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### The Newburgh-Beacon Ferry Resumes Operations Wednesday

The Newburgh-Beacon Ferry will resume normal operations tomorrow, Wednesday March 10, 2010.

Ferry service was suspended January 4 due to heavy icing in the Hudson River. Ice floes subsequently damaged the floating dock in Newburgh. All repairs have now been completed.

During the outage, Metro-North established a bus shuttle service to connect the Newburgh dock and the Beacon train station to serve West of Hudson customers who take the train to work in New York City.

"After one of the most difficult winters in recent memory, complete with crushing ice floes and two months of bus service in lieu of a boat, we are pleased that service is now resuming for our Newburgh-Beacon Ferry customers," said Metro-North President Howard Permut. "We hope customers return swiftly to this much-favored means of commuting."

It was the longest outage since the ferry service began in 2005. Ferry service is provided by New York Waterway under contract to Metro-North. The boat, **The West New York**, makes six trips to Beacon in the morning and eight from Beacon to Newburgh in the evening. It is a peak-only, Monday through Friday service.

Before this disruption, the service was providing 400 rides a day and with advent of spring, the railroad is eager for those customers to return.