FORM 4

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Instruction 1(b)

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| | | | or Section 30(n) of the investment Company Act of 1940 | | | | | |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MCGRATH EUGENE R | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CONSOLIDATED EDISON INC [ED] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| | | | — | X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) CONSOLIDATED EDISON, INC. C/O SECRETARY 4 IRVING PLACE; ROOM 1618-S | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/10/2003 | Chairman & CEO | | | | |
| (Street) NEW YORK | NY | 10003 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | — | Person | | | | |

| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|---|---|--------|---------------|---------|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (man. 4) | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/10/2003 | | M | | 70,000 | A | \$31.5 | 337,423.4744 | D | | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/10/2003 | | S | | 70,000 | D | \$40.04 | 267,423.4744 | D | | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 9,935.1953 | I | TRASOP ⁽¹⁾ | | | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 3. Transaction Date 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 1. Title of Derivative 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date 8. Price of Derivative 9. Number of derivative 10. Ownership 11. Nature of Indirect 2. Conversion Transaction Derivative Security (Month/Day/Year) Security (Instr. 5) or Exercise Code (Instr. (Month/Dav/Year) Securities Form: **Beneficial** (Instr. 3) Beneficially Direct (D) Securities Derivative (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 4) Acquired Owned or Indirect (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. Security Following (I) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 4) Amount or Number Expiration of Shares (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Code Stock Option Commor 09/10/2003 70,000 (2) \$31.5 70.000 02/24/2000 02/24/2007 D (right to М 0 buy) (1997)

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Based on plan statement as of August 29, 2003.
- 2. Exercise of stock option, column 8 left blank

Remarks:

Eugene R. McGrath

09/11/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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