



Con Edison Dedicates Special Team to Northwest Queens Recovery

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NEW YORK, July 29 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- A veteran Con Edison engineer will head the company's Long Island City network recovery team. The team will stabilize and rebuild the area's electrical system and enhance customer outreach.

Katherine Boden, vice president of Manhattan electric operations, will lead the team, which will test and inspect the electric system in Astoria, Sunnyside, Woodside, Long Island City, and Hunters Point. Components of the electrical system in those areas will be evaluated, and repaired or replaced as necessary.

The team will establish two offices -- one in Astoria and another in Sunnyside/Woodside -- to direct engineering, logistics, operations, construction, customer operations, and customer outreach efforts.

With Con Edison for 16 years, Boden had been chief distribution engineer, general manager of substations, and section manager of Brooklyn/Queens electric construction before becoming vice president of Manhattan electric operations. She earned a master's degree in Business Administration from Hofstra University and a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Polytechnic University.

To restore power to customers in northwest Queens, the company has installed miles of cables on the street and dozens of generators to maintain reliable electrical service. One of the team's goals is to place the cables (called shunts) either underground or on poles and to disconnect generators. As generators are disconnected to make permanent repairs, customers may experience brief interruptions to their electrical service.

Con Edison is asking customers in northwest Queens to continue to conserve electricity and asks those who may experience power problems to call 1-800-75-CONED.

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