MINOR CHANGES COMING TO ROCK ISLAND SCHEDULE
Adjustments Being Made To Improve Timeliness and Efficiency

A new Rock Island schedule that seeks to better match train times to actual operating conditions will start on Sunday, June 15, 2014. In some cases, trains will depart earlier than the current schedule, so riders are urged to view the new schedule (attached or online at www.metrarail.com) to familiarize themselves with the changes.

On the weekday inbound schedule, the schedules for 16 trains are being adjusted, with the departure times from certain stops or running times between stations being modified by up to five minutes. In most cases, the schedule changes are being made to better reflect actual operating conditions. The schedules for some trains are also being adjusted to eliminate conflicts with other trains in the Blue Island area.

On the outbound schedule, the schedules of 19 trains are being adjusted. In almost every case, the changes are being made to reflect actual conditions and the changes amount to no more than three minutes earlier or later. Two late evening trains are being adjusted by 7 minutes to reflect heavy passenger loading following Chicago White Sox games.

On weekends, all but the first inbound trains will depart 5 minutes earlier than currently scheduled, and all outbound trains will arrive 5 minutes later at Joliet. This is to reflect actual conditions, adjust where trains pass each other, and accommodate weekend construction work.

The changes are the result of a periodic review of train schedules that Metra performs for each of its lines. Rock Island schedules were last adjusted in 2011.

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