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All obsolete rolling stock will be retired from the Penn Central main line commuter service between Trenton, New Jersey and New York City as a result of a \$10,200,000 grant to the New Jersey Department of Transportation, Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe announced today.

The Federal grant, made by the Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration, will cover two-thirds the cost of 45 new electric self-propelled railroad passenger cars. They will be assigned by the State to the commuter service operated between Trenton and the Penn Central Station at 34th Street in New York City.

A previous UMTA grant made possible the purchase of 35 similar railroad cars.

"The new equipment will afford improvement of service, dependability, travel time and passenger comfort," Secretary Volpe said.

"Because of the greater capacity of the new railroad cars," he said, "there will be a reduction of fleet requirements and a lower operating cost should result."

Major points served along the Penn Central route are Princeton Junction, New Brunswick and Newark.

To be served also is a "Park and Ride" passenger station now under construction in Woodbridge, adjacent to the Garden State Parkway.

The project has received funding from the Federal Railroad and Federal Highway Administrations of the Department of Transportation and is scheduled to open for service in 1971.

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