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LIRR Operating Diesel Trains for All Huntington / Port Jefferson Branch Service

Seven Electric Trains Will Terminate at Hicksville; Westbound Service Suspended Between Port Jefferson and Hicksville

MTA Long Island Rail Road will operate diesel service only on the Huntington / Port Jefferson Branch for this evening's rush hour service. All electric train service on the branch will terminate at Hicksville. The seven regularly scheduled diesel trains will make local stops from Hicksville through Port Jefferson.

As a result, six electric eastbound trains will be canceled, and seven will be terminated at Hicksville. Westbound train service between Port Jefferson and Hicksville will be suspended during the PM Peak service.

We apologize for the inconvenience; however snow and ice accumulations over the electrified third rail prevent the safe operation of electric service.

LIRR crews will be working after the PM rush hour tonight to clear snow and ice from the third rail between Hicksville and Huntington and clear the Right of Way to Port Jefferson.

The LIRR's goal is to provide normal AM service on the Huntington/Port Jeff line as well as on our other branches. We are monitoring overnight snowfalls and conditions closely across the LIRR system.

We experienced greater than anticipated accumulations on the Huntington/Port Jeff branch which lead to suspension of service in that area for much of the day.