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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement CONSOLIDATED EDISON INC [ED] O'Brien James P (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) CONSOLIDATED EDISON, (Check all applicable) INC., 4 IRVING PLACE, ROOM 1618-S 10% Owner Director (Street) _X__ Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) Vice President & Treasurer _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person NEW YORK. NYÂ 10009 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 423.97 D By Tax Reduction Act Stock Common Stock 107.81 I Ownership Plan (TRASOP) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------|--|------------------------|---|--|--|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of Shares | Derivative Security | Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | | |
| Executive Incentive Plan Stock | 01/02/2009 | 01/02/2009 | Common Stock | 624.4 | \$ <u>(1)</u> | D | Â |
| Executive Incentive Plan Stock | 01/02/2010 | 01/02/2010 | Common Stock | 585.62 | \$ <u>(1)</u> | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | 01/20/2008 | 01/20/2015 | Common Stock | 8,000 | \$ 43.72 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | 01/19/2009 | 01/19/2016 | Common Stock | 8,000 | \$ 46.88 | D | Â |
| Performance Restricted Stock Units (2) | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 1,000 (4) | \$ <u>(5)</u> | D | Â |
| Performance Restricted Stock Units (2) | (6) | (6) | Common Stock | 2,200 (4) | \$ <u>(5)</u> | D | Â |
| Performance Restricted Stock Units (2) | (7) | (7) | Common Stock | 3,500 (4) | \$ <u>(5)</u> | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| O'Brien James P CONSOLIDATED EDISON, INC. 4 IRVING PLACE, ROOM 1618-S NEW YORK, NY 10009 | Â | Â | Vice President & Treasurer | Â | | |

Signatures

Peter J. Barrett;
Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Equivalent Stock units (phanton stock) are converted into common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (2) Performance Restricted Stock Units ("PRSUs") granted under the Consolidated Edison, Inc. (the "Company") Long Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). PRSUs are converted into common stock on a 1 for 1 basis.
- (3) The PRSUs will vest in 2009 when the number of PRSUs to be paid out are determined by the Management Development and Compensation Committee (the "Committee") of the Company's Board of Directors.

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- (4) The number of shares (or cash equivalents) will be adjusted based on certain performance criteria, including criteria other than the market price, specified under the Company's Plan.
- (5) Not Applicable
- (6) The PRSUs will vest in 2010 when the number of PRSUs to be paid out are determined by the Committee.
- (7) The PRSUs will vest in 2011 when the number of PRSUs to be paid out are determined by the Committee.

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