

Hot Spots: Where Con Ed Found Electrified Metal

In the weeks since an East Village woman died after her dogs stepped on an electrified metal plate in the street, Con Edison has found scores of service-box lids, manhole covers and lampposts with stray current passing through them. Although most of these hot spots involved fairly low voltages, some were strong enough to kill.

Electrified equipment	Lamp-post	Manhole or service-box cover	
Less than 50 volts	▲	●	} <i>Possibly lethal</i>
50 to 99 volts	▲	●	
100 volts and greater	▲	●	

Data based on surveys by Con Edison since Jan. 16. Information for lampposts is through Feb. 3; the rest is through Feb. 4.

Site of electrocution

MANHATTAN
30 Lampposts
53 Service-box or manhole covers

STATEN ISLAND
1 Lamppost

BRONX
25 Lampposts
6 Service-box or manhole covers

QUEENS
34 Lampposts
24 Service-box or manhole covers

