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Metro-North is Your Key to Freedom This Independence Day Holiday Tuesday July 3 and Wednesday July 4, 2007

Independence Day falls on a Wednesday this year but that won't stop people from making an early getaway on Tuesday and Metro-North is here to help.

The railroad will operate 10 extra getaway trains between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. for people leaving work early on Tuesday July 3. In conjunction with this early rush hour, five regularly scheduled late PM peak trains will not operate.

On Wednesday July 4, when financial markets and banks are closed, a Sunday schedule will operate. To accommodate people going to the fireworks there will be two extra inbound trains and 5 additional outbound trains after the fireworks. All extra and cancelled trains are shown in the public timetable.

There also will be extra train service for people returning to New York City from Rye Playland on July 4th. Between 7:46 p.m. and 12:18 a.m., there will be half-hourly inbound local service. This service is not in the timetable; special timetables have been distributed to Rye Playland, Westchester County DOT and the MN New Haven Line stations between Fordham and Rye.

Metro-North's connecting services have made similar service adjustments for early getaways on Tuesday evening July 3rd:

The Hudson Rail Link will have a peak level of buses beginning with the 3:20 p.m. train from Grand Central.

The Tappan Zee Express will keep spare buses available for any overflow traffic.

The Haverstraw-Ossining Ferry will have an extra early ferry meet the 2:58pm train from Grand Central. The 6:20 p.m. train to Ossining will not operate, therefore there is no ferry connection.

The Newburgh-Beacon Ferry will provide extra early ferries to meet the following trains from Grand Central: the 2:51p.m., 3:27 p.m., and 4:05 p.m. trains, as noted in published timetables. The 5:29 p.m. express train to Beacon does not operate. The ferry will instead meet the combined 5:32 p.m. train to Beacon.

Also on July 3, the Wassaic - Berkshire Bus will operate extra service meeting these two trains from GCT: the 5:19 p.m. and the 7:52 p.m.

On Wednesday July 4th, no connecting services will operate, except the Berkshire Bus, which will meet New York-bound trains with departures from Great Barrington at 4:45 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.