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### **NEWS RELEASE**

#### FEWER THAN 8,000 REMAIN WITHOUT POWER IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

State Emergency Operations Center returns to Steady State

CONCORD, N.H. – As of noon Sunday, fewer than 8,000 customers in New Hampshire remain without power as crews continue working to restore service. The State Emergency Operations Center returned to Steady State at noon Sunday.

"Some Granite Staters may be on their third day without power," said Robert Buxton, Director of the New Hampshire Department of Safety's Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. "It's important for neighbors to check in on each other, especially the elderly. If you are still without power, continue to practice power outage safety. Never run a generator indoors."

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 house 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.

Learn more about power outage safety at ReadyNH.gov.