

**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

- Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).
- Form 3 Holdings Reported.
- Form 4 Transactions Reported.

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>MCGRATH EUGENE R</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>CONSOLIDATED EDISON, INC. C/O SECRETARY</u> <u>4 IRVING PLACE, ROOM 1618-S</u>  (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10003</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CONSOLIDATED EDISON INC [ ED ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/31/2008</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting 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)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock							219,727.73 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock							9,869.34 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Tax Reduction Act Stock Ownership Plan (TRASOP)
Common Stock							7,530	I	By Spouse

**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Includes 9.41, 97.41, 91.52 and 103.96 Deferred Stock Units acquired on March 15, 2008, June 15, 2008, September 15, 2008 and December 15, 2008, respectively, pursuant to the Consolidated Edison, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan's dividend reinvestment provision. As per General Instruction 4(a) to Form 5, Column 5 sets forth the number of securities beneficially owned by the reporting person as of December 31, 2008. As of the filing date of this report, the number of securities beneficially owned by the reporting person is 194,727.73, reflecting certain transactions previously reported on Form 4 filing(s) during the period between December 31, 2008 and the filing date of this report.
- As per General Instruction 4(a) to Form 5, Column 5 sets forth the number of securities beneficially owned by the reporting person as of December 31, 2008. As of the most recent TRASOP statement, the number of securities beneficially owned by the reporting person through the TRASOP is 9868.59.

**Remarks:**

Peter J. Barrett; Attorney-in-Fact 02/17/2009

\*\* 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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