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January 8, 2015

Honorable Kathleen H. Burgess Secretary New York State Public Service Commission 3 Empire State Plaza, 19th Floor Albany, New York 12223

RE: Case 13-G-0031, Con Edison's Gas Rate Case Filing

Dear Secretary Burgess:

An affidavit and copies of the published notice are attached, affirming that notice was published in the New York Post on December 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2014, regarding Con Edison's rate changes and other tariff changes for Rate Year 2, made pursuant to the three-year Gas Rate Plan in Case 13-G-0031.

Sincerely,

/s/ William A. Atzl, Jr.
Director
Rate Engineering Department

State of New York ss:

being duly sworn, says that he/she is the principal Clerk of the Publisher of the

New York Post

a daily newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the English language, in the County of New York, State of New York; that advertisement hereto annexed has been regularly published in the said "NEW YORK POST" once, on the 9.16,23,30 day of <u>December</u> 2014

Sworn to before me this ______day

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CEOs last 'just 5 vrs.

By CLAIRE ATKINSON

Company executives are acting like politicians looking for short-term success so they can get re-elected — when they should behave as long-term stewards of brands, according to ad boss Martin Sorrell.

The 69-year-old CEO of WPP Group criticized compa-

nies for short-term thinking and focusing more on cutting costs rather than expanding profits.

Sorrell, speaking at the UBS Global Media & Communications Conference on Monday, described a business environment in which a typical chief executive lasts five years, a

chief financial officer for three years and chief marketing officers for two years. "It's unlikely those people

are going to do things for the long term — they're becoming like politicians," Sorrell said. "It's a consistent worry."

The Madison Avenue maven talked up WPP's "agnostic" data capabilities and warned clients against handing their media plans to digital ad platforms owned by Web giants, such as Google's DoubleClick

or Facebook's Atlas.

WPP in September acquired a stake in AppNexus, which competes in the digital ad placement business.

Sorrell also discussed the continued rise of China-based companies, like Alibaba, that are juggernauts in the retail and advertising game.

WPP has an e-commerce

joint venture, called Polestar, that is staffed in part with former Alibaba employees. It hopes to profit alongside the growth of "proximity retailing connected to e-commerce."

Proximity retailing refers to small stores close to homes or of-

Sorrell also got in some digs at his chief rivals, Publicis Groupe and Omnicom Group, which in May abandoned a proposed merger.

The CEO said the proposed hook-up had focused WPP on scaling its digital assets rather than getting bigger in its traditional ad business.

"They have no original data capabilities," he said, referring to the two companies. "Tech and data is giving us meaningful differentiation."

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Hack goes wac

SORRELL

Sony Corp said its PlayStation Network and Sony Entertainment Network had been temporarily disrupted by hackers in a distributed denial-of-service attack on Monday. Last month, Sony Pictures Entertainment was hit by a massive hack that shut down most of the studio's network for more than a week. The group apparently behind the massive breach, Guardians of Peace, posted the following message to various peer-to-peer Web sites on Monday: "Stop immediately showing the movie of terrorism which can break the regional peace and cause the War!" in an apparent reference to "The Interview." Post staff

Uber Brazilian

Ouch, this one could hurt! Uber Technologies, the mobile car-booking company valued at \$40 billion, is operating illegally in Rio de Janeiro and its drivers risk having their cars seized, said the city's transport office.

SMTR, Rio's municipal transport department, said it has filed a complaint with police against Uber and similar companies it says haven't requested licenses for taxi services in the city. A cyber crime unit is investigating the allegations, Rio police said.

Uber said it's working with policy makers on "common sense" regulation. Bloomberg

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6 dead in Ex feared suspect

By SEAN CARLIN and MARY CLAIRE

PENNSBURG, Pa. — A man went to three houses in the Philadelphia suburbs before dawn Mon-

day and fatally shot six people, authorities said, including his recently engaged ex-wife, who had told neighbors feared he she would kill her.

Police swarmed from one community to another as they searched for 35-year-old Bradley William Stone (pictured). As darkness fell, police were surrounding his home in Pennsburg, where he was believed to be holed up. They used a bullhorn and loud explosions to try to compel his surrender.

"Bradley, this is the police department!" officers yelled. "Come to the front door with your hands up. You're under arrest."

The rampage started at ex-wife Nicole Stone's Harleysville apartment, investigators said. Stone broke in through a glass

door at around 4 a.m., firing multiple rounds and fleeing with their two children, the woman's neighbors said.

He then went to two nearby communities,

where her relatives lived, killed five other people and severely wounded another person before apparently holing up in a Pennsburg home, authorities said.

"She would tell anybody who would listen that he was going to kill her, and that she was really afraid for her life," said Evan Weron, a neighbor of Stone's exwife, Nicole Stone.

NY political guru Garth dies at 84

Powerhouse political consultant David Garth, who helped four of the city's mayors get elected, has died at the age of 84.

A longtime friend and colleague, George Arzt, said Garth died Monday at his Manhattan home after a long illness.

The veteran adviser was instrumental in the elections of mayors spanning four decades: John Lindsay in 1965, Ed Koch in 1977, Rudy Giuliani in 1993 and Michael Bloomberg in 2001.

He also worked for governors Hugh Carey in New York, Brendan Byrne in New Jersey and Ella Grasso in Connecticut.

Arzt, who was one of

Koch's former press secretaries, said Garth could make a candidate a serious contender simply by signing up for his campaign.

"In politics, you never mentioned David's name without using the prefix of genius," Arzt recalled.

"He's the only one who every one had confidence in to lead a campaign to victory. He was a great analyzer, a person who had great strategies, knew how to goad the other side into silly statements and, meanwhile, have his own candidate be cool as a cucumber."

A private funeral planned, with a public memorial at a later date.

Aaron Short

Dov nears a 2nd act

American Apparel, the retail chain that ousted its controversial founder last week, said a buyer has expressed interest in acquiring the company for as much as \$1.40 a share, confirming reports that have driven up the stock.

The company also said Monday that Co-chairmen Allan Mayer and David Danziger have stepped down and will be replaced by Colleen B. Brown, who joined the board in August. Mayer and Danziger will remain directors and keep their committee posts, the Los Angelesbased retailer said in a statement.

The takeover interest and board shake-up signal that the company hasn't yet emerged from the upheaval surrounding its split with founder Dov Charney. American Apparel first suspended Charney as chief executive officer in June before ultimately firing him last week. In removing its leader, the board cited allegations of misconduct, including sexual-harassment policy violations and misuse of corpo-

rate funds. Charney's lawyer has called the allegations "baseless."

The acquisition proposal, which was first reported by The Post, sent the shares soaring 45 percent, to \$1, on Dec. 18, the biggest singleday gain in more than five years. The stock rose 6.5 percent, to \$1.14, Monday.

The retailer's board said that it adopted a shareholder rights plan to prevent a person or group from accumulating more than 10 percent of the stock. However, the plan isn't meant to protect against offers for all of the company, the retailer said.

The takeover proposal, which values the company at \$1.30 to \$1.40 a share, is backed by private-equity firm Irving Place Capital and would involve Charney returning to American Apparel in some capacity, a source said.

The board said that while it remains focused on turning the company around, it takes the acquisition proposal seriously and will evaluate it.

Bloomberg

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'Yank' name in trial: DA

By REBECCA ROSENBERG

Yankees General Manager Brian Cashman's former mistress should not be allowed to use his name at her upcoming housing-fraud trial which only came about because she was busted for allegedly stalking him prosecutors argued in court papers.

"There [should] be no mention of Brian Cashman or the defendant's other stalking victims, all of which occurred years after she fraudulently obtained her apartment," assistant district attorney Kenn Kern wrote in court papers filed in Manhattan Supreme Court last week.

Louise Neathway, 37, is set to go on trial as early as Jan. 6 for allegedly falsely claiming that she had sole custody of her daughter and that her exhusband lived in England to score below-market rent on her Tribeca flat.

Her ex, Jason Bump,



LOUISE NEATHWAY "Stalked" Yankees GM.

has sole custody of their 15-year-old upstate.

Authorities uncovered the alleged 2007 housing fraud because of their investigation into Cashman's stalking and exhortation allegations.

In 2012, Neathway was arrested on charges she extorted \$6,000 and attempted to extort \$15,000 from then-married Cashman by threatening to make their affair public.

"I find it very ironic that the very person who created this situation, Brian Cashman, is now being protected," said Neathway attorney Peter Gleason.

Retailer's T-shirts a real steal: designer

An up-and-coming fashion designer from Queens is suing VIM Jeans, claiming the national retailer is illegally selling T-shirts using her trademarked logo.

Vanessa Destin, 25, of Far Rockaway, says in her Brooklyn federal lawsuit that she was stunned to find cheaply printed shirts with her logo — a pair of fangs chomping a wad of money being sold for just \$9.99 apiece at one of the clothing chain's stores.

Destin had lawyers send VIM cease-and-desist letters to get it to stop using her trademarked "Au futur" logo, to no avail.

[•]I did this from the ground up, and I just started getting some recognition. It's really frustrating," Destin said, adding her T-shirts are of higher quality and sell for \$25 each.

"This isn't good for the brand," she said.

Her lawyer, Taso Pardalis, said, "This is a classic case of a big company trying to take advantage of a small designer."

VIM did not respond to a request for comment.

Selim Algar

Locking horns over 'libel'

A man in Ireland is suing Bloomberg Businessweek for \$20 million after it ran a story claiming he was the mastermind behind rhino-horn smuggling ring.

Antiques dealer Richard "Kerry" O'Brien fumes in a Manhattan Supreme Court suit that he was "falsely portraved" in the Jan. 2 article. But a representative for Bloomberg said, "We stand by our reporting." Lia Eustachewich