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Buses to Substitute for Select Upper Harlem Line Trains from Monday Evening, August 6, Through Friday, August 10

MTA Metro-North Railroad advises customers that buses will substitute for weekday upper Harlem Line connecting trains from the evening of Monday, August 6, through Friday, August 10. Diesel thru-train service that operates between this segment of the Harlem Line and Grand Central will not be affected.

This service change is in effect so that crews can make locomotive repairs, perform track maintenance work and make infrastructure improvements to the railroad line. The railroad will put its specialized Sperry Rail car into action on the section of track between Southeast and Wassaic; this high-tech piece of equipment detects defects and metal fatigue inside the steel rails, inspecting them with ultrasonic and induction test equipment. Metro-North crews will also weld track, cut brush and install signal cables.

To accommodate this work, from the evening of Monday, August 6, through Friday, August 10, buses will substitute for train service between Southeast and Wassaic on the Harlem Line. Buses will operate 20-40 minutes **earlier** than scheduled trains.

Service details are below:

Southbound:

From Tuesday through Friday, starting with the 8:28 a.m. train from Wassaic, and continuing for the remainder of the day, buses will substitute for train service from Wassaic to Southeast, making all scheduled stops at the following stations: Tenmile River, Dover Plains, Harlem Valley-Wingdale, Pawling and Patterson. Bus service will operate 20-40 minutes **earlier** than normally scheduled train times. On Monday, the changes begin at approximately 8:30 p.m.

Buses will connect with regularly scheduled trains at Southeast for continuing service to Grand Central Terminal.

For a detailed bus service schedule, customers may visit: http://web.mta.info/mnr/pdf/080318_WassaicBus.pdf

Northbound:

Between 7:40 a.m.-3:30 p.m., and for all trains operating after 8:25 p.m., buses will substitute for train service from Southeast to Wassaic. Buses will make all scheduled stops at the following stations: Patterson, Pawling, Harlem Valley-Wingdale, Dover Plains, Tenmile River and Wassaic. Customers should allow for later arrival times.

For a detailed bus service schedule, customers may visit: http://web.mta.info/mnr/pdf/080318_WassaicBus.pdf

Many Channels for Service Updates

Information about the planned service change noted in this press release, and all planned service changes, is available through Metro-North Railroad's real-time service information sources:

MTA.info – The rail tab of the “Service Status” box at new.MTA.info is always the definitive source for the latest status for each line, updated every minute. In addition, customers can visit www.mta.info/mnr to see special service notices in the upper center of the page.

Email and text message service updates – Customers are urged to sign up to receive the alerts by visiting MyMTAAalerts.com. To avoid unwanted messages, a user can tailor the messages to the specific branch, and the specific times of day.

@MetroNorth on Twitter – Twitter users can follow @MetroNorth to receive updates of a similar nature to the email and text alerts, shortened to fit Twitter's format.

The above communications channels can be accessed while at home or on the go. For customers who are located at stations, Metro-North will post the latest service updates on digital signs at station platforms and will make audio announcements over public address systems, and on-board announcements made by train crews.

For those who prefer the telephone, information is available from the Metro-North's Customer Service Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and saying: “Metro-North Railroad.” For customers calling from Connecticut, the number is: 877-690-5114. Those who are deaf or hard

of hearing can use their preferred service provider for the free 711 relay to reach Metro-North at 511.