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NEWS RELEASE

ABOUT 17,000 CUSTOMERS REMAIN WITHOUT POWER IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONCORD, N.H. – As of 7:30 a.m. Sunday, about 17,000 customers in New Hampshire remain without power as crews continue working to restore service. Utilities restored power to more than 12,000 customers overnight.

"Some New Hampshire residents may be on their second or third day without power," said Robert Buxton, Director of the New Hampshire Department of Safety's Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. "Neighbors should check in on each other, and if anyone is in need of a warming shelter, they can call 2-1-1 to find one nearby."

Report power outages to your utility provider every 24 hours until it is restored:

Eversource 1-800-662-7764 Liberty Utilities 1-855-349-9455 NH Electric Co-Op 1-800-343-6432 Unitil 1-888-301-7700

Buxton also makes the following safety recommendations:

- Stay informed by signing up for NH Alerts and monitoring National Weather Service radio or broadcast weather reports.
- Drivers should be alert for crews clearing debris and use caution.
- Use flashlights, rather than candles, for emergency lighting.
- Do not use a gas range or oven as an alternate source of heat.
- Only use a generator that has been wired to the building electrical service by a professional electrician.
- Never run a generator inside a building or in an enclosed space and keep them 10 feet away from buildings with the exhaust pointed away.
- Never drive around barriers or remove them from closed roadways.

Learn more about power outage safety at ReadyNH.gov.