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### Upcoming 2014 Bus Service Improvements Include New Routes, Extensions

#### *\$4.9 Million in Enhancements Planned for Routes in All Five New York City Boroughs*

Starting on Sunday, August 31, bus customers will see service enhancements that include new routes, extensions and stops throughout New York City, such as the new M12 route on the Far West Side to meet a demand for public transportation in an area of Manhattan that has experienced significant residential and commercial growth.

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) works with communities to provide affordable public transportation options to neighborhoods with growing transit needs. The extension of the Bx24 to the Hutchinson Metro Center in the Bronx is an example of how New York City Transit (NYCT) works with residents, businesses and elected officials to address a need as well as to increase service on a route with potential ridership growth.

Other changes, such as moving bus stops in the densely populated neighborhood of Flushing, Queens, were made at the request of the community to help alleviate congestion and make commutes easier for customers.

“New York City changes all the time, and we must keep up by making accommodations and adding service when the need arises,” said NYCT President Carmen Bianco. “We are committed to improving reliability and service for our customers in all five boroughs.”

The \$4.9 million in service enhancements are:

#### **B13, B83, Q8 extensions**

All three routes will be extended to a new bus terminal at Gateway Center II (Gateway Center North) in the Spring Creek area of Brooklyn.

#### **Bx24 extension**

The route will be extended from Westchester Square to the end of Marconi Street by the 911 Call Center in the Hutchinson Metro Center. The extension adds four eastbound stops and four westbound at the Metro Center.

#### **M12**

The new service will accommodate customers along 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Avenues between Abington Square in the West Village and Columbus Circle, an area that has been developing rapidly. The northern terminal will be on West 58<sup>th</sup> Street at Broadway. The southern terminal will be on Eighth Avenue at Jane Street.

#### **Q17, Q27 terminal relocations**

The terminals for both routes in downtown Flushing will be relocated from Main Street between 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Roosevelt Avenue to 138<sup>th</sup> Street between 39<sup>th</sup> and 37<sup>th</sup> Avenues.

#### **Q113 Local becomes Q114 Limited**

The Q113 local route will be restructured as the Q114 Limited to provide faster service to customers traveling a long distance along Guy R. Brewer Boulevard in South Jamaica and Rochdale Village. The new Q114 route will make limited stops on the Boulevard, then all local stops along Brookville Boulevard and through Woodmere, Cedarhurst, Inwood, Lawrence and Far Rockaway. During overnight hours, it will make all local stops along Guy R. Brewer Boulevard. The Q113 Limited will continue its limited-stop service from Jamaica through Far Rockaway, and the Q111 will continue to make all local stops from Jamaica through Rosedale.

#### **S93 service additions (begins on Sept. 2)**

Midday and evening service will be added to the limited-stop route that travels between Bay Ridge in Brooklyn and the College of Staten Island. Buses will run between 5:45 a.m. and 10 p.m.

#### **X21 Super Express (service begins on Sept. 2)**

The Super Express concept is coming to Eltingville in Staten Island via the X21, which will travel to Midtown Manhattan along 42<sup>nd</sup> Street. It will operate during morning and evening peak hours, making a limited number of stops and offering a faster commute for many customers of existing Staten Island express buses. The terminal in Manhattan will be located on East 41 Street and First Avenue. The Staten Island terminal will be located in the Hylan Boulevard bus loop on Richmond Avenue.

