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IMMEDIATE

Buses Replace Midday Port Jefferson Branch Trains as Rail Inspection is Performed Wednesday & Thursday, April 27 & 28

The MTA Long Island Rail Road will provide bus service in place of midday trains between Huntington and Port Jefferson following the morning rush on Wednesday, April 27 and Thursday, April 28 while rail inspections are performed. Four eastbound and four westbound trains will be affected on April 27. Three eastbound and three westbound trains will be affected on April 28. Customers should allow up to 60 minutes additional travel time.

Wednesday, April 27, 2011

Eastbound

The 10:05 AM and 1:05 PM eastbound trains from Hicksville will terminate at Huntington and customers will transfer to buses to complete their trips. The 11:51 AM and the 2:51 PM trains from Huntington to Port Jefferson, will be replaced with bus service.

Customers should anticipate arriving at their destinations up to 25 minutes later than normal.

Westbound

The 10:10 AM, 1:10 PM and the 2:37 PM trains from Port Jefferson to Huntington will be canceled. Customers for these trains at stations Port Jefferson through Greenlawn, will board buses up to 20 minutes later than normal for Hicksville. At Hicksville, customers will transfer for train service west.

The 11:37 AM train from Port Jefferson to Hicksville will originate instead at Huntington at its regular time. Customers for this train at stations Port Jefferson through Greenlawn will board buses up to 20 minutes later than normal for Hicksville. At Hicksville, customers will transfer for train service west.

Customers should anticipate arriving at their destinations up to 60 minutes later than normal.

Thursday, April 28, 2011

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The 10:05 AM and 1:05 PM eastbound trains from Hicksville will terminate in Huntington and customers will transfer to buses to complete their trips. The 11:51 AM train from Huntington to Port Jefferson, will be replaced with bus service.

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The Sperry Rail Car, which will be performing the specialized track inspection, is a bright yellow vehicle fitted with ultrasonic and induction test equipment, and it's 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.

Customers should pick up a copy of the special track work timetable at Port Jefferson Branch stations or at western LIRR terminals. For additional information, customers can 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. Customers can also consult the LIRR's website at www.mta.info.

