Chicago Transit Authority Operations Division

Service Bulletin

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TO: All Concerned, Rail

SUBJECT: Tracks Out of Service, Ravenswood Route

EFFECTIVE: Friday, May 31, 1991 through Monday, August 5, 1991*

* Every weekend from 2100 hours Friday to 0200 hours Monday, except for June 28 to July 1, 1991, when normal service will be operated.

As part of a track renewal project, the **northbound** and **southbound tracks** between Kimball Terminal and the east end of the ballasted track at Campbell will be out of service. CTA contract inspector, K858, channel 2, will be in charge of the work site. Bus shuttle service will be provided between Kimball and Western stations.

TEMPORARY TERMINAL

Northbound trains will only operate to **Western Station** where passengers will be discharged and directed to shuttle buses.

Southbound trains will originate from **Western Station**. After receiving proper signals, motormen will operate south on the **northbound** track, through the center track, onto the **southbound** track and then normal.

SCHEDULES

Fridays

- Run 421 scheduled to leave Kimball at 2043 hours will be the last southbound through train.
- Run 424 scheduled to arrive Kimball at 2055 hours will be the **last northbound** trough train.
- Run 419 scheduled to arrive Western at 2059 hours will be the **first turn-back train**.

Mondays

- Run 401 scheduled to leave Kimball at 0413 hours will be the first southbound through train.
- Run 401 scheduled to arrive Kimball at 0443 hours will be the first northbound through train.

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BUS SHUTTLE

Shuttle buses will pick up passengers at Kimball-Lawrence (southeast corner) Kedzie-Lawrence, Sacramento-Lawrence and Rockwell-Lawrence, operating to Western-Leland for transfer to southbound trains.

Rail passengers will board shuttle buses without any fare collection. Fares will be required when boarding the train.

For additional information regarding bus shuttle service, see Service Bulletin S275-91.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Northbound conductors</u> when leaving Montrose and Damen stations, and arriving at Western Station: "Due to track construction work, all passengers must transfer to a shuttle bus at Western Avenue to continue your trip to Rockwell, Francisco, Kedzie and Kimball stations."

TEST TRAIN

On Mondays between 0200-0400 hours after traction power has been restored, a test train will operate from Western to Kimball and Kimball to Western before the tracks are returned to service.

Rail service Supervisor, R488, channel 2, will be assigned to this test train.

CONTINGENCY PLAN

Alternative 1:

In the event the contractor can only release one track for scheduled use, put outs will be made from Kimball Terminal to Western via the available track and enter passenger service at Western. Trains will continue to be turned from north to south at Western. Bus shuttle service will be reinstated.

Alternative 2:

In the event both tracks can not be released, the North Rail District Superintendent will make arrangements for:

- All six car operation from Western.
- The movement of all available Ravenswood cars from Wilson to Western for service. These cars (approximately 42) may be stored north of Clark Junction on Tracks 2 and 3 until crews can be dead headed to their trains.
- Transfer eighteen (18) North-South cars into Ravenswood service.
- Transfer eighteen (18) 2600 series West-South cars into Ravenswood service.
- Transfer six (6) Evanston cars into Ravenswood service.
- · Reinstate bus shuttle service.

Evanston trains will make all stops in both directions between Belmont and Chicago Avenue.

SPECIAL NOTICE

- CTA electricians will remove and restore 600 volt traction power on the out of service tracks.
- Power will remain on in Kimball Yard.
- Switchmen will be on duty at Western Center Track.
- Rail supervisor at Western will be responsible for turn-back operations, passenger connections from shuttle buses and trains dispatching.
- All defective cars will be taken to Wilson Shop for repairs. During certain hours a repairman will be at Western making minor repairs as needed.
- Crossing gates will be disabled in the raised position. All movements across any street crossing must be flagged.
- In the event only the northbound track is available for service and there is no flagman at a particular street crossing, conductors will have to flag their trains through the crossings at street level.

Please contact your superintendent if you have any questions.

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