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Form 4 May 24, 2005	TED EDISON	INC	5							
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1. Name and Ad MCGRATH	dress of Reporting EUGENE R	 (2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CONSOLIDATED EDISON INC [ED]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	ATED EDISON TARY, 4 IRVII	, INC. (3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2005				X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chairman & CEO			
NEW YORK	(Street) , NY 10003	Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Nor	n-Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
	Transaction Date Ionth/Day/Year)		ate, if Transacti Code	onor Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 a	d of (I))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common 05 Stock 05	5/23/2005		М	100,000 (1)	А	\$ 37.75	342,243.9952	D		
Stock	5/23/2005		S	91,000 (1)	D	\$ 45.648	251,243.9952	D		
Common Stock							9,903.0058	Ι	TRASOP	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	ioiDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
	Derivative Security				Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					Amount
Stock				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy) (2001)	\$ 37.75	05/23/2005		М		100,000	04/19/2004	04/19/2011	Common Stock	200,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MCGRATH EUGENE R CONSOLIDATED EDISON, INC. 4 IRVING PLACE; ROOM 1618-S NEW YORK, NY 10003	C/O SECRETARY	Х		Chairman & CEO			
Signatures							
Peter J. Barrett; Attorney-in-Fact	05/24/2005						

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) I acquired 9,000 shares upon the exercise of stock options for 100,000 shares, 91,000 of which were applied to pay the exercise price of the options and the tax withholding incurred with the option exercise.
- (2) Not Applicable.

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