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More Trains on the L Line

98 Weekly Round Trips Added will Ease Overcrowding and Decrease Wait Times

MTA New York City Transit announced today the addition of 98 weekly round trips on the L Line. An additional sixteen round trips will be added each weekday, eleven round trips on Saturday, and seven round trips on Sunday. The service increase will begin on Sunday.

"This is a perfect example of how our commitment of capital dollars to improve our signal system directly impacts the safety and quality of our service," said MTA NYCT President Thomas F. Prendergast. "As a result of fully integrating Communications-Based Train Control on the L line, customers will have the added benefit of more trains that will help to ease overcrowding on a line that serves continuously growing populations in Brooklyn."

Communications-Based Train Control, or CBTC, provides the ability to run additional trains each hour. As an example, as a result of the added service:

- Customers during the a.m. rush hour can expect a train every three minutes, up from every 3 ½ minutes;
- Weekday customers traveling midday can expect a train every six minutes, up from every 7 ½ minutes;
- Saturday evening customers can expect a train every six minutes, up from every 7 ½ minutes; and
- Sunday evening customers can expect a train every six minutes, up from every 8 ½ minutes.

To ensure that subway schedules accurately match rider demand, schedules are regularly reviewed, evaluated, and revised accordingly to provide customers with the most efficient and effective service possible. NYCT will continue to monitor service along the L line to make sure it performs to expectations with the added service. Implementation of the added service will cost \$1.7 million annually.