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LIRR ANTICIPATES NEAR-NORMAL AM RUSH SERVICE ON SIX BRANCHES; SOME CANCELLATIONS ARE EXPECTED

***AM Peak Service Expected on Babylon, Huntington, Ronkonkoma, Port Washington (half-hourly service west of Great Neck), Hempstead, & West Hempstead Branches
Service remains suspended on the Oyster Bay, Port Jefferson, Long Beach and Far Rockaway branches and east of Babylon and east of Ronkonkoma***

In the aftermath of Hurricane Irene, MTA Long Island Rail Road is restoring near-normal service for Monday morning's rush hour on six of its branches. The AM rush service is being restored on four of the largest branches –Babylon, Huntington, Ronkonkoma and Port Washington (half-hourly service west of Great Neck) as well as on the Hempstead and West Hempstead branches. Customers are advised to expect some cancellations and some trains operating with fewer than normal complement of cars.

Service remains suspended on the Oyster Bay, Port Jefferson, Long Beach and Far Rockaway branches. Service also remains suspended east of Babylon on the Montauk Branch and east of Ronkonkoma.

Hundreds of LIRR employees are continuing to work around-the-clock to clear the tracks and restore signals and/or power on the branches or portion of branches where service remains suspended.

For the latest information on LIRR train service, customers should go to www.mta.info, monitor LIRR E-mail service alerts or monitor media and traffic reports. 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.