

## Con Edison Salutes New York City Envirothon 2002 Champions

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NEW YORK - Consolidated Edison, Inc. (Con Edison) today joined a ceremony at the Department of Parks and Recreation Arsenal Gallery honoring the winners of the New York City Envirothon 2002. Fort Wadsworth hosted the event last month at the National Park Service Gateway National Recreation Area in Staten Island. The competition tests New York City high school students on environmental fields, including aquatics, forestry, biodiversity and introduced species, soils/geology and wildlife.

This is the fourth year that Con Edison sponsored the Envirothon, which is organized by the New York City Soil and Water Conservation District.

"It is a pleasure to salute the winners of the Envirothon 2002 today," said Randolph S. Price, Con Edison's vice president of Environmental, Health and Safety. "More than a day of presentations and multiple-choice tests, the Envirothon is a source of inspiration for students to bring their environmental knowledge and skills into their communities, where they engage in recycling programs, restoration of natural ecology and protection of animal resources. This is a great start for the environmental leaders of the future."

He added, "On behalf of Con Edison I wish the winners of the New York City Envirothon 2002 great success in the state competition."

Also in attendance at the award ceremony were Christopher O. Ward, New York City Department of Environmental Protection commissioner; Adrian Benepe, New York City Parks and Recreation Department commissioner; and Eugenia Flatow, New York City Soil and Water District chair.

The city champions -- Bronx High School of Science, Brooklyn Technical High School, Staten Island Technical High School and Archbishop Malloy High School in Queens -- will compete in the State Envirothon on May 29 through May 30.

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