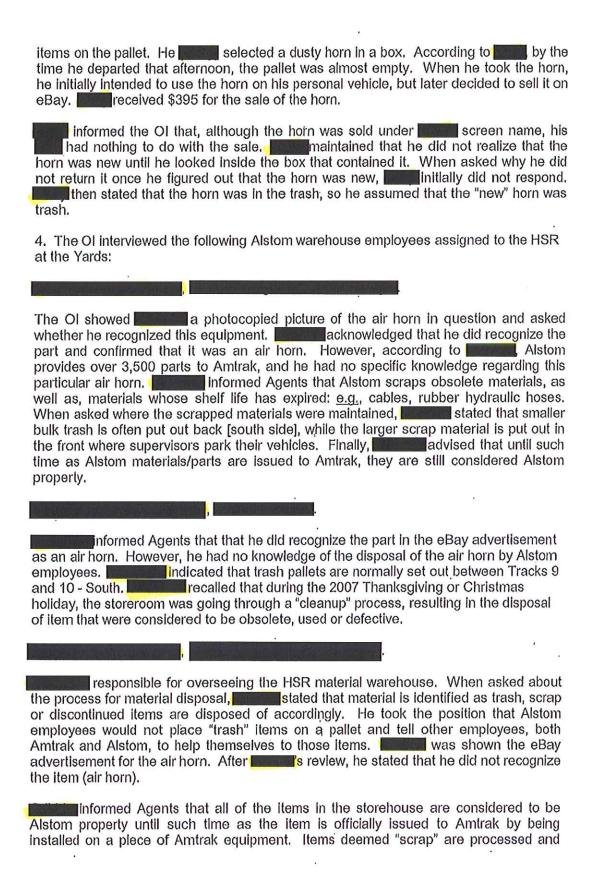
NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

INVESTIGATIVE COSING REPORT

| TITLE: Theft | CASE NUMBER: 07-136 |
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| DATE OF REPORT: May 6, 2008 | programmation and management |
| REPORT PREPARED BY: | LCLOSED |
| BACKGROUND | , |
| The Office of Inspector General ("OIG"), Office of allegation concerning the sale of an Acela Air Horn The OI confirmed that an Acela Air Horn was sold on residing in South Carolina. | on the internet cales site "eBay". |
| SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION | |
| The OI verified that a brand new Acela Air Horn was eBay sales name | s sold on eBay by using the |
| 2. The OI visited the Rockville Main Post Office ("Roc Washington Street, Rockville, MD 20850-9998." ascertain who was receiving main at | The purpose of the visit was to ekville Main database system was Supervisor of that two Individuals, |
| 3. A check of Amtrak's MySap system revealed that Amtrak's High Speed Rall ("HSR") facility at able to confirm that was spouse. | t sales a assigned to ards ("Yards"). The OI was also |
| 4. The OI interviewed regarding the allegation. reside at Bay screen name. | confirmed that he and is |
| Agents asked to describe the circumstances sure Acela horn. I stated that he primarily worked the 7: training (9/07 - 2/08) at the Yards. One day, pallet of items beelde the yard dumpster. The pallet a (not copper), switches, and other electronic items. I taking what they wanted from the pile. He although he could not specifically recall whether the stricems there indicated such. Not unlike everyone else. | at about noon, observed a appeared to contain rolls of wire observed that people were observed the items to be garbage, tockroom employee who put the |



| sent to Alstom's "V" Street location for disposal. provided a copy of the Alstom Scrap Policy. |
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| stated that his employees would not dispose of material or leave it out for other Amtrak or Alstom employees to pick through and take for personal use. Stated that if an item is destroyed and cannot be repaired, it is labeled scrap and disposed. Is not aware of any incident that occurred where Alstom employees took a pallet of material, wires and computer parts to a dock area and told Amtrak employees that they could help themselves to the items because said items were trash. |
| The OI showed the eBay Acela Air Horn sale. After reviewed the documents, he stated that he was familiar with the air horn. sure if the air horn is used on Amtrak trains. According to the air horn was thrown out, he should have known about it. |
| Grand Control of the |
| advised that he has been involved in a lot of storehouse clean ups at the HSR/Alstom Facility Storehouse since September 2007. While he does not recall seeing an air horn, he acknowledged the possibility that an item could have been mistakenly discarded during one of these clean up exercises. |
| 5. On March 27, 2008, the OI forwarded a Management Referral to |
| 6. On April 16, 2008, responded to the Ol's Management Referral. He agreed to amend Amtrak's current Asset Disposition Policy in light of the Ol's findings. |
| 7. On May 2, 2008, responded to the OI's Management Referral. Although, he declined to pursue any action against met with and discussed the gravity of the situation. |
| RECOMMENDATIONS |
| In light of the aforementioned facts, the writer recommends that this case be closed with no further action warranted. |
| Deputy Inspector General/Counsel: |

