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PRESS RELEASE

WINTER STORM AND STRONG WIND GUSTS LEAVE THOUSANDS WITHOUT POWER

CONCORD, N.H. – As of 9:00 PM, approximately 35,000 customers are without power across the state as crews work to clear roads and restore power after a complex winter storm with strong wind gusts moved through the region.

“Crews are assessing damage and addressing power outages as quickly as possible. It may take until Sunday for full restoration across areas of the state,” Director of state Homeland Security and Emergency Management Jennifer Harper said. “We remain in close contact with the Public Utilities Commission in monitoring the progress made by the utility providers and stand ready to assist the affected communities should they have any resource requests.”

Report power outages to your utility provider:

- Eversource1-800-662-7764
- Liberty Utilities.....1-855-349-9455
- NH Electric Co-Op1-800-343-6432
- Unitil1-888-301-7700

Customers without power should continue to call their service providers at least daily until power is restored.

The National Weather Service reports that wind gusts of 30 to 40 mph may continue into the night. Cold temperatures will set in overnight throughout the state causing any remaining moisture to freeze. Temperatures over the weekend will drop and some parts may see wind chills well below zero.

Harper asked that everyone check on friends and neighbors when safe to do so and made the following safety recommendations:

- Visit ReadyNH.gov to learn more about keeping safe during emergencies.
- Signup for NH Alerts, the State’s emergency notification system to receive location-specific safety information. Also, download the app.
- Monitor National Weather Service radio or broadcast weather reports to keep track of changing conditions.
- If you encounter a downed power line, stay away and call 9-1-1.

Office: 110 Smokey Bear Boulevard, Concord, N.H.
Mailing Address: 33 Hazen Drive, Concord, N.H. 03305
603-271-2231, 1-800-852-3792, Fax 603-223-3609
State of New Hampshire TDD Access: Relay 1-800-735-2964

- Drivers are reminded to use extra caution, go slow and be alert for crews clearing debris and treating the roads.
- 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 house electrical service by a professional electrician.
- Never run a generator inside a building or in an enclosed space.

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