

Environment & Sanitation Committee

**RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING UTILITY RATE REDUCTIONS DURING
CONSTRUCTION OF THE M29 TRANSMISSION LINE**

WHEREAS, Consolidated Edison will construct its M29 transmission line along a 2.7-mile route through the major thoroughfares of Community Board No. 8 beginning at West 263rd Street and Riverdale Avenue, then running south along Riverdale Avenue to West 230th Street, then east along West 230th Street to Broadway, and south along Broadway to the Harlem river; and

WHEREAS, One hundred and forty-five businesses, twenty apartment buildings and sixty-five private homes in Community Board No. 8 will be directly affected by this project, in addition to thousands of other residents in the surrounding community that also will suffer adverse impacts during the construction period, which is expected to last for as long as 1.5 years; and

WHEREAS, The construction will adversely affect the business community due to the loss of curb-side parking for customers and for the receipt/delivery of goods and services, and the likelihood of fewer walk-in customers, noise, dust and utility service interruptions; and

WHEREAS, The construction will adversely affect the residential community due to the difficulty in reaching local businesses, the loss of on-street parking, increased traffic congestion, rerouting of seven major bus lines, noise, dust and utility service interruptions; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That Community Board No. 8, Bronx, calls upon the New York State Public Service Commission to grant residential and business customers who are directly along the Bronx portion of the M29 transmission route utility rate reductions during the period of construction of the M29 transmission line in Community Board No. 8.

VOTE: 3 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

In Favor – B. Trebach, S. Scheinbach, L. Spalter

Opposed -

Abstentions -