



Dannel P. Malloy

GOVERNOR
STATE OF CONNECTICUT

October 11, 2013

Mr. Kevin Burke
President and Chief Executive Officer
Consolidated Edison Corporation
4 Irving Place
New York, NY 10003

Dear Mr. Burke:

On behalf of the 125,000 daily riders of the New Haven Line, I am writing to express serious concern about the ongoing vulnerability of the electric substation in Mt. Vernon which was the cause of the major service disruption beginning on September 25. The repair to the failed feeder cable has still not been completed. When I met with Con Ed and MTA leadership on September 26, I was informed that these repairs typically take two to three weeks. I understand that the current estimate for completing the repair is not until October 22, almost a month after the cable failed. This corridor is too critical to our economy to have this repair delayed any longer. I urge you to apply all possible resources and scheduling techniques to complete this project much sooner than October 22.

I also ask for your commitment to reimburse MTA and Connecticut for the costs associated with this service outage, including service expenses, lost revenue and customer refunds. These costs should obviously not be passed on the very taxpayers who sustained the loss of service and lack of mobility caused by the outage.

The importance of this line to our local economy cannot be understated. By conservative estimates, the recent disruption caused a loss of \$62 million to my state's economy. Another disruption will only amplify that cost. It is in the long term interest of our region to have a safe and reliable New Haven Line.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dannel P. Malloy".

Dannel P. Malloy
Governor