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SERVICE ADVISORY MTA Staten Island Railway Service for Thanksgiving Day Holiday

MTA Staten Island Railway (SIR) officials today announced their "Get-A-Way" service plan for the upcoming Thanksgiving Day holiday. On Wednesday, November 26, SIR customers can take advantage of the early departure service to begin their four-day Thanksgiving weekend. Express train service will begin at 2:31 p.m. out of St. George Terminal, and there will be one express train and one local train awaiting every boat until 7:50 p.m. This amounts to twice as much regular service, two hours ahead of schedule. Customers using the express trains will have a faster ride home, while local train riders should have a more comfortable ride on less crowded trains.

On Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27th, SIR trains will run on a weekend schedule, while on Friday, November 28th, trains will run on a regular weekday schedule.

According to John Gaul, Chief Officer of SIR, "This Get-A-Way service plan has proven to be extremely popular among our customers, and we will continue to find innovative ways to improve service." The "Get-A-Way" service plan on SIR is also available on the Friday before Memorial Day weekend, the day before July 4th, the Friday before Labor Day, Christmas Eve, and New Year's Eve.

Customers may call our Travel Information Center at 718-330-1234 from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily, or log onto www.tripplanner.mta.info to use Trip Planner to plan their trips. Customers with web enabled phones or PDAs can use our Trip Planner On-the-Go! by going to www.tripplanner.mta.info/mobile; in addition to planning their trips, Blackberry users can download the free icon for one touch access to the service.