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OEM ISSUES TRAVEL ADVISORY FOR MONDAY

Monday AM Rush Impacted

Temperatures Remain Below Freezing on Monday and Tuesday

February 9, 2014 — The New York City Office of Emergency Management (OEM) today issued a Travel Advisory for Monday, February 10. The National Weather Service has forecast 1 to 2 inches of snow and accumulation into late Sunday night. The snow will taper off between midnight and 1AM. Temperatures will remain below freezing on Monday and Tuesday. The Department of Sanitation issued a Snow Alert for today at 1PM. OEM encourages New Yorkers to take the following precautions:

For Motorists

- If you must drive a vehicle, monitor weather and traffic reports for the latest road conditions. Use mass transportation whenever possible.
- Use major streets or highways for travel whenever possible as these roadways will be cleared first.
- Drive slowly. Vehicles, including those with 4-wheel drive, take longer to stop on snow and ice than on dry pavement.
- Keep the name and phone number of at least one local towing service in your car in case you break down or become stuck in the snow.
- If you get stuck on the road stay with your car and contact a towing company.

For Pedestrians

- Exercise caution and avoid slippery surfaces; some ice may not be visible.
- Wear layers including a hat, gloves and scarf to stay protected from the cold. And, keep clothes and shoes dry.
- Keep fingertips, earlobes, and noses covered if you go outside.
- Have heightened awareness of cars, particularly when approaching or crossing intersections.

Tips for Staying Warm

Exposure to cold can cause life-threatening health conditions. Avoid serious conditions such as frostbite and hypothermia, by keeping warm.

- Wear a hat, hood, and scarf.
- Wear layers, as they provide better insulation and warmth.
- Keep fingertips, earlobes, and noses covered if you go outside.
- Keep clothing dry; if a layer becomes wet, remove it.