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MTA LIRR Ronkonkoma Branch Early-Morning Service Affected by Rail Inspections Oct. 9

Buses Replace Early-Morning Trains

The MTA Long Island Rail Road will provide bus service in place of early-morning trains on the Ronkonkoma Branch on Saturday, October 9, 2010 as track inspections are made by the Sperry Rail Car. Customers on four eastbound and four westbound early-morning trains between Farmingdale and Ronkonkoma will be affected.

Eastbound: Customers on the 12:14 AM, 1:16 AM, 2:53 AM and 4:43 AM trains from Penn Station to Ronkonkoma will transfer to buses at Hicksville for travel to stations Wyandanch through Ronkonkoma. Bethpage and Farmingdale customers will stay on these trains to their stations.

Westbound: Customers on the 12:44 AM, 2:10 AM, 3:45 AM and 5:40 AM trains from Ronkonkoma will board buses at their stations Ronkonkoma through Wyandanch and transfer to train at Hicksville to complete their trips. Bethpage and Farmingdale customers will board their normally scheduled trains at their stations.

Customers should expect up to 36 minutes additional travel time.

The Sperry Rail Car, a bright yellow vehicle fitted with ultrasonic and induction test equipment, is designed to detect internal rail defects not readily visible to the eye. Defects that are found will be corrected immediately by a crew of LIRR track maintenance workers. The Sperry Rail Car is used twice a year to inspect approximately 500 miles of LIRR track.

For additional travel information, customers can contact the LIRR's Travel Information Center in Suffolk County at 631-231-LIRR, in Nassau County at 516-822-LIRR or in New York City at 718-217-LIRR. The Travel Information Center's TDD telephone number for the hearing impaired is 718-558-3022. Customers can also consult the LIRR's website at www.mta.info.