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NEWS RELEASE

STORM KNOCKS OUT POWER TO THOUSANDS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONCORD, N.H. – As of 8 a.m., more than 22,000 customers are without power across New Hampshire as a winter storm brings heavy snow and rain to the region. The storm also could produce wind gusts of up to 55 mph.

“As power outages start to climb, keep you and your family safe,” said Robert Buxton, Director of the New Hampshire Department of Safety’s Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. “Never run a generator indoors. If you come across downed wires, stay away and call 9-1-1.”

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 makes the following safety recommendations:

- Stay informed by signing up for NH Alerts and monitoring National Weather Service radio or broadcast weather reports.
- 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.

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