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NEWS RELEASE

THOUSANDS REMAIN WITHOUT POWER AS CREWS WORK ON RESTORATION

CONCORD, N.H. – As of 7 p.m., more than 64,000 customers remain without power across New Hampshire as utility crews work to restore service.

The Department of Safety's Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) urges residents and visitors to use caution when driving.

"Never drive around or move road closures as you can put yourself and others in danger," said HSEM Director Robert Buxton. "If your area is still without power, make sure to check in on neighbors, especially the elderly and those who may be vulnerable."

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

The State Emergency Operations Center will remain at a partial activation throughout the night in response to the storm.

Director Buxton 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 use extra caution, go slow and be alert for crews clearing debris.
- Use flashlights, rather than candles, for emergency lighting.
- Do not use a gas range or oven as an alternate source of heat.
- 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.
- Keep refrigerator and freezer doors closed when you lose power. An unopened refrigerator
 will keep cold for 4 hours and a full freezer will keep the temperature for about 48 hours. For
 food safety tips visit USDA.gov.

Learn more about power outage safety at ReadyNH.gov.