

## Con Edison Continues Power Restoration in the Aftermath of Hurricane Isabel

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NEW YORK, Sept. 19 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Con Edison crews continue to restore electric power to customers whose service was interrupted from Hurricane Isabel. Fallen trees and branches accounted for nearly 29,000 customers losing power last night and today. As of 4 p.m. today, power was returned to more than 27,000.

Con Edison mobilized more than 400 crews, including 26 brought in from New England, to repair the damage to its electric system. Tree-trimming crews are assisting in the removal of fallen debris to provide safe clearance for workers to restore service as quickly as conditions allow.

Early mobilization of materials, equipment and personnel enabled the company to react quickly to power outages. Additional customer service representatives were brought in to handle incoming calls about storm-related problems. Customers should call 1-800-75-CONED to report any power outages.

Throughout the storm, Con Edison remained in close contact with the New York City Office of Emergency Management and the Westchester County Office of Emergency Services to coordinate storm preparation efforts.

Con Edison is a subsidiary of Consolidated Edison, Inc. (NYSE: ED), one of the nation's largest investor-owned energy companies, with \$9 billion in annual revenues and approximately \$19 billion in assets. The utility provides electric, gas and steam service to more than 3 million customers in New York City and Westchester County, New York. For additional financial, operations and customer service information, visit Con Edison's Web site at www.coned.com.

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