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### Special Traffic Advisory: Reminder Weekend-Long Tube Closure At Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel Fri., Nov. 18th At 10 PM Through Mon., Nov. 21st At 5 AM

#### *Two Way Traffic Will Be Maintained In Remaining Tube; One Lane In Each Direction*

One tube (2 lanes) at the Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel will be closed throughout the weekend as part of the \$43.5 million project to replace 1950s-era electrical switches and feeder cables. Two-way traffic will be maintained in the open tube, with one lane in each direction.

The closure will take place from **10 p.m. on Friday through 5 a.m. on Monday**. Motorists are advised to expect delays and use an alternate route.

The next weekend-long tube closure will be **Fri., Dec. 2nd at 10 p.m. through to Mon., Dec. 5th at 5 a.m.**

The work will require a total of 21 weekend-long tube closures spread out from November 2011 through December 2012. The closures **will not** be consecutive, but will occur in a series of phases.

The project will replace the tunnel's entire 1950's switchgear and associated electrical feeders. This equipment provides the necessary electrical power to energize the tunnels ventilation, lighting, drainage, communication and other vital systems which are necessary for the continued safe operation of the facility.