



MTA Press Releases

[Select Language](#) | ▼

Press Release

September 29, 2011

LIRR

IMMEDIATE

LIRR Service Advisory: LIRR service between Penn Station and Jamaica resuming at 11:30 PM tonight

As a result of lightning strikes to crucial switching equipment in Jamaica earlier today, the LIRR's signal system controlling the operation of trains into and out of Jamaica is not fully functional. LIRR crews are restoring and testing signals on the east side of Jamaica Station to restore LIRR train service east of Jamaica. Service remains suspended between Jamaica and Penn stations and Atlantic Terminal and Jamaica Station, but is expected to be restored at 11:30 PM tonight. LIRR service is operating to and from Penn Station on the Port Washington Branch.

We appreciate the assistance of NYPD and FDNY during this evening's service emergency. Along with the MTA PD, they boarded trains, assisted customers with medical conditions and ensured customers remained calm and safely onboard stranded trains.

LIRR employees are continuing to work to identify the damage caused to the signal system from the lightning strikes and make repairs as quickly as possible.

Customers are advised that the signal issue at Jamaica will likely affect the morning rush hour service.

For the latest information on the LIRR's service and the impact on morning rush hour, customers should monitor the Current Service Status on the LIRR's website at www.mta.info or monitor LIRR service alerts via email. Customers can also contact the LIRR's Travel Information Center at 718-217-5477 (718-217-LIRR). If you are deaf or hard of hearing, use your preferred relay service provider or the free 711 relay to reach LIRR at 718-217-5477. affect morning rush hour service. In the event there is a curtailment of service, NYC Transit will cross honor LIRR monthly passes and tickets are Parsons Blvd - Archer Ave, Supthin Blvd - Archer Ave, Atlantic Ave - Pacific St.

For the latest information on the LIRR's service and the impact on morning rush hour, customers should monitor Service Status on the LIRR's website at www.mta.info or monitor LIRR service alerts via email. Customers can also contact the LIRR's Travel Information Center at 718-217-5477 (718-217-LIRR). If you are deaf or hard of hearing, use your preferred relay service provider or the free 711 relay to reach LIRR at 718-217-5477.