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Mr. Kevin Burke Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Con Edison 4 Irving Place New York, New York 10003

Dear Mr. Burke,

I am hearing from my constituents that they are having trouble getting their insurance companies to cover their claims in the absence of an admission by Con Edison that the power outage led to their losses. In order to assist my constituents, I would like to know who at Con Edison is responding to these concerns.

Con Edison has repeatedly told my office that one reason Con Edison is willing to give only \$7000 to business customers hurt by the power outage, is that the customers are supposed to have insurance to make up the difference. Many businesses do have insurance, but are not able to get their insurance claims filled without Con Edison's cooperation. I believe it is very important for Con Edison to appoint an individual to assist Con Edison customers in receiving the insurance payments to which they are entitled.

Additionally, at the forum for businesses I held yesterday, the question arose as to when the cut-off for claiming reimbursement would be. The individuals present responded that it is 30 days from the date of the event. Since the event ran from July 17 through July 26, 2006, it is hard to know when precisely time runs out. In order to assist me in advising my constituents, can you please let me know when the deadline is up.

I would appreciate it if you would let me know to whom my constituents should be addressing their insurance concerns and when the deadline for filing claims is as soon as possible. Thank you for your prompt attention to these requests.

Very truly yours,

CAROLYN B. MALONEY

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