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MTA Metro-North Railroad Achieves What Everyone Desires: A Perfect Weekend

On Saturday, January 9 and Sunday, January 10, Metro-North ran 757 trains on three lines, Hudson, Harlem and New Haven east of the Hudson and every one of those trains operated with 100 percent on time performance. In addition, NJTRANSIT, our partner, operated 76 trains on our two lines, the Port Jervis and Pascack Valley west of the Hudson, also with 100 percent on time performance.

Making the achievement more significant, this perfect weekend occurred with bitter cold temperatures reaching down into the single digits, which poses numerous problems for trains, tracks, and power supplies.

"This perfect weekend is the result of lots of hard work by every department – from Operations to Mechanical, from Track to Power," said Metro-North President Howard Permut. "We are off to a great start in 2010 after last year's record-setting on-time performance of 97.84 percent."

This means that 97.84 percent of 211,351 trains operated on time in 2009 making last year the highest on-time performance ever with the most trains ever operated.

"This record-breaking achievement is the result of continued investment in our infrastructure, new and overhauled train cars, scheduling improvements and a dedicated workforce," Permut said.