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Latest Round of Bus Service Improvements Starts Sunday, June 29

MTA New York City Transit and MTA Bus Company will improve bus service throughout New York City by adding and extending service on multiple bus routes beginning Sunday, June 29. These changes will restore routes and improve connections throughout the MTA's surface transportation network, making travel easier for more than 2.5 million daily bus riders. These changes include restoring some services that were reduced or eliminated during 2010's budget cuts, as well as new expansions to better serve customers and neighborhoods across the city.

"Restoring earlier service cuts while at the same time extending service along several routes is great news for us to share," said New York City Transit President Carmen Bianco. "These enhancements were all a result of listening to our customers and keeping close watch on changing ridership trends."

The MTA is continuously working with communities in order to develop new services to address transit needs in growing and changing neighborhoods. On Sunday June 29, the following service improvements and enhancements will be implemented:

B8, B37, B70

As part of the 2013 Service Investments, both new and improved service will be implemented along three routes serving customers in Brooklyn.

- **B8** service will operate between the Brooklyn Veterans Administration Hospital and the Bay Ridge-95 St R station at all times.
- **B37** service will run along 3rd Avenue between Bay Ridge and Atlantic Avenue-Barclays Center Station.
- **B70** service will be rerouted between 92nd Street / 7th Avenue and Bay Ridge Avenue / 8th Avenue.

Bx23

In response to community requests for a one-seat ride throughout Co-op City, the **Bx23** route is being adjusted to provide one-bus service to all five sections of Co-op City, at all times. This change discontinues the current weekday peak period shuttle trips. **Bx23** customers will now have direct bus service between the Pelham Bay Park 6 Station and all five sections of Co-op City, seven days a week. This change is one of the recommendations of a study of bus service and performance in Co-op City prepared by MTA Bus and NYCT.

Bx28

As part of our on-going efforts to make bus service more accessible to customers in Co-Op City, the Bx28 will be rerouted to use the Asch Loop around Bartow Mall. Overnight Bx28 service will not change.

Q19

The Q19 will be extended west from its current western terminus on Astoria Boulevard at 21st Street to the East River waterfront on 27th Avenue at 2nd Street. This change offers service along the full length of Astoria Boulevard, improving transit access between eastern and western Queens, and provides additional transit options to the growing areas of western Astoria.

Q102

To provide faster, more reliable service, the Q102 in Astoria will be adjusted to remain on 30th Avenue between Crescent Street and 8th Street. The bus stops on Crescent Street, Newtown Avenue and Astoria Blvd will be relocated to 30 Avenue. All bus stops along Astoria Blvd will be served by the **Q19** instead, with connections to the NQ at the Astoria-Ditmars Blvd subway station.

Q50

A bus stop will be added on Co-op City Boulevard at Dreiser Loop to improve customer access to this busy section of Co-op City. This change is one of the recommendations of a study of bus service and performance in Co-op City prepared by MTA Bus and NYCT.

Q103

To meet the requirements of a rapidly growing area with lots of residential construction, Q103 service will now operate on Saturdays and Sundays, and operate later on weekday evenings. Service currently operates weekday daytimes and early evenings only. With this change we are able to respond to requests for increased transit service in the growing areas of western Queens along the waterfront including Hunters Point, the Noguchi Museum, and Socrates Sculpture Park. The Q103 connects to the Vernon Boulevard-Jackson Avenue 7 train station and the 21St-Queensbridge F train station.

M100

As part of the 2013 Service Investments, the M100 will be rerouted in Inwood via Dyckman Street and 10th Avenue. This reroute will serve the Dyckman Street commercial corridor as well as residences and schools along 10th Avenue.

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