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Brooklyn Local Bus Service Changes B2, B3, B4, B7, B8, B9, B11, B12, B13, B16, B23, B24, B31, B37, B39, B45, B48, B51, B57, B64, B65, B67, B71, B75, B77 & Q24

As part of the 2010 service reductions to help close an approximately \$800 million budget deficit, we are eliminating some bus routes and restructuring others in Brooklyn effective June 27, 2010. We regret the inconvenience these reductions may cause to some of our customers, but please note that we have made every effort to affect the fewest number of riders while concurrently improving the cost-efficiency of our service.

The B23, B37, B39, B51, B71, B75 & B77 routes are being entirely discontinued; a rerouted B70 and other routes will partially provide alternative service. Some segments of the B3, B8, B12, B13, B48, B64, & Q24 routes will be discontinued. Weekend service is being discontinued on the B2, B24 & B69 routes, while overnight service will be discontinued on the B7, B31, B45, B57, B64, B65 & B67 routes. Late night and/or early morning service will be reduced on the B2, B9, B11, B13, B16, B24 & B69 routes.

Further to our restructuring, the B4 will be rerouted and modified to operate during rush hours only. The B1 & B64 will swap routes. The B57 & B61 routes will be extended and the B69 service rerouted to replace discontinued routes.

In the past month, peach-colored notices were inserted in Guide-A-Rides at stand-alone bus stops that will be completely eliminated, while yellow-colored inserts were placed at bus stops that will remain but are either adding or losing a route. We hope that our customers have been paying attention to these notices.

A detailed explanation of these reductions/restructurings is available on our website at www.mta.info; click on NYC Transit and click on the 'Plan Ahead' Special Service Notice.

Customers may also read the posters and brochures displayed and distributed throughout the system, or call NYC Transit's Travel Information Center at 718-330-1234 from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.