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## **MTA SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTS GREEN LINE NOISE REDUCTION MEASURES**

The MTA has successfully reduced noise levels on approximately one-mile segment of the Metro Green Line, between the Marine and Douglas stations, in the City of Hawthorne.

The noise, which generated several complaints from residents of the Holly Glenn area was reduced six decibels after a rail grinding operation was conducted by the MTA.

"We have achieved a maximum noise level of 72 decibels," said Joe Drew, MTA chief executive officer. "Green Line trains now are more quiet than the normal day-time street noise in the Holly Glen neighborhood."

The MTA began studying noise levels six months ago, when it heard the concerns of the neighbors. Several tests were conducted to determine the best procedure to reduce noise.

"The solution was to shave off the rail to allow better adjustment with the wheel," said Art Leahy, MTA executive officer, operations. "We are happy we were able to find a good solution to this technical problem. Moreover we are especially happy to be able to keep with the MTA goal of being sensitive to our communities and being a good neighbor."

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